



## TATSHENSHINI-ALSEK RIVER BEAR REPORT GLACIER BAY NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE

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### GUIDE TO BEAR REPORTING FOR RIVER TRAVELERS

The National Park Service (NPS) uses NPS Form 10-405, "Tatshenshini-Alsek River Bear Report" to record any bear sightings during your trip. Please refer to the back of this page for help in filling out the form. **Mark the location of any bear sightings made by your group with an "X" and mark the locations of your campsites with a "C" on the attached maps. GPS locations are especially helpful. Please be sure to record the datum in which the points were collected.**



At the end of your trip please return your bear report forms along with your trip survey form to the Dry Bay Ranger, Glacier Bay National Park, or Kluane National Park. If you encounter dirty campsites left by previous users or observe unsafe or inappropriate behavior by other groups please report this information as well. **If you have a serious conflict with a bear such as a bear causing injury to a person, obtaining food, or causing major property damage, please use the emergency contact information listed below as soon as possible to report the incident.** The continued safety of future visitors and bears along the Tatshenshini Alsek River corridor is the responsibility of all users.

#### CONTACTS:

##### In Kluane National Park:

**To report bear-human conflicts, call:**  
1-867-634-7279 (8am to 5pm, leave message)

**24hrs Emergency:**  
1 -877-852-3100 (toll free)

##### **Park Mailing Address:**

Kluane National Park  
P.O. Box 5495  
Haines Junction, Yukon  
Y0B 1L0

##### In Glacier Bay National Park and Tatshenshini-Alsek Park:

**To report bear-human conflicts, call:**  
1-907-697-2627 (7am to 9pm, leave message)

**24hrs Emergency:**  
1 -907-697- 2651

##### **Park Mailing Address:**

Glacier Bay National Park  
Attn: Bear Management  
P.O. Box 140  
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- Group Name** Please indicate your group name and/or trip leader's name along with your start date.
- Sighting Number** Use the Sighting Number to identify the bear location on the map provided on the back of the sighting form.
- Date** Enter the date using Day/Month/Year format.
- Time** Enter the time using 24-hr clock format.
- Species** If you are **certain** of the species circle the appropriate option, otherwise circle unknown. Note: grizzly includes both interior grizzly and coastal brown bears.
- Total Number** Enter the total number of bears seen together.
- Bear Unit Type** If you can determine that the bear(s) were adult or subadults or family groups circle the appropriate option. If you are uncertain circle unknown, if the available options do not describe the bears that you saw also circle unknown and describe in Comments section.
- Distance to Bear** Estimate the minimum distance between you and the bear(s) in meter.
- Bear Aware of Group** Was the bear(s), at any point aware of you? Circle "Yes" or "No"
- Bear Reaction to Group** If the bear(s) was aware of you circle the appropriate option describing its reaction. If the bear(s) reaction does not fit any option circle other and describe in Comments section.
- Activity of Group** Circle the option describing your activity at time of sighting the bear(s). If you were involved in an activity other than the available options circle other and describe in Comments section.
- Number in Group** Enter the number of people in your group observing the bear(s).
- Comments** If you choose the option "other" describe here. Please describe location and if bear was observed from camp, please indicate which campsite. Please include additional comments that you feel are important in this section.

Your cooperation in reporting bear observations and interactions on the river will enhance the safety of future rafters as well as protection of bears. Bear sighting data helps us determine bear movements, habitat use, and species distribution, as well as gain valuable insight on population dynamics. First-hand accounts of how bears respond to people are important in understanding and detecting changes in bear behavior and identifying potential problem areas. We value any comments and insights you may have based on your experience on the Tatshenshini and Alsek River. Thank you for your participation!

If you would like this bear report mailed to you after the data is copied, please provide a return address here:

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Please fill out one line for every bear sighting. If a bear entered camp, approached people, damaged gear, obtained food, and/or was aggressive, after completing this form you must also fill out NPS Form 406 "Glacier Bay Bear Information Management Report"



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**GROUP NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **TAKE-OUT DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Sight No.	Date (D/M/Y)	Time in 24 hr Clock	Species	Total No. Seen	Bear Unit Type	Dist. to Bear (m)	Bear Aware of Group?	Bear Reaction to Group	Activity of Group	No of Observers	Location Description/ Campsite Name / GPS position / Other Comments
1			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
2			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
3			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
4			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
5			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
6			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
7			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
8			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
9			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		
10			GR/BL/UN		1 2 3 4 5		Yes / No / Unknown	1 2 3 4 5 6	1 2 3 4 5		

**CODES**

**Species**  
GR = Grizzly  
BL = Black  
UN = Unknown

**Bear Unit Type**  
1 = Subadult(s)  
2 = Adult(s)  
3 = Female/cubs of year  
4 = Female/older cubs  
5 = Other or Unknown

**Bear Reaction to Group**  
1 = No Reaction  
2 = Walked Towards  
3 = Ran Towards  
4 = Walked Away  
5 = Ran Away  
6 = Other or Unknown

**Activity of Group**  
1 = In Raft on River  
2 = In Camp  
3 = Rest Break  
4 = Hiking  
5 = Other or Unknown

**Note:** Please mark sighting location on map, and please note in comments if bear was on opposite side of the river.



## NOTICES

### PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT

We are collecting this information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501) and 36 CFR 1-7, 12 and 13 which authorize the National Park Service to request applicants to fill out this form to monitor resources in the Glacier Bay National Park and Preserve. This information is being collected to allow the Park management to make judgements necessary to enhance the safety and enjoyment of both the visitors and wildlife. You are not required to respond to this or any other Federal agency-sponsored information collection unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

### ESTIMATED BURDEN STATEMENT

Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate, or any aspects of this form or instructions, to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, National Park Service, 1201 Oakridge Drive, Fort Collins, CO 80525.



**INSERT UPDATED MAPS STARTING HERE**

**ATTACH PHOTOGRAPHS HERE**