

2017

UPLAND GAME BIRDS

Montana Hunting Regulations



*Montana Fish,
Wildlife & Parks*



Sharptail grouse. *Tympanuchus phasianellus* | Photo by Jaime & Lisa Johnson

Apply for General Licenses and Special Licenses Online: fwp.mt.gov

Regulations Adopted by F&W Commission

These regulations and final quotas were adopted under the authority granted to the Fish & Wildlife Commission (F&W Commission) per MCA, Section 87-1-301 and are valid March 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018. These regulations were adopted by the F&W Commission on Feb 10, 2017. Final bag limits and quotas were adopted by the F&W Commission on June 7, 2017. Martha Williams, Director.

State and Federal laws, Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, age, religion, national origin, or disability. Anyone believing he or she has been discriminated against (as described above) in any Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) program, activity, or facility may write to FWP Human Resources, 1420 East Sixth Avenue, PO Box 200701, Helena, MT 59620-0701 or the office of Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240.

License Chart		
License	Cost/Stipulation(s)	
	Resident	Nonresident
Base Hunting License	\$10	\$15
	Fee charged annually at the time the hunter purchases his/her first hunting license for the current license year.	
Conservation	\$8	\$10
	Required prerequisite	
Upland Game Bird	\$7.50 Ages 18 - 61	\$110 Ages 18 and over
	\$3.75 Youth ages 12-17*, Senior (62+) or Disabled	\$55 Youth ages 12-17*
Resident Flathead Reservation Use Permit	A valid "Resident of the Flathead Reservation Use Permit" with a valid Flathead Reservation Bird Stamp will be honored by the state wherever hunting for upland or migratory game birds is lawful in Montana. Check with Flathead Reservation at 406-675-2700 ext 7200 for details.	
Turkey	\$6.50 Residents must have an upland game bird license to purchase a Turkey License.	\$57.50 with an Upland Game Bird License OR \$115 without an Upland Game Bird License.
3-day Upland Game Bird License		\$50 3-day license for non-residents. The license is not valid for sage grouse at any time or for ring-neck pheasants during the opening week of the season.
3-day Shooting Preserve License		\$20 Alternative to an Upland Game Bird License for non-residents who wish to hunt only on Shooting Preserves (Private) .
* Some 10 and 11 year olds are also eligible. See Youth Hunting Opportunities for license requirements.		

Reminders

Reminders –

- Turkey regulations are now only in the "Spring & Fall Turkey Regulations".
- Youth Only Special Pheasant Weekend statewide is September 23-24, 2017.
- Nonresident 3-day upland game bird license - see License Chart for details.

Licensing – Residency

It is illegal to swear to or to affirm a false statement in order to obtain an original or duplicate resident hunting and/or fishing license OR to assist an unqualified applicant in obtaining a resident license.

Resident –

- To be a legal Montana resident and eligible to purchase any Montana resident fishing, hunting, and trapping licenses, as per MCA 87-2-102, you must:
 - claim Montana as your principal or primary home or place of abode.
 - have been physically living in Montana for at least 180 consecutive days immediately prior to purchasing a resident license;
 - register your vehicle(s) in Montana;
 - be registered to vote in Montana if you're registered to vote at all;
 - not possess current (or have applied for any) resident hunting, fishing, or trapping privileges in another state or country;
 - file Montana state income tax returns as a resident, if you are required to file.
- Once you have established your residency, you must continue to meet all these requirements and physically reside in Montana as your principal or primary place of abode for not less than 120 days per year (days need not be consecutive).
- To purchase an annual resident conservation license you will be required to show a valid Montana Driver's License (MDL) or a valid Montana Identification Card (MIC) or a valid Tribal Identification Card.
- If your MDL or MIC has been issued for less than six months, you may be required to show additional proof of residency. An out-of-state driver's license is NOT an acceptable form of ID for resident license purchases. Contact your local FWP office for specifics.
- A person is NOT considered a resident for the purposes of this section if the person claims residence in any other state or country for any purpose.

Licensing – Hunter Education Requirements

If you were born after January 1, 1985, you are required to show proof of completing a Montana hunter safety and education course (or an approved hunter safety course from any other state or province) prior to applying for or purchasing a hunting license.

Licensing – General Information & Procedures

- Licenses are available at all Fish, Wildlife & Parks offices, license providers throughout the state and online at <http://fwp.mt.gov>. The license is valid March 1 through February 28th of the following year.
- License applications are available online. Hunters may apply for a turkey special license online at <http://fwp.mt.gov>. The hunter also has the option of applying by the deadline of

March 2 for Spring Turkey licenses or July 27 for Fall Turkey licenses at any FWP office or by submitting an application as specified in the Turkey regulations. See the 2017 Spring & Fall Turkey Regulations for details.

Licensing – Youth Hunting Opportunities

A resident or nonresident **youth 12 years of age or older** may hunt any game species for which their license is valid. Those who will reach 12 years of age by January 16, 2018 may hunt any game species, for which their license is valid, after August 15 of the 2017 license year. Proof of hunter education must be presented at the time of purchase.

