

Watch out for Moose!

Moose are not normally aggressive towards people but do sometimes show aggression or charge when stressed, if they become food-conditioned or when people venture too close. Make sure everyone in your family knows about moose safety!



Respect a Moose's Personal Space: Stay back! Moose can become very dangerous if they feel cornered or threatened. Be extra careful around a cow moose with a calf. Don't try to walk past a moose or make it move. Be safe and take a different route, or wait.

If a Moose Charges or Chases You: Run – as long as you have a head start. Hide behind something solid like a tree.

If a Moose Knocks You Down: Curl into a ball, protect your head, and lie still until the moose retreats.

Please don't feed moose! Feeding moose can make them dangerous and ornery, plus it's against the law. Tell an adult if you see someone feeding a moose.



Is that moose upset?

When a moose is angry, its ears go back and the hair on its neck goes up, like this moose on the left. A really angry moose might lick its lips. Back away from an angry or stressed moose. Run or get behind a tree if a moose comes after you!

Parents: Plan a safe route to school for your child. Consider walking with your children or driving them to school, particularly if moose have been seen regularly nearby. Be alert for moose at all times. Slow down when driving so you don't hit a moose!

For more moose safety information, visit www.adfg.alaska.gov. Email elizabeth.manning@alaska.gov for free copies of a moose safety DVD or view online at www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=livewith.aggressivemoose.

