



About those coyotes...Please be aware... It is pup season!

Coyotes are now raising their pups and can be more territorial as they guard their mates, dens, pups and food sources.

What you should know:

Coyotes may try to escort you out of an area to protect their pups or food sources when you encounter them on a trail.

They may also view your pet as prey or as a predator.

As people and their pets spend more time outdoors, the possibility of a coyote interaction increases.

Coyotes can be found in Broomfield's open space, parks, neighborhoods, and even commercial areas.



To keep coyotes wild while keeping yourself and pets safe, please follow these pointers:

- Never feed coyotes – it is illegal to feed coyotes in Broomfield based on Colorado Division of Wildlife (CDOW) Regulations. Feeding endangers your family and neighbors as feeding lures coyotes into neighborhoods.
- Keep unattended cats and dogs indoors or in completely enclosed runs, especially at night and do not assume that a fence will keep a coyote out of your back yard.
- Accompany your leashed pet outside and make sure you turn on lights if it is dark to check your back yard for unexpected wildlife.
- Keep dogs on short leashes while walking and attended outside; the Division of Wildlife recommends a leash no longer than 6 feet.

- Have noisemakers such as whistles and horns on hand to scare away coyotes that may enter your yard.
- Don't run away or turn your back on a coyote.
- Do not allow a coyote to get in between you and your pet or child—keep children close to you.
- Yell, clap hands, blow a whistle and try to make yourself look larger if you have a close encounter with a coyote.
- Note where and when you have an encounter with a coyote. Coyotes often follow routines. Avoid this area in the future if the encounter was negative.
- Habituated coyotes are sometimes a neighborhood issue. Work with your neighbors and homeowners association, if applicable, to make sure attractants such as fallen fruit, pet food left outside, dirty barbecue grills, and unsecured trash or compost are removed so that negative coyote interactions are minimized. *Be sure no one is intentionally feeding coyotes.*

Please see the Co-Existence with Coyotes Video at www.broomfield.org and access additional information at www.broomfield.org/openspace/wildlife

For general information or concerns about coyotes, call the Colorado Division of Wildlife at 303-291-7227. (The office is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.)

For additional information about coyotes, access the Broomfield Wildlife Masters Volunteer Program. Call the Wildlife Help Line at 303-464-5554 and be prepared to leave a message. Your call will be returned.

To report a coyote emergency where there has been an attack on a human, dial 9-1-1 and speak to the Broomfield Police.

To report the loss of a dog, cat, or other type of pet by a coyote, contact the Colorado Division of Wildlife at 303-291-7227. If the pet was attacked while on a leash, you may also call the Broomfield Police Animal Control Unit at 303-464-5557.

For information about public health questions related to wildlife, call the Broomfield Public Health and Environment Division at 720-887-2236.

For questions about the Co-Existence with Wildlife Policy, call the Broomfield Open Space and Trails Division at 303-438-6216.