An **Apprentice Hunter** is a resident or nonresident, 10-17 years of age, certified at an FWP office. This allows the youth to hunt some species, while accompanied by a mentor, without first completing a hunter education course. The Apprentice Hunter may not purchase a mountain lion, black bear or wolf license or apply for a bighorn sheep license or a hunting license or permit with a limited quota. The Apprentice Hunter may not purchase an elk license if he/she is under 15 years of age. Other restrictions apply. See our website for details:

<http://fwp.mt.gov/hunting/licenses/all/apprenticeHunter/default.html>

Youth Only – Special Pheasant Weekend

September 23-24, 2017 – Statewide

The F&W Commission is allowing two additional days to provide a special hunting opportunity to encourage youth participation in pheasant hunting. Legally licensed youth ages 15 and under may hunt pheasants statewide on these days. A non-hunting adult at least 18 years of age must accompany the youth hunter in the field. Mentors for Apprentice Hunters must be at least 21 years of age. The bag limit, shooting hours, hunter safety requirements and all other regulations that apply to the regular pheasant season shall apply to this special season.

Hunters with a Disability

If you or someone you know has a disability and/or is aging, and is in need of assistive technology (AT) or adaptive equipment to help you participate in outdoor recreation, please contact:



MonTech at the University of Montana Rural Institute,
52 Corbin Hall,
Missoula, MT 59803
(406) 243-5751

<http://montech.ruralinstitute.utm.edu/>

Species-Specific Hunting Regulations

-- Falconry Season --

Means of Taking: All areas open to hunting of upland game birds and/or migratory game birds by firearms shall be open to either-sex hunting of that species by falconry.

Falconry Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset (see page 7). Year round sunrise/sunset tables are available on the FWP website.

Falconry Season - (except Turkey)

- Sep 01 - Mar 31 - Bag Limit: 2 daily in aggregate and 6 in possession. Bag and possession limits are not in addition to general limits.

2017 Upland Game Birds

-- Mountain Grouse Season --

Means of taking: Blue, Ruffed and Franklin's Grouse may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge; a long, recurve or compound bow and arrow; a crossbow; or a firearm. All other means of taking are prohibited.

Mountain Grouse -

- Sep 01 - Jan 01 - Bag Limit: 3 in aggregate daily. Possession limit is four times the daily bag limit.

-- Partridge Season --

Means of taking: Hungarian and Chukar Partridge may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge; a long, recurve or compound bow and arrow. All other means of taking are prohibited.

Note: Chukar partridge occur primarily in Carbon County.

Partridge -

- Sep 01 - Jan 01 - Bag Limit: 8 in aggregate daily. Possession limit is four times the daily bag limit.
- Sep 01 - Jan 10 - Portion of Carbon County as described below. Bag Limit: 8 in aggregate daily. Possession limit is four times the daily bag limit.

Portion of Carbon County within the following described boundary:

Beginning at the junction of Route 72 and the Wyoming-Montana state line, then northerly along said route to Bridger, then northerly along Hwy. 310 to Edgar, then east on the Edgar-Pryor Road to the Crow Indian Reservation boundary, then southerly and easterly along said boundary to the west shore of Big Horn Lake, then southerly along said shore to the Wyoming-Montana state line, then west along said state line to its junction with Route 72, the point of beginning.

-- Ptarmigan Season Closed --

-- Ring-necked Pheasant Season --

Means of taking: Pheasants may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge; a long, recurve or compound bow and arrow. All other means of taking are prohibited.

Transporting Pheasants: It is unlawful to possess or transport within the state any pheasant unless one leg and foot are left naturally attached for evidence of sex. They shall remain attached until they arrive at the permanent residence of the possessor.

Ring-necked Pheasant -

- Sep 23 - Sep 24 - Legally licensed youth ages 15 and under when accompanied by a nonhunting adult at least 18 years of age. Mentors for Apprentice Hunters must be at least 21 years of age. Bag Limit: 3 cock pheasants daily. Possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.
- Oct 07 - Jan 01 - Bag Limit: 3 cock pheasants daily. Possession limit is three times the daily bag limit.

-- Sage Grouse Season --

Means of taking: Sage Grouse may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge; a long, recurve or compound bow and arrow. All other means of taking are prohibited.

Sage Grouse - (Closed West of the Continental Divide)

- Sep 01 - Sep 30 - Bag Limit: 2 daily. Possession limit is two times the daily bag limit.

-- Sharp-tailed Grouse Season --

Means of taking: Sharp-tailed Grouse may be taken with a shotgun not larger than a ten gauge; a long, recurve or compound bow and arrow. All other means of taking are prohibited.

Sharp-tailed Grouse - (Closed West of the Continental Divide)

- Sep 01 - Jan 01 - Sharp-tailed Grouse. Bag Limit: 4 daily. Possession limit is four times the daily bag limit.

