

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 Gustavus, AK. 99826

Please indicate your group name and/or trip leader's name along with your start date. **Group Name** Use the Sighting Number to identify the bear location on the map provided on the back of the sighting **Sighting Number** form. Enter the date using Day/Month/Year format. Date Enter the time using 24-hr clock format. Time If you are certain of the species circle the appropriate option, otherwise circle unknown. Note: grizzly **Species** includes both interior grizzly and coastal brown bears. Enter the total number of bears seen together. **Total Number** If you can determine that the bear(s) were adult or subadults or family groups circle the appropriate **Bear Unit Type** 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. Estimate the minimum distance between you and the bear(s) in meter. **Distance to Bear** Was the bear(s), at any point aware of you? Circle "Yes" or "No" **Bear Aware of Group** If the bear(s) was aware of you circle the appropriate option describing its reaction. If the bear(s) **Bear Reaction to Group** 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. Enter the number of people in your group observing the bear(s). **Number in Group** 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:

in comments if bear was on

opposite side of the river.



GROUP NAME:

BL = Black

UN = Unknown

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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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TAKE-OUT DATE:

2 = In Camp

4 = Hiking

3 = Rest Break

5 = Other or Unknown

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		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
2			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
3			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
4			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
5			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
6			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
7			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
8			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
9			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
10			GR/BL/UN		12345		Yes / No / Unknown	123456	12345		
CODES											
Spec GR =	ies Grizzly		Bear Unit Type 1 = Subadult(s)				Bear Reaction to Group 1 = No Reaction		Activity of Group 1 = In Raft on River		

2 = Walked Towards

6 = Other or Unknown

3 = Ran Towards

4 = Walked Away

5 = Ran Away

2 = Adult(s)

3 = Female/cubs of year

4 = Female/older cubs

5 = Other or Unknown

NOTICES

Authority: 54 U.S.C.100101. National Park Service and Related Programs.

Purpose: To allow the National Park Service to make value judgments necessary to enhance the safety of future visitors and to protect the bear population at the park. Information collected will be used to provide the public and permittees with permit-related information, to monitor activities conducted under a permit, to analyze data and produce reports to monitor the use park resources, to assess the impact of permitted activities on the conservation and management of protected species and their habitats, and to evaluate the effectiveness of the permit program.

Routine Uses: In addition to those disclosures generally permitted under 5 U.S.C.552a(b) of the Privacy Act, records or information contained in this system may be disclosed outside the National Park Service as a routine use pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)(3) to other Federal, State, territorial, local, tribal, or foreign agencies and other authorized organizations and individuals based on an authorized routine use when the disclosure is compatible with the purpose for which the records were compiled as described under the system of records notice for this system.

Disclosure: Voluntary, however, failure to provide the requested information may impede our ability to enhance the safety of future visitors and to protect the bear population at the park.

PAPERWORK EDUCTION 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 require 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 value judgments necessary to enhance the safety and enjoyment of both the visitors and wildlife. All applicable parts of the form must be completed in order for your request to be considered. You are not required to respond to this or any other Federal agency-sponsored information collection unless it displays a currently valid 0MB 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, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive (MS-244) Herndon, VA 20171.

INSERT UPDATED MAPS STARTING HERE

