

NORTH SHORE
BLACK
BEAR
SOCIETY

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A bear was recently sighted in your neighbourhood.

Here is what you need to do:



Store **garbage and organics** bins inside a shed or garage until collection morning. Freeze meat, fish, bones & grease.



Place all **food scraps** in the organics bin, not the garbage.



Remove **bird feeders**.



Pick or donate **fruit** early.



Keep **fridges and freezers** inside.



Clean **barbeques** after cooking.



Keep **pet food** inside.



Surround **chicken coops and beehives** with electric fences.

It is our responsibility to manage attractants on our property. Feeding bears, even unintentionally, is against the law. **Bylaw fines can be up to \$500.**



Relocation is not a solution.

See a black bear in your neighbourhood? Black bears travel extensively in search of food, and it is normal for them to pass through residential areas. Problems can occur when they gain access to unnatural food sources and they remain in urban areas.

Relocation doesn't work—bears that are removed usually return to the area.

Every year bears are killed on the North Shore for finding food in our community, and another bear will move in if attractants remain.

The answer is to manage wildlife attractants and prevent bears from finding food in neighbourhoods.

If you meet a bear:

Remain calm, speak calmly to the bear, back away slowly and report the sighting to the North Shore Black Bear Society. **Remember that bears are wild animals—respect their space and do not approach for a photograph.**

Thank you for helping keep wildlife wild.

Scan here, or visit **northshorebears.com** for more info about co-existing with bears.



Report bear or attractant sightings to the North Shore Black Bear Society:

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