

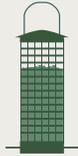
AVOIDING BLACK BEAR CONFLICTS

While hundreds of bear conflicts are reported each year, many can be prevented by simply **removing** or **securing** common bear attractants each spring.

1 REMOVE & STORE INSIDE BETWEEN APRIL 1 AND NOVEMBER 1

2 SECURE & CLEAN

BIRD SEED



- Take bird feeders down
- Store seed and feeders indoors (you can still feed birds in the winter)

- Rake up bird seed from the ground

GARBAGE



- Store garbage cans in a building or enclosed by electric fence
- Take to curb on morning of pick-up

- Keep outbuilding and garage doors closed at all times
- Dumpster lids and doors should be kept closed and latched
- Use bear-resistant dumpsters or garbage cans

GRILLS



- Store grill inside when not in use
- If you are having bear conflicts, stop grilling until bear moves on

- Burn off food residue
- Dispose of food wrappers and grease cups

LIVESTOCK & PET FOOD



- Store livestock and pet food inside
- Feed pets inside

- If you feed your pets or livestock outside:
- Clean dishes daily
 - Remove leftover food daily



If you have an issue with a bear and need assistance, contact the Warden Service dispatch center closest to you.

Augusta	1.800.452.4664
Dover-Foxcroft	1.800.432.7327
Gray	1.800.228.0857
Houlton	1.800.924.2261
Bangor	1.800.432.7381

