



Be Bear Wise:

Bears love *fast food and leftovers.*

Food service operations such as restaurants, fast-food establishments and highway snack bars often have substantial amounts of garbage behind their buildings, or stored nearby. Black bears are attracted to the smell of human food and garbage, and often come around, foraging for an easy meal. It's wise to take steps to help prevent this from happening.

In an immediate emergency call your local police or 911. To report bear problems call:

1 866 514-2327

(1 866 514-BEAR)

TTY 705 945-7641

For more information, visit our website:

bears.mnr.gov.on.ca

What your food business can do:

- Empty garbage containers frequently
- Use bear-proof containers wherever possible
- Lock dumpster lids every night
- During early spring and late fall, keep garbage behind closed doors in a garage, basement or storage area
- Put garbage out on the morning of collection day, not the night before
- Avoid stockpiling garbage. This is a sure way to attract bears
- If your business takes its own garbage to the dump, make sure that it is stored behind securely closed doors and take it to the dump frequently
- Clean your garbage containers frequently and thoroughly. Use disinfectant to eliminate odours