Crossing The Border

What You Need

All travelers crossing the border must present documents that are Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHITI) compliant. Those documents include:

- U.S. citizens must present a U.S. Passport, Enhanced Drivers License*, U.S. Passport Card, or NEXUS Card.
- U.S. Resident Aliens must present a Canadian Passport, Enhanced Drivers License*, or NEXUS Card.
- Citizens from countries other than Canada or the United States must present a valid passport and a current I-94 or an I-94W.
- Those who present non-WHTI compliant documents must present a Canadian Passport, Enhanced Drivers License*, or NEXUS Card.

* For a list of states and provinces who currently issue Enhanced I-94 forms are available at the Port of Entry for $6.00 U.S. currency and all major credit cards are accepted. Canadian currency is not accepted.

Special restrictions apply when crossing the border with pets, defensive sprays, alcohol, firewood, and purchases. All firearms residents. All others must carry a valid passport.

Persons seeking to travel beyond the Goat Haunt Ranger Station into the United States must present documents that are Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative compliant.

The Goat Haunt Port of Entry will operate between 10:30 a.m., and 5 p.m. No entry into the United States past the Goat Haunt Ranger Station will be authorized outside of the port's hours of operation. Hikers traveling north into Canada from the United States are required to contact the Chief Mountain Port of Entry upon their arrival at the Waterton townsite. Information on contacting the Port of Entry is available at the Waterton Lakes Visitor Centre or the Waterton Station of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Border Crossing Dates and Times

Times are subject to change and travelers should check to be sure about crossing times.

- Roosville................................. open 24 hours west of the park on Highway 93, north of Whitefish, MT and south of Fernie, B.C.
- Piegan/Carway.......................... 7 am–11 pm east of the park at the joining of U.S. Highway 89 with Alberta Highway 2
- Chief Mountain
  - May 15–May 31 ...................... 9 am–6 pm
  - June 1–Sept. 1 ....................... 7 am–10 pm
  - Sept. 2–Sept. 30 ................. 9 am–6 pm
  - Octobre 1 .................... closed for season

Goat Haunt Travel

Travel between Waterton Lakes National Park, Canada and the Goat Haunt Ranger Station, either by boat or by foot on the Waterton Lake Trail, will require an official government issued photo identification card for U.S. or Canadian citizens or permanent residents. All others must carry a valid passport.