

Black Bear



Black Bear Seasons

Wildlife Management Unit	Resident and Non-Resident — Open Season
1A, 1C, 1D, 2–6, 7A [^] , 7B, 8–10, 11A, 11B, 12–19, 21–50, 53–64, 66–69, 71–76	May 1 to June 15
82A*, 83, 84*	May 1 to May 7
1A, 1C, 1D, 2–6, 7A [^] , 7B, 8–10, 11A, 11B, 12–19, 21–45	August 15 to October 31
46, 47, 49, 50, 53, 64, 66, 67, 69, 71–76	September 2 to November 30
48, 54–63, 68	September 1 to November 30

[^] Only bows and muzzle-loading guns are permitted in WMU 7A.

* Indicates bear hunting is only permitted in the geographic townships of Keppel and Sarawak in WMU 82A, the geographic township of Amabel in WMU 84.

Note: The shooting of cubs or female bears accompanied by a cub is not permitted during the spring season.

Black Bear Hunting Requirements

Anyone wishing to hunt black bear must have the following:

- Outdoors Card
- Black Bear Licence listed on your Licence Summary
- Black Bear Tag, or be party hunting with a person who has a valid Bear Tag
- proof of firearm accreditation (if you are hunting with a gun)

In addition, non-residents are also required to have a Black Bear Hunting Validation Certificate.

Note: A licensed trapper is permitted to hunt black bear under the authority of the Trapping Licence and in the area designated on the licence.

Black Bear Hunting Regulations

Tagging and Transporting

Go to the Tags section (p.19) for details on tagging and transporting. Black Bear Licences and tags are valid for both the spring or fall season.

Mandatory Hunter Reporting

Go to the Mandatory Hunter Reporting section (p.22) for details on timelines and how to submit your report. Resident hunters should note that the reporting requirements have changed.