Visit <http://fwp.mt.gov> 3

Closed or Restricted Areas – Upland Game Bird and Falconry

Helena Valley Regulating Reservoir (Lewis and Clark County):

Open to upland game bird hunting up to the opening day of the waterfowl season at which point it is closed to all hunting.

Freezout Lake Wildlife Management Area (Teton County):

Open to upland game bird hunting until the opening of the general waterfowl season, then it will be closed to all hunting in the following described portion of the Wildlife Management Area: SW 1/4 Section 19, Sections 29 and 30, T22N, R3W, W 1/2 Section 12, W 1/2 of E 1/2 Section 12, and that portion of Sections 13 and 24 within the posted boundary of the Freezout Lake Wildlife Management Area, T22N, R4W. The area closed will reopen November 20.

General Regulations

It is illegal to –

- Loan or transfer their license to another person or use a license issued to another person.
- Carry or have physical control over a valid and unused hunting license or permit issued to another person while in any location where the species to be hunted occurs. Exception: a person may carry or have control over a license or permit issued to that person's spouse or any minor when the spouse or minor is hunting with that person.
- Alter a license or permit for any reason.
- Post state or federal land other than that done by a state or federal land agency.

Accidental Dog Captures in Traps or Snares – To improve understanding of accidental dog captures in traps or snares, hunters should report such captures to the nearest FWP regional office within 24 hours. A Recreationist Guide to Releasing Traps and Snares is available on the FWP website.

Airplane Spotting – Aircraft may not be used to locate big game animals for the purpose of:

- Hunting those animals during the same hunting day after a person has been airborne or;
- Providing information for another person for the purpose of hunting those animals within the same hunting day after being airborne;

The use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAV) for the purpose of locating, spotting or hunting big game, upland birds or other species under the management authority of FWP during commission-established hunting seasons is prohibited.

California and Gambel's Quail – These non-native species are now found throughout portions of Montana. The Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission has designated California and Gambel's quail as prohibited species which means that:

- Possession, sale, purchase, exchange, or transport of **live** birds in Montana is prohibited.
- Feral California and Gambel's quail may be taken without license, season, or limit.

Check Stations – All hunters and anglers are required by law to stop as directed at all designated check stations on their way to and from hunting and fishing areas, even if they have no game or fish to be checked.

FWP Website – <http://fwp.mt.gov> – The FWP website offers information to help you plan your hunt. You'll find maps, regulations, and links to federal, state and local agencies. Also check mt.gov, the official state website, for information about Montana.

Hunter Orange Requirement – Shooting another hunter while swinging the gun on an upland bird is the leading cause of hunting-related accidents in Montana. Although not required, it is strongly recommended that all bird hunters wear at least a hunter orange hat or cap to reduce the chance of an accident.

Hunting Hours – Authorized hunting hours for the taking of upland game birds begin one-half hour before sunrise and end one-half hour after sunset each day of the hunting season. See official sunrise-sunset tables in these regulations.

Inspection of Wildlife – Wildlife taken must be shown to FWP Enforcement for inspection when requested.

License Possession

- Licenses must be carried on your person at all times while in the field hunting.
- Licenses must be produced if requested by FWP Enforcement personnel.

Marked or Radio-Collared Animals – It is legal to shoot game animals that have radio collars, neck bands, ear tags and/or other markers, but markers and radio collars must be returned to FWP. Please report the killing of a marked animal to the local FWP Office.

Methods of Taking – Authorized means of taking is listed under each upland game bird species group. The three-shell (shotgun) limit required for migratory birds does not apply to upland game birds.

National Wildlife Refuges – More restrictive regulations may apply to national wildlife refuges open to public hunting. For additional information on federal regulations, contact Special Agent-in-Charge, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services, POB 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225 303-234-4612.

Non-Toxic Shot – Hunters are reminded that non-toxic shot is required for the hunting of upland game birds on federal refuges or waterfowl production areas. Only federally-approved non-toxic shot may be used on these areas. Specific questions regarding this regulation should be made through local offices of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

Outfitters and Guides – It is illegal to hire an outfitter or guide not licensed by the Department of Labor and Industry. For information, call 406-841-2300.

Possession Limit while in the Field– No person shall possess more than one daily bag limit while in the field, or while returning from the field to one's vehicle, hunting camp, home, etc.

Possession Limit – The number of birds that may be possessed at any time in any form: fresh, stored in freezers or lockers, salted, smoked, dried, canned, or preserved.

Prohibited Methods of Hunting – It is illegal for anyone to hunt or attempt to hunt any game animal or game bird:

- From any self propelled, motor driven or drawn vehicle. To be lawful, a hunter must have two feet on the ground and his/her body outside of the vehicle. Holders of the Permit To Hunt From A Vehicle are the exception to this;
- On, from, or across any public highway or the shoulder, berm, barrow pit or right-of-way of any public highway (the entire width between the boundary lines of every publicly maintained way when any part thereof is open to the use of the public for purposes of vehicular travel, in the State of Montana); or
- By the aid or with the use of any set gun, jacklight, spotlight or other artificial light, trap, snare, salt lick, or bait, as per Montana law. Baiting shall mean the placing, exposing, depositing, distributing, or scattering of corn, wheat, or other grain or food sources so as to constitute a lure or attraction.

