

2009-2010 Mountain Lion Hunting Seasons

General Rules

Female With Young: Neither spotted mountain lion young nor female mountain lions accompanied by young may be taken.

Evidence of Sex: Must be left attached to the hide of any mountain lion taken. For mountain lion, external evidence of sex (either scrotum, penis, or testicles for males, or vulva for females) must be left naturally attached to the hide until the mandatory check requirement has been satisfied.

Bag Limit: No person may take more mountain lions than he or she has legal tags for.

Mandatory Check and Report: Any hunter killing a mountain lion must, *within 10 days of the date of kill (Note: where there is a female quota, hunters must report within 5 days):*

- Present the skull and hide to an Idaho Fish and Game conservation officer, regional office or other official checkpoint for removal and retention of a premolar tooth and to have the hide tagged with an official state export tag. No person shall have, **except** during the open season and for 10 days after the close of the season, any raw mountain lion pelt that does not have an official state export tag attached (either Idaho's or another state's official export tag).
- A hunter may authorize another person to comply with the above requirements if that person possesses enough information to accurately complete the necessary form.
- **Please thaw your mountain lion hide and skull before bringing it in for tagging. Staff members may not be able to check a frozen hide or skull.**

Fish and Game's headquarters office is not equipped to check mountain lions. In the Boise area, these animals can be checked at the Fish and Game regional office in Nampa (3101 S. Powerline Rd, 208-465-8465) between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. or by appointment at the Garden City facility, 109 W. 44th St., 208-327-7099.

Capturing Mountain Lions: No person may trap, snare or otherwise capture or hold any mountain lion.

Big Game Feeding Sites: It is unlawful to hunt or pursue mountain lions within 1/2 mile of any active Fish and Game big game feeding site.

Female Mountain Lion Quota

To find out whether the quota on female mountain lions has been met and the season has been closed in a particular management unit, call 1-800-323-4334. For more specific information about the number of female lions harvested and reported for each management unit, call a Fish and Game regional office or the headquarters office in Boise. (See page 5, or <http://fishandgame.idaho.gov>.)

Hound Hunting

Anyone hunting with hounds, unless hunting with an outfitter, must have a hound hunter permit. (Please see section on hound hunting rules on page 66.)

Special Tags

Second tags:

Second tags issued for mountain lions may be used only in that portion of Unit 16 north of the Selway River and all of Units 16A, 17, 19, 20, 20A, 26, and 27. Nonresident mountain lion tags used in these units are available for \$31.75.

Nonresident Deer Tag Used for Black Bear or Mountain Lion

(Please see page 74.)

Nonresident Reduced Mountain Lion Tags

(Please see page 74.)




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Units	Take Season	Dogs Prohibited	Female Quota	Notes
1	Sep 15 - Feb 16	Sep 15 - Dec 13		<i>Dog training season open Feb 17 - Mar 31.</i>
2, 3, 4A, 5, 6	Sep 15 - Feb 16	Oct 10 - Dec 13		<i>Dog training season open Feb 17 - Mar 31.</i>
4, 7, 9	Sep 15 - Feb 16	Oct 10 - Nov 21		<i>Dog training season open Feb 17 - Mar 31.</i>
8	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 10 - Dec 1		
8A	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Aug 30 - Sep 14 Oct 10 - Dec 1		
10, 12	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 10 - Oct 31		
10A	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Aug 30 - Sep 14 Oct 10 - Nov 20		
11, 11A, 14, 15, 18	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 10 - Nov 20		
13	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 10 - Nov 3		
16	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 10 - Nov 20		<i>North of Selway River: 2 lion bag limit Remainder of unit: 1 lion bag limit</i>
16A, 17 19, 20	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Sep 15 - Oct 31		<i>2 lion bag limit</i>
19A	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 24		
20A, 26, 27	Aug 30 - Apr 30	Sep 15 - Oct 31		<i>2 lion bag limit</i>
21, 21A, 28, 36B	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 10 - Nov 8		
22	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Aug 30 - Nov 24	6	<i>See note 1, Page 61</i>
23	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 24	8	<i>See note 1, Page 61</i>
24	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 5 - Nov 24	5	<i>See note 1, Page 61</i>
25	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 5 - Nov 24	8	<i>See note 1, Page 61</i>
29, 30, 30A, 36A, 37, 37A	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 24		<i>Motorized Vehicle Restriction, See note 3, Page 61</i>
31	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Aug 30 - Nov 24	3	<i>See note 1, Page 61</i>
32	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Aug 30 - Nov 24	6	<i>Motorized Vehicle Restriction, See notes 1 & 3, Page 61</i>
32A	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Aug 30 - Nov 3 Nov 10 - Nov 24	5	<i>Motorized Vehicle Restriction, See notes 1 & 3, Page 61</i>
33, 34, 35	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 5 - Nov 8	15	<i>See note 1, Page 61</i>
36	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 5 - Nov 8		
38	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 5 - Nov 30		
39	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 5 - Nov 9	10	<i>See note 1, Page 61</i>
40	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 5 - Nov 24	10	<i>See note 1, Page 61</i>
41, 42	Aug 30 - Jun 30	Oct 5 - Nov 24		<i>Electronic calls may be used</i>
43, 44, 48, 49	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 30	6	<i>See note 2, Page 61, Motorized Vehicle Restriction in Units 48 & 49, See note 3, Page 61</i>

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45, 50, 51, 52, 52A, 53, 58, 59, 59A	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 30		<i>Motorized Vehicle Restriction in Units 45, 50, 51, 52, 53, 58, 59 & 59A, See note 3, Page 61</i>
46, 47	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 30	6	<i>See note 2, Page 61, Motorized Vehicle Restriction Unit 47, See note 3, Page 61</i>
54	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 30	6	<i>See note 2, Page 61</i>
55	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 30	6	<i>See note 2, Page 61</i>
56, 57, 60, 60A, 61, 62, 62A, 63, 63A, 64, 65, 66, 66A, 67, 68, 68A, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 73A, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78	Aug 30 - Mar 31	Oct 1 - Nov 30		<i>Motorized Vehicle Restriction in Units 56, 57, 66, 69, 70, 73, 75, 77 & 78, See note 3, Page 61</i>

Notes:

1. The take season in this/these unit(s) will remain open for either sex until the female quota is reached or the take season ends. After the female quota has been reached, the take season in this/these unit(s) will remain open for males only.
2. The take season in this/these unit(s) will remain open until the female quota is reached, or the take season ends, whichever comes first. For these units, a dog training season opens upon the closure of the unit to harvest where a harvest quota is met. If opened, the training season in any of these units shall close March 31.
3. Motorized vehicle use as an aid to hunting for mountain lion is restricted **August 30 through December 31** to established roadways open to motorized vehicle traffic capable of travel by full-sized automobiles – any motorized vehicle with a gross vehicle weight in excess of 1,500 pounds. See Page 68.