



2025 Blackfoot River Special Recreation Permit (SRP) Instructions

Permit & Boat Tags

1. Your 2025 SRP is valid from the date signed by the authorized official to December 31, 2025.
2. The included boat tags serve as your proof of a valid Blackfoot River SRP. These tags are required to be displayed at all times while operating under the SRP.
3. The manner in which tags are attached to watercraft is left up to individual outfitters, so long as the tags are visible and placed on both the port and starboard sides of the watercraft, in a conspicuous location and are removable for private use. Please avoid attaching to dry boxes, coolers, and the backsides of seats, as these are in most cases not visible and/or displayed on both sides of the boat. Only the set of tags that are currently being operated under may be displayed. If a guide operates under more than one outfitter, the tags that are not in use at that time must be covered or removed, and only the one set of tags that are in use at that time should be visibly displayed. Most tags are displayed on a plaque that is draped over the oar locks.
4. Montana Board of Outfitter tags do not constitute proof of a Blackfoot River SRP. Board of Outfitter tags are to be displayed in conjunction with SRP boat tags.

Post-Use Report

1. The use report form is the only acceptable form of post-use report. An electronic version is available, and preferred, at <https://fwp.mt.gov/activities/boating/blackfoot-river> or by contacting FWP.
2. The post-use report of all commercial activities (including non-floating activities such as wade fishing) is required to be submitted no later than January 12th, 2026.
3. Use reports and any outstanding permit fees must be submitted to FWP no later than January 12th, 2026. Failure to submit use reports or permit fees by the stated deadline may result in a \$100 penalty and/or citation. FWP will not issue a new permit until all required use reports and owed fees are submitted.

Reminders

1. Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) will be randomly conducting SRP and Commercial Fishing Access Site (FAS) permit compliance checks throughout the season, and citations will be issued for violations of the permit systems.
2. **All guides must purchase a Commercial FAS permit to conduct commercial activities, including launching or taking-out at Fishing Access Sites. This can be purchased at approved license providers or online.**
3. As of July 1, 2023, everyone ages 12 and older needs a Montana Conservation License to access most State lands. This includes all MT FWP Fishing Access Sites (FAS) located along the Blackfoot River and applies to you and your staff as well as any clients accompanying you onto State lands.
4. All glass containers are prohibited on the Blackfoot River and at access sites.

All Blackfoot Special Recreation Permits are under the authority of ARM 12.11.6501 thru 12.11.6575 enforceable under 23-1-106, 87-1-301, 87-1-303 MCA. Failure to comply with any portion of the Blackfoot Special Recreation Permit requirements may result in revocation of current and future permits, imposed restrictions and or citation.