Recorded Animal Sounds – It is illegal to use any recorded or electrically amplified bird or animal calls or sounds or imitations of bird or animal calls or sounds to assist in the hunting, taking, killing or capturing of any wildlife except predatory animals, wolves, and those birds not protected by State or Federal law.

Shooting Preserves (Private) – To hunt upland game birds on a private shooting preserve, resident hunters must possess a valid upland game bird license and nonresident hunters must possess either a valid upland game bird license or a 3-day shooting preserve license.

Transporting Upland Game Birds –

- No person shall transport within the state any sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, mountain grouse or partridge unless one fully feathered wing is left naturally attached for species identification. The wing shall remain attached at all times while being transported from the place where taken until it has arrived at the permanent residence of the possessor.
- If a hunter puts or leaves any game birds at any place or in the custody of another person, the birds should be tagged by the hunter with the following information: 1) the hunter's ALS number; 2) the hunter's signature; 3) the hunter's address; 4) the total number of birds involved, by species; and 5) the dates such birds were killed. Game birds should be tagged if the birds are being transported by another person for the hunter, or if the birds have been left for cleaning, storage (including temporary storage), shipment or taxidermy services.

Transporting Pheasants – It is unlawful to possess or transport within the state any pheasant unless one leg and foot are left naturally attached for evidence of sex. The leg and foot shall remain attached at all times while being transported from the place where taken until it has arrived at the permanent residence of the possessor.

Two-way Communication –

- Two-way communication (radios, cell phones, text messages, etc.) may not be used to:
 - hunt game animals or upland game birds, migratory birds or furbearers as defined in Montana law (“Hunt” means to “pursue, shoot, wound, kill, chase, lure, possess or capture.”), or
 - avoid game checking stations, FWP Enforcement personnel, or to facilitate illegal activity.
- The rule does not prohibit the possession or use of two-way communication for safety or other legitimate purposes.

Wanton Waste –

- It is illegal to waste any part of any game animal, game bird, or game fish suitable for food.
- Following are game bird parts “suitable for food.”
 - All birds that fall into the size category of the partridge or smaller, only the breasts must be retained.
 - All birds larger than a partridge and up to the size category of, and including, pheasants and sage grouse, the breasts and the thighs must be retained.
 - All turkeys: the breasts, thighs and wings must be retained.

Be A Montana Hunter

- Follow the rules of safe gun handling.
- Be proficient in the use of your equipment.
- Know and obey laws and regulations.
- Develop hunting skills and knowledge.
- Develop a personal code of conduct.
- Respect the wildlife you hunt and the land it inhabits.
- Respect other hunters and the rights of non-hunters and landowners.
- Relax and enjoy your hunt, whether you get your game or not.
- Get involved in conserving wildlife and hunting.
- Be a role model; share your skill and knowledge with others.

Hunter Land Access

It is your responsibility as a hunter in Montana to always know where you are, to know who owns the land, and to know what access restrictions apply. Always carry a map that clearly marks hunting boundaries, landownership, and travel restrictions. Maps may be obtained at most federal agencies such as the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service offices, as well as some sporting goods stores. Also, be sure to visit the Interactive Hunt Planner on the FWP website.

Block Management – The Block Management program is a cooperative effort among private and some public landowners, FWP, and hunters. The program seeks to: 1) maintain public hunting access to private and isolated public lands; 2) help landowners manage public hunting and provide benefits to offset impacts like increased road maintenance and weed control; and 3) help FWP manage wildlife. Each FWP Region administers the Block Management Areas (BMAs) for its portion of the state. If you are interested in hunting a BMA, contact the regional office in the area you wish to hunt. The BMA hunting access guide lists current information on lands enrolled in the program statewide. These are available annually on August 15. The earliest date to reserve access to a BMA is August 22.

Private Land Access – Montana law requires permission for all hunting on private land.

- Even if the land is not posted, hunters must have permission from the land owner, lessee, or their agent before hunting on private property, regardless of whether the land is posted or not.
- Access to public land through private land requires permission of the private land owner, lessee, or their agent.
- Hunters must obtain permission before retrieval of wildlife from private lands.

Public Land –

- National Parks are closed to hunting.
- National Wildlife Refuge lands are closed except those areas designated open to public hunting. For hunting opportunities on National Wildlife Refuges or Federal Waterfowl Production Areas, inquire at the local refuge office.
- For hunting opportunities on federal lands such as U.S. Forest Service or U.S. Bureau of Land Management, inquire at the local federal office.
- Access to public lands through private land requires permission of the private landowner, lessee, or their agent.

Railroad Access – Railroads and railroad right-of-ways are private property and may not be hunted without permission, nor should they be used as access to other lands (private or public) without explicit permission from the railroad. Consult the individual railroad for details.

