

Grizzly Bear Conflict Contacts

Please take precautions on your property to avoid grizzly bear conflicts. However, should a grizzly bear depredation of livestock happen or be imminent, please call the Wildlife Service agent or FWP bear management specialist closest to your location. When you call, please be sure to explain in detail your specific situation and location. Protect the livestock carcass and minimize disturbance to the site.

In Montana, the following laws apply to taking of black bears, mountain lions, wolves and grizzly bears regarding the protection of persons, livestock and property:

- **It is a federal crime to kill or harm grizzly bears unless it is in self-defense or in defense of others. (ESA – 50 CRF 17.40)**
- A person can kill mountain lions, black bears, grizzly bears and wolves if the wildlife is attacking, killing, or threatening to kill a person.
- A person can kill mountain lions, black bears, and wolves if the wildlife is attacking, killing, or threatening to kill livestock. A person may kill or attempt to kill a wolf or mountain lion that is in the act of attacking or killing a domestic dog. (87-6-106, MCA).
- Landowner or the landowner's agent may kill a wolf on the landowner's property when the wolf is a potential threat to human safety, livestock, or dogs. (87-1-901, MCA).

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