



Palos Verdes Estates Police Department

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HOME & YARD CHECKLIST FOR COYOTE ATTRACTANTS

Complete the checklist to identify areas on your property that may need improvements to reduce Coyote populations in your area; improve any condition for which you answer “Yes.” Take steps toward eliminating attractants on your property in order to minimize conflicts with Coyotes. Share this information with your friends and neighbors because minimizing conflicts is most effective when the entire neighborhood works together.

Report Coyote sightings to the Palos Verdes Estates Police Department at 310-378-4211

COMMON ATTRACTANTS	Yes	No	CONDITIONS OR HABITS THAT MAY ATTRACTION COYOTES
FOOD SOURCES			
Never hand-feed or intentionally feed a coyote!			
Pet Food	Circle one		Do you feed your pet outside or leave pet food outside unattended? Do you leave dog treats or bones out?
	Yes	No	
Water Sources	Yes	No	Do you have pet water bowls or unnecessary water sources on your property, or fish ponds without nets covering the water?
Bird Feeders	Yes	No	Do you have bird feeders with fallen seed on the ground which could attract birds for Coyotes to prey on?
Fallen Fruit	Yes	No	Do you have fallen fruit around trees that can be a food source?
Compost	Yes	No	Do you include meat or dairy products within compost contents that could attract or feed Coyotes? Other food attractants?
BBQ Grills	Yes	No	Is your barbecue grill uncleaned with food or wrappers left out?
Trash	Yes	No	Do you leave your trash containers out? With lids open? (Periodically clean cans to reduce residual food or trash odors)
LANDSCAPING			
Trim vegetation to reduce hiding places and potential denning sites.			
Structures and Out Buildings	Yes	No	Do you have an access space under a house, deck or shed, or around woodpiles, or any other structure that can provide cover or denning sites for Coyotes or their prey?
FENCING			
Enclose property with an 6-foot fence to deter Coyotes from entering your yard. Ensure that there are no gaps, and that the bottom of the fence extends underground 6 inches or is fitted with a metal mesh apron to deter Coyotes from digging underneath.			
Fencing Around Yards	Yes	No	Do low fences, walls, or gates enable Coyotes to enter your yard?
Gates	Yes	No	Do you leave gates open through which a Coyote can enter your yard?
PETS			
Never leave pets unattended outside			
Pet/Coyote Interaction	Yes	No	Do you permit your pets to “play” or interact with Coyotes?
Kennels	Yes	No	Do you have an outdoor pet kennel that is not fully enclosed?
Walking Pets on Leash	Yes	No	Do you sometimes walk your pet on a long leash or no leash? (Pets can be snatched by Coyotes if not watched, on a short leash)
Animal Waste	Yes	No	At home, do you sometimes or often fail to clean up after your pet or leave animal waste in your yard? (Coyotes are attracted to areas where animal waste is present because of the potential food source of the waste producing animal.)