

WHAT TO DO ABOUT COYOTES

Urban coyotes prowl neighborhoods boldly. They have lost their fear of humans. They favor dawn and dusk but have been seen much later some mornings. The Humane Society recommends “hazing” to discourage coyotes, making visits to the neighborhood unpleasant for them. A variety of actions are needed, as they become accustomed to one thing.

BE VERY CAREFUL

- With children
- With pets
- When walking or biking through the neighborhood
 - Carry a noisemaker—loud whistle, air horn, or just be prepared to yell loudly
 - Carry a flashlight—shine directly at animal
 - Carry pepper spray or small rocks to throw
- Make sure no pet food is left outside your house—**PUT ALL FOOD WASTE IN CLOSED CONTAINER—TRASH BAGS WILL BE RIPPED OPEN**
- Make sure no fruit is left on the ground around fruit trees

WHAT COYOTES AVOID

Motion activated lights

Loud noises

Blinking lights or strobe lights

Ammonia—soak rags, or spray around (replenish after rain)

Vinegar (as above)

IF YOU ENCOUNTER A COYOTE, DO NOT RUN AWAY!

Start yelling and waving your arms and walking toward the animal.

Make as much noise as you can.

Bang pots and pans together.

Throw small rocks, sticks, or balls toward the animal.

Keep going until animal is well out of Bay Hills.

If coyote is in your yard you can also spray it with your hose.

SAVE THIS INFORMATION.

This information has been verified with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission.