## BEAR SAFETY FOR CAMPERS

## Welcome to Seward!

We are so glad you are here and chose Seward for your adventure. In addition to the amazing scenery, you may also

encounter our furry, nosey neighbors--black bears or brown bears. We recognize that we share this space with Alaska wildlife. Here are some tips to help keep from attracting bears to your campsite and how to be a good neighbor while visiting.

- Secure all scented items.
  - Make sure food, pet food and scented items are secured in your camper or locked in your car- never left outside. Do not store food, trash, or scented items in your tent.
- Proper trash disposal.

Secure all trash. Do not leave trash outside or unattended. Dispose of all trash in a secure trash can and do not overfill trash cans.

Never approach wildlife.

If you see wildlife, give them space as they are unpredictable. Be mindful of your surroundings as you are going in and out of your campsite in order to not surprise wildlife. Sows (mother bears) can be very protective- do not get in between a sow and a cub.

Be prepared for wildlife encounters.

Carry bear spray and know how to use it.

You can rent or purchase bear spray at local businesses such as:

- Seward Outdoor Store
  Seward Bike Shop
- The Fish House
  Adventure 60 North

**Going Hiking? Review This** Resource:





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