State School Trust Lands –

- Overnight (2 night) camping is allowed within 200 feet of a legal access point.
- Horses may not be kept on state land overnight.
- Game retrieval is by foot or horse only.
- No open fires are allowed except in designated campground fire pits.
- Firearms may not be discharged within ¼ mile of an inhabited dwelling or outbuilding without permission of the inhabitant.
- State School Trust Lands within Block Management Areas (BMA) may have more liberal regulations. Consult the individual regulations for specific BMAs.
- Additional information regarding the rules, regulations, and restrictions governing these activities is available from FWP or contact DNRC at 406-444-2074.

State Game Preserves – State game preserves may or may not be open to limited hunting. For more information, contact a regional FWP office.

State Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) – Wildlife Management Areas are generally open for hunting. They are closed to public entry, unless otherwise posted, from the day following the end of the general deer-elk season or December 1, whichever is later, to noon on May 15 each year, as posted. There may be exceptions to these dates. For specific WMA information, contact the regional office that the WMA is located in (see page 8 for contact numbers) or visit the FWP website at <http://fwp.mt.gov/fishAndWildlife/wma/>

Tribal Land –

- State regulations apply to deeded land within the Crow Indian Reservation.
- Hunters hunting upland game birds and turkeys on tribal land within the exterior boundary of an Indian Reservation should check Indian Reservation regulations because season dates, bag limits, licensing requirements, shooting hours, legal species, and shot shell requirements may differ from state regulations.
- The State of Montana and the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes have entered into a cooperative management agreement on the Flathead Reservation. Please check for upland game bird regulations specific to the Flathead Reservation. For information call the Kalispell Fish, Wildlife & Parks at 406-752-5501 or the Tribes in Pablo at 406-883-2888 ext. 7200.

Upland Game Bird Enhancement Program (UGBEP) – Provides technical and financial assistance to enhance and conserve upland game bird habitats on lands open to public upland game bird hunting. Partnerships are formed between FWP and (1) private landowners, (2) government agencies, (3) conservation organizations, or (4) a combination of the various partners. Hunters can order the annual Projects Access Guide, which includes project specifics, area maps, and the method used to request permission to hunt on private lands enrolled in UGBEP. Visit <http://fwp.mt.gov> to order your guide. Obtaining landowners' permission to hunt upland game birds is required prior to hunting or entering any private land project area.

Avian Influenza

National Early Detection Effort

- Several years ago, a virulent form of bird flu—Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (H5N1)—emerged to sicken and kill domestic poultry in Asia, Africa and Europe.
- Montana Wildlife officials are contributing to the national effort to detect the possible arrival of the virulent strain of bird flu that could be brought to North America via migrating waterfowl.
- Part of that effort includes getting help from hunters by collecting samples from harvested waterfowl through routine hunter game checks.
- H5N1 is primarily a disease of birds, not humans. Should H5N1 be detected anywhere in North America, it would not signal the start of a human health crisis.

Common Sense Precautions

- Viruses like H5N1 are shed from birds in fecal material and other body fluids; so avoid contact with these materials while plucking and cleaning birds.
- Do not harvest or handle wildlife that is obviously sick or found dead.
- Wear rubber gloves while cleaning game.
- Do not eat, drink or smoke while cleaning game and wash hands with soap and water or alcohol wipes after handling game.
- Wash tools and work surfaces used to clean game with soap and water, then disinfect with a 10 percent solution of chlorine bleach—one part chlorine to 9 parts water.
- Separate raw meat, and anything it touches, from cooked or ready-to-eat foods to avoid contamination.
- Cook game meat thoroughly, to an internal temperature of at least 165 degrees Fahrenheit.

Farmers and Ranchers

On behalf of Fish, Wildlife & Parks, and all Montana hunters, we'd like to say "Thanks!" Thanks for providing habitat for Montana's public wildlife resources, and thanks for opening your gates to resident and nonresident hunters.



To report violations on private and public land dial **1-800-TIP-MONT**

2017 Sunrise-Sunset Tables For Determining Hunting Hours

These tables, including adjustments for daylight savings time, are the official sunrise-sunset tables adopted by the Montana Fish & Wildlife Commission for hunting in Montana. Authorized hunting hours for the taking of upland game birds and falconry begin one-half hour before sunrise and end one-half hour after sunset each day of the hunting season. **Do not use other sources.**



ZONE 1

INCLUDES: Flathead, Granite, Lake, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, Ravalli and Sanders counties

