

**Prevent Problems with Black Bears**  
**REMOVE & STORE INSIDE**

-  Bird Feeders and Bird Seed
-  Garbage Cans
-  Grills and Coolers
-  Pet and Livestock Food

Keep dumpster lids closed and latched



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When natural foods are scarce, especially in the spring or dry summers, bears will venture into backyards and fields in search of easily accessible food such as bird feeders, garbage, grills and pet foods. Take these steps to avoid damage to your property. For more information, visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)



Prevent conflicts with bears by storing your grill inside when not in use and by properly disposing of wrappers, grease and other trash. For more tips, visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)



Avoid conflicts with bears and prevent damage to your property by removing or securing common bear attractants. Removing these food sources will also limit other backyard visitors. For more information, visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)



Garbage is one of the most common backyard attractants. Prevent damage to your property by bringing in trash cans and keeping them in a secured building. For more tips, visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)



While hundreds of conflicts between bears and people are reported each year in Maine, many can be prevented by simply removing or securing common bear attractants. For more information, visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)



Avoid conflicts with black bears by taking down bird feeders and storing seed indoors between April 1 and November 1. For more tips, visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)



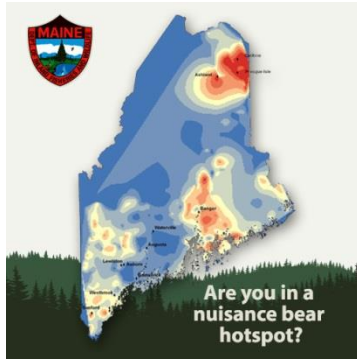
Black bears in Maine are most active between April 1 and November 1. To avoid conflicts and damage to your property, take down bird feeders and store seed inside. For more information, visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)



Pet food and livestock feed are common attractants that lure bears to your property. Avoid conflicts by cleaning up and storing feed in a secured building. For more tips, visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)



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Maine has a growing black bear population and more and more bears are being found in urban areas. For information about how to avoid conflicts with bears and damage to your property, please visit [www.mefishwildlife.com](http://www.mefishwildlife.com)