BROWN BEAR ALERTS AND WARNINGS

In Hokkaido, when brown bears appear in or around urban areas* or cause injuries to people within the prefecture, alerts and warnings are issued to residents and visitors to prevent injