



Guides, Outfitters, and Forest Visitors:

Mexican gray wolves have been reintroduced into the Apache National Forest in Arizona and are expected to disperse into the Gila National Forest in New Mexico.

Mexican gray wolves are protected under the Endangered Species Act. Care should be exercised when hunting or trapping in wolf recovery areas to avoid killing or injuring a Mexican gray wolf. Hunters should be sure of their target.

For more information on the Mexican gray wolf recovery program, contact the Fish and Wildlife Service at 505/248-6656 or 505/248-6664 or the Arizona Game and Fish Department in Pinetop, Arizona, at 520/367-4281.

For law enforcement issues, contact your local game warden. To report sightings or incidents, call the 24-hour Mexican Wolf Hotline at 1-888/459-9653.

Recommendations

- Respect posted wildlife closures.
- Treat wolves and other wild animals with respect.
- Never feed a wild animal. Keep food and garbage in airtight containers.
- Dispose of gray water at least 100 yards from camp.
- Keep dogs under control at all times and leashed when possible.
- Should you hear or see wolves near your camp:

Contain dogs in tent or vehicle, *if possible*.

Frighten or harass wolves away, *if necessary*.

You may legally:

- harass a wolf without injuring it, but you must report it within seven days;
- kill or injure a wolf that is killing, wounding, or biting your cattle, sheep, horses, mules, or burros on your private or tribal land, but you must report it within 24 hours;
- kill, injure, or harass a wolf in defense of human life, but you must report it within 24 hours.

You may not legally:

- kill or injure a wolf just because it is near you or your property;
 - kill or injure a wolf that attacks your pet;
 - kill or injure a wolf feeding on dead livestock;
 - enter official closures around occupied release pens, active dens, and rendezvous sites;
 - shoot a wolf because you thought it was a coyote or something else (you are responsible for identifying your target before shooting);
- or**
- attempt to do any of the above actions or solicit someone else to do them.

Violations of the above rules may subject you to prosecution. Criminal penalties may be up to one year in jail and a fine of up to \$100,000.