Day	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan	
	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.
01	6:56	8:15	7:35	7:15	8:19	6:20	8:01	4:49	8:21	4:58
02	6:57	8:13	7:37	7:13	8:20	6:18	8:02	4:49	8:21	4:59
03	6:59	8:11	7:38	7:11	8:22	6:17	8:03	4:49	8:21	5:00
04	7:00	8:09	7:39	7:09	8:23	6:15	8:04	4:48	8:21	5:01
05	7:01	8:07	7:41	7:07	7:25	5:14	8:05	4:48	8:21	5:02
06	7:03	8:05	7:42	7:05	7:26	5:12	8:07	4:48	8:21	5:04
07	7:04	8:03	7:43	7:03	7:28	5:11	8:08	4:48	8:20	5:05
08	7:05	8:01	7:45	7:01	7:29	5:10	8:09	4:47	8:20	5:06
09	7:06	7:59	7:46	6:59	7:31	5:08	8:10	4:47	8:20	5:07
10	7:08	7:57	7:47	6:58	7:32	5:07	8:11	4:47	8:19	5:08
11	7:09	7:55	7:49	6:56	7:34	5:06	8:11	4:47	8:19	5:09
12	7:10	7:53	7:50	6:54	7:35	5:05	8:12	4:47	8:18	5:11
13	7:12	7:51	7:52	6:52	7:37	5:04	8:13	4:48	8:18	5:12
14	7:13	7:49	7:53	6:50	7:38	5:02	8:14	4:48	8:17	5:13
15	7:14	7:47	7:54	6:48	7:39	5:01	8:15	4:48	8:17	5:15
16	7:15	7:45	7:56	6:46	7:41	5:00	8:15	4:48	8:16	5:16
17	7:17	7:43	7:57	6:45	7:42	4:59	8:16	4:49	8:15	5:17
18	7:18	7:41	7:59	6:43	7:44	4:58	8:17	4:49	8:15	5:19
19	7:19	7:39	8:00	6:41	7:45	4:57	8:17	4:49	8:14	5:20
20	7:21	7:37	8:02	6:39	7:47	4:57	8:18	4:50	8:13	5:22
21	7:22	7:35	8:03	6:37	7:48	4:56	8:18	4:50	8:12	5:23
22	7:23	7:33	8:04	6:36	7:49	4:55	8:19	4:51	8:11	5:24
23	7:25	7:31	8:06	6:34	7:51	4:54	8:19	4:51	8:10	5:26
24	7:26	7:29	8:07	6:32	7:52	4:53	8:20	4:52	8:09	5:27
25	7:27	7:27	8:09	6:31	7:53	4:53	8:20	4:53	8:08	5:29
26	7:29	7:25	8:10	6:29	7:55	4:52	8:20	4:53	8:07	5:30
27	7:30	7:23	8:12	6:27	7:56	4:51	8:21	4:54	8:06	5:32
28	7:31	7:21	8:13	6:26	7:57	4:51	8:21	4:55	8:05	5:33
29	7:33	7:19	8:15	6:24	7:58	4:50	8:21	4:56	8:04	5:35
30	7:34	7:17	8:16	6:23	8:00	4:50	8:21	4:57	8:03	5:36
31			8:17	6:21			8:21	4:57	8:02	5:38

ZONE 2

INCLUDES: Beaverhead, Broadwater, Cascade, Chouteau, Deer Lodge, Gallatin, Glacier, Hill, Jefferson, Lewis & Clark, Liberty, Madison, Meagher, Park, Pondera, Powell, Silver Bow, Teton and Toole counties

Day	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan	
	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.
01	6:49	8:06	7:27	7:07	8:10	6:12	7:52	4:42	8:12	4:52
02	6:50	8:05	7:29	7:05	8:12	6:11	7:53	4:42	8:12	4:52
03	6:51	8:03	7:30	7:03	8:13	6:09	7:54	4:42	8:12	4:53
04	6:52	8:01	7:31	7:01	8:15	6:08	7:56	4:41	8:12	4:55
05	6:54	7:59	7:33	6:59	7:16	5:07	7:57	4:41	8:12	4:56
06	6:55	7:57	7:34	6:58	7:18	5:05	7:58	4:41	8:12	4:57
07	6:56	7:55	7:35	6:56	7:19	5:04	7:59	4:41	8:12	4:58
08	6:57	7:53	7:37	6:54	7:21	5:03	8:00	4:41	8:11	4:59
09	6:59	7:51	7:38	6:52	7:22	5:01	8:01	4:41	8:11	5:00
10	7:00	7:49	7:39	6:50	7:24	5:00	8:02	4:41	8:10	5:01
11	7:01	7:47	7:41	6:48	7:25	4:59	8:03	4:41	8:10	5:03
12	7:03	7:45	7:42	6:46	7:26	4:58	8:03	4:41	8:10	5:04
13	7:04	7:43	7:43	6:44	7:28	4:57	8:04	4:41	8:09	5:05
14	7:05	7:41	7:45	6:43	7:29	4:55	8:05	4:41	8:09	5:06
15	7:06	7:39	7:46	6:41	7:31	4:54	8:06	4:41	8:08	5:08
16	7:08	7:37	7:48	6:39	7:32	4:53	8:07	4:41	8:07	5:09
17	7:09	7:35	7:49	6:37	7:34	4:52	8:07	4:42	8:07	5:10
18	7:10	7:33	7:50	6:35	7:35	4:51	8:08	4:42	8:06	5:12
19	7:12	7:31	7:52	6:34	7:36	4:50	8:08	4:42	8:05	5:13
20	7:13	7:29	7:53	6:32	7:38	4:50	8:09	4:43	8:04	5:15
21	7:14	7:27	7:55	6:30	7:39	4:49	8:10	4:43	8:03	5:16
22	7:15	7:25	7:56	6:28	7:41	4:48	8:10	4:44	8:03	5:17
23	7:17	7:23	7:57	6:27	7:42	4:47	8:10	4:45	8:02	5:19
24	7:18	7:21	7:59	6:25	7:43	4:46	8:11	4:45	8:01	5:20
25	7:19	7:19	8:00	6:23	7:45	4:46	8:11	4:46	8:00	5:22
26	7:21	7:17	8:02	6:22	7:46	4:45	8:11	4:47	7:59	5:23
27	7:22	7:15	8:03	6:20	7:47	4:44	8:12	4:47	7:58	5:25
28	7:23	7:13	8:05	6:18	7:48	4:44	8:12	4:48	7:57	5:26
29	7:25	7:11	8:06	6:17	7:50	4:43	8:12	4:49	7:55	5:28
30	7:26	7:09	8:08	6:15	7:51	4:43	8:12	4:50	7:54	5:29
31			8:09	6:14			8:12	4:51	7:53	5:31

