

# Be Bear Aware



## When visiting this area:

- Make noise while hiking.
- Hike in groups.
- Leash dogs.

## If you see a bear:

- Make enough noise so the bear is aware of your presence.
- Never approach a bear.

## If the bear does not leave:

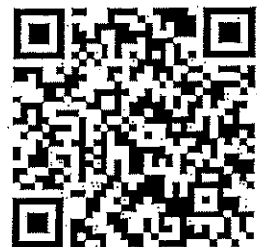
- Back away slowly.
- Never run or climb a tree.

## If the bear approaches, be offensive:

- Make more noise, wave your arms, and throw objects at the bear.
- Black bears rarely attack humans. If you are attacked, do not play dead. Fight back with anything available.



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## Black Bear Sighting Report Form

If you have seen a black bear in Connecticut, you can use the form below to report your sighting to the DEEP's Wildlife Division. If you need immediate assistance concerning a black bear, you should call the DEEP's 24-hour hotline at 860-424-3333.

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### Connecticut Wildlife Division Black Bear Report Form

Use the tab key to move between fields. Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) must be filled in. Before submitting the report, please check your entries and select "Yes" to indicate that your report is complete.



Date of Observation\*  Time of Observation

Town where bear was observed \*

Exact location\*   
(Street Address, closest intersection, or landmark)

How many bears did you see?

Did the bear have ear tags?  Yes  No  Not Sure

If you saw ear tags, briefly describe the color and any numbers/letters you could see on the tags.

Additional Comments

Please tell us how we can contact you if we need additional information.

Name\*

Telephone\*

E-mail

Report Complete?\*

\* Fields must be filled in.

#### If your browser is unable to process this form:

1. Print this page, fill it out and mail it to:

Connecticut Wildlife Division  
Sessions Woods WMA  
P.O. Box 1550  
Burlington, CT 06013-1550

2. Or, call the Wildlife Division by phone at: 860-424-3011, between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm, Monday-Friday.

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