

**Salmon-Challis National Forest**  
**2024 Mushroom Season**  
May 20, 2024

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Permits and information pertaining to mushroom harvesting will be available at the North Fork Ranger District, the Leadore Ranger District and the Forest Supervisor's office.

The Salmon-Challis National Forest is expecting morel mushrooms this year due to the Hayden Fire. Morel mushrooms often fruit prolifically in the years after an area has been burned by wildfire, however the morel mushroom season varies depending on local weather conditions.

The type of permit required varies based on the amount to be collected. One type of permit will be available for the 2024 mushroom season, Personal Use-Free. Individuals may also harvest mushrooms at Incidental Use levels without a permit. See table below.

Personal-use permits are available at the North Fork Ranger District, the Leadore Ranger District and the Forest Supervisor's office.

**Personal Use permits are only valid on Forest Service lands.**

**Frequently Asked Questions:**

**Q.** Why do I need a personal permit?

**A.** Because National Forests are owned by the American people and as such, we strive to be fair and equitable to all Americans. The permit system allows for all citizens to collect the same amount of products.

**Q.** If I have a personal use permit, where can I pick mushrooms?

**A.** Anywhere on the Salmon-Challis NF is open to personal use mushroom harvest.

**Q.** Why do I need to slice my mushrooms in half when harvesting for personal use?

**A.** Personal use mushrooms are required to be sliced in half because they are not allowed to be re-sold.

	Personal Use Free	Incidental
Permit Required	YES, permit is required for each person 12 years and older to collect mushrooms anywhere on the Forest.	NO
Season or Permit Length	Calendar Year 2024	Calendar Year 2024
Minimum Charge	\$0.00	Not Applicable
Maximum Charge	\$0.00	Not Applicable
Maximum Amount	5 gallons per day in possession  20 Gallons total per person per season	1 gallon per day in possession  5 gallons total per person, per season
Other Requirements	All mushrooms must be sliced lengthwise in half at the time of harvesting. Resale of mushrooms is prohibited.	All mushrooms must be sliced lengthwise in half at the time of harvesting. Resale of mushrooms is prohibited.