ZONE 3

INCLUDES: Big Horn, Blaine, Carbon, Fergus, Golden Valley, Judith Basin, Musselshell, Petroleum, Phillips, Stillwater, Sweet Grass, Wheatland and Yellowstone counties

Day	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan	
	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.
01	6:38	7:57	7:17	6:57	8:01	6:01	7:43	4:30	8:04	4:39
02	6:39	7:55	7:18	6:55	8:03	5:59	7:45	4:30	8:04	4:40
03	6:40	7:53	7:20	6:53	8:04	5:58	7:46	4:29	8:04	4:41
04	6:41	7:51	7:21	6:51	8:06	5:56	7:47	4:29	8:04	4:42
05	6:43	7:49	7:22	6:49	7:07	4:55	7:48	4:29	8:03	4:43
06	6:44	7:47	7:24	6:47	7:09	4:54	7:49	4:29	8:03	4:44
07	6:45	7:45	7:25	6:45	7:10	4:52	7:50	4:29	8:03	4:46
08	6:47	7:43	7:27	6:43	7:11	4:51	7:51	4:28	8:03	4:47
09	6:48	7:41	7:28	6:41	7:13	4:50	7:52	4:28	8:02	4:48
10	6:49	7:39	7:29	6:39	7:14	4:48	7:53	4:28	8:02	4:49
11	6:51	7:37	7:31	6:37	7:16	4:47	7:54	4:28	8:01	4:50
12	6:52	7:35	7:32	6:35	7:17	4:46	7:55	4:28	8:01	4:52
13	6:53	7:33	7:34	6:33	7:19	4:45	7:56	4:28	8:00	4:53
14	6:54	7:31	7:35	6:32	7:20	4:44	7:56	4:29	8:00	4:54
15	6:56	7:29	7:36	6:30	7:22	4:43	7:57	4:29	7:59	4:56
16	6:57	7:27	7:38	6:28	7:23	4:41	7:58	4:29	7:59	4:57
17	6:58	7:25	7:39	6:26	7:25	4:40	7:59	4:29	7:58	4:58
18	7:00	7:23	7:41	6:24	7:26	4:39	7:59	4:30	7:57	5:00
19	7:01	7:21	7:42	6:22	7:28	4:39	8:00	4:30	7:56	5:01
20	7:02	7:19	7:44	6:21	7:29	4:38	8:01	4:31	7:55	5:03
21	7:04	7:17	7:45	6:19	7:30	4:37	8:01	4:31	7:55	5:04
22	7:05	7:15	7:46	6:17	7:32	4:36	8:02	4:32	7:54	5:06
23	7:06	7:13	7:48	6:15	7:33	4:35	8:02	4:32	7:53	5:07
24	7:08	7:11	7:49	6:14	7:34	4:34	8:02	4:33	7:52	5:08
25	7:09	7:09	7:51	6:12	7:36	4:34	8:03	4:34	7:51	5:10
26	7:10	7:07	7:52	6:10	7:37	4:33	8:03	4:34	7:50	5:11
27	7:12	7:05	7:54	6:09	7:38	4:32	8:03	4:35	7:49	5:13
28	7:13	7:03	7:55	6:07	7:40	4:32	8:03	4:36	7:47	5:14
29	7:14	7:01	7:57	6:06	7:41	4:31	8:04	4:37	7:46	5:16
30	7:16	6:59	7:58	6:04	7:42	4:31	8:04	4:37	7:45	5:18
31			8:00	6:02			8:04	4:38	7:44	5:19

ZONE 4

INCLUDES: Carter, Custer, Daniels, Dawson, Fallon, Garfield, McCone, Powder River, Prairie, Richland, Roosevelt, Rosebud, Sheridan, Treasure, Valley and Wibaux counties

