

# Bear Safety & Awareness



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**FROM:** MARITIME COLLEGE OF FOREST TECHNOLOGY  
**SUBJECT:** Wednesday, October 4th, 2023 at 1:00 PM course offering

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The Maritime College of Forest Technology's Department of Continuing Education is pleased to offer **Bear Safety & Awareness** training with Sarah Weatherby, as the instructor. The course date is **Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1:00 PM**. This half-day workshop will be delivered in Room 230 of Blenis Hall on the Fredericton Campus of MCFT, Hugh John Flemming Forestry Centre, 1350 Regent Street, Fredericton, NB. Specific course details, including an agenda, instructor profile, application form, and tuition costs, are included in the attached announcement.

Enrolment is open to the public. Anyone who works or recreates in woodlands or waterways will benefit from the safety knowledge presented during this course. The classroom session will be combined with a practical field session.

Past course participants have all commented on Sarah's excellent presentation technique and the quality of the information provided. Participant numbers are limited to 25 per course. Private sessions for your industry or agency will be entertained on a case-by-case basis.

If you have any questions or wish to reserve a seat on this or any other course, please email [ce@mcft.ca](mailto:ce@mcft.ca).

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**DATE:** Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 1:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Blenis Hall, Room 230, Maritime College of Forest Technology, 1350 Regent St., Fredericton NB. E3C 2G6

**OBJECTIVES:** This program is designed to help participants:

- Understand the dangers that exist in and around woodlands with respect to bears.
- Demonstrate and practice the procedures to help avoid contact with bears.
- Show and demonstrate appropriate safety actions to take when confronted by bears.

**CANDIDATES:** This program is open to the public and designed for people whose work or recreation will take them into or near any wooded areas and waterways where bears live. This is often closer to cities and rural communities than one typically realizes.

**FORMAT:** **Bear Safety & Awareness** training will be conducted in an informal manner. The training will combine a classroom session covering bear biology, behaviour, avoidance and dealing with aggressive animals, and a practical field session on the safe use of deterrents. This clearly and logically presented material was highly praised by previous course participants for its hands-on and applicability to real-life situations.

**FACILITATOR:** Sarah Weatherby is the College Administrator for the Maritime College of Forest Technology (MCFT) in Fredericton, NB. She previously taught in the Forest Technology program, to both the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year students. She graduated from Dalhousie University in 2010 with a Bachelor of Technology degree in Environmental Horticulture.

After graduation she attended MCFT and graduated with a forest technician diploma. Upon graduation she worked for the Canadian Forest Service (CFS) on a number of both native and non-native insect projects. She is published as a co-author in the Journal of Chemical Ecology for work she completed at CFS.

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**ENROLMENT:** Enrolment will be limited to 25 candidates on a first come-first served basis.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:**

MCFT has a room rental agreement in place with the Fredericton Inn. Please use the code **MCFT** when booking your room to get our discounted price.

**For reservations, please call 1-800-561-8777.**

**NUTRITION BREAK:**

MCFT will supply you with a nutrition break at approximately 2:00 PM, consisting of beverages and baked goods.

**TUITION:** Tuition for the program, including supplies, is \$189.00 + HST.

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*is equivalent to 4 Continuing Forestry Education Credits.*

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