Day	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan	
	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.	Rise A.M.	Set P.M.
01	6:24	7:42	7:02	6:43	7:45	5:48	7:27	4:18	7:47	4:27
02	6:25	7:40	7:04	6:41	7:47	5:47	7:28	4:18	7:47	4:28
03	6:27	7:38	7:05	6:39	7:48	5:45	7:29	4:18	7:47	4:29
04	6:28	7:36	7:06	6:37	7:50	5:44	7:30	4:17	7:47	4:30
05	6:29	7:34	7:08	6:35	7:51	5:42	7:31	4:17	7:47	4:31
06	6:30	7:32	7:09	6:33	7:53	5:41	7:32	4:17	7:46	4:33
07	6:32	7:30	7:10	6:31	7:54	5:40	7:33	4:17	7:46	4:34
08	6:33	7:28	7:12	6:29	7:55	5:38	7:34	4:17	7:46	4:35
09	6:34	7:26	7:13	6:27	7:57	5:37	7:35	4:16	7:46	4:36
10	6:35	7:24	7:14	6:25	7:58	5:36	7:36	4:16	7:45	4:37
11	6:37	7:22	7:16	6:23	7:00	4:35	7:37	4:16	7:45	4:38
12	6:38	7:20	7:17	6:22	7:01	4:33	7:38	4:17	7:44	4:40
13	6:39	7:18	7:18	6:20	7:03	4:32	7:39	4:17	7:44	4:41
14	6:40	7:16	7:20							

FWP Contacts

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks State Headquarters

1420 East Sixth Avenue, PO Box 200701,
Helena, MT 59620-0701.....**406-444-2535**
Hunter Education.....**406-444-9948**
Wildlife Division.....**406-444-2612**
Enforcement Division.....**406-444-2452**
Parks Division (Montana State Parks).....**406-444-3750**
Licensing.....**406-444-2950**
Hearing Impaired (use Montana
Relay).....**7-1-1 or 1-800-253-4091**

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Regional Headquarters



REGION 1

490 N Meridian Rd
Kalispell, MT 59901
(406) 752-5501

REGION 2

3201 Spurgin Rd
Missoula, MT 59804
(406) 542-5500

REGION 3

1400 South 19th Ave
Bozeman, MT 59718-5496
(406) 994-4042

HELENA Area Res Office
(HARO)
930 Custer Ave W
Helena, MT 59620
(406) 495-3260

BUTTE Area Res Office
(BARO)
1820 Meadowlark Ln
Butte, MT 59701
(406) 494-1953

REGION 4

4600 Giant Springs Rd
Great Falls, MT 59405
(406) 454-5840

LEWISTOWN Area Res
Office (LARO)
215 W Aztec Dr
PO Box 938
Lewistown, MT 59457
(406) 538-4658

REGION 5

2300 Lake Elmo Dr
Billings, MT 59105
(406) 247-2940

REGION 6

1 Airport Rd
Glasgow, MT 59230
(406) 228-3700

HAVRE Area Res Office
(HvARO)
2165 Hwy 2 East
Havre, MT 59501
(406) 265-6177

REGION 7

352 I-94 Business Loop
PO Box 1630
Miles City, MT 59301
(406)234-0900

Contacts Outside Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Montana State Agencies

Agriculture
406-444-3144
Guides & Outfitters
406-841-2300
Livestock
406-444-7323
State Lands (DNRC)
406-444-2074
Tourism
406-841-2870

Federal Agencies

US Department of
Interior (USDI)
202-208-3100
USDI Fish & Wildlife
Service
406-449-5225
USDA Forest Service
406-329-3511

Land Maps

Bureau of Land Management
406-896-5000
Topographical (USGS)
888-275-8747

Tribal Lands

Blackfeet Reservation
406-338-7276
Crow Reservation
406-638-2179
Flathead Reservation
406-883-2888 ext 7200
Fort Belknap
406-353-2205
Fort Peck Reservation
406-768-5305
Northern Cheyenne Reservation
406-477-6526
Rocky Boy Reservation
406-395-4207

Montana Outdoors

KEEPING YOU INFORMED: Get the latest information on fish and wildlife management in *Montana Outdoors*. Published by Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks, this full-color magazine is packed with information that puts you on the inside track of Montana's major issues: hunting land access, elk management, poaching rings, and much more.

One year (six issues) only **\$12**

Call 800-678-6668

Subscribe online at fwp.mt.gov/mtoutdoors



Together, we can stop poachers.
It's time to say Enough is Enough!

Year-round and statewide, poachers are taking Montana's biggest and best game animals. Poaching is illegal. And it robs law-abiding hunters of hunting opportunities.

FWP game wardens have broken major poaching rings recently. TIP-MONT callers have increased the effectiveness of our warden's ability to protect Montana's resources. With your help, we can reduce poaching.

Make the call:

1-800-TIP-MONT

1-800-847-6668

24 Hours a day, 7 days a week

1-800-TIP-MONT



Take Responsibility. Make the Call.

65,000 of copies of this public document were published at an estimated cost of \$0.10 per copy, for a total cost of \$6,849, which includes \$6,849 for printing and \$0 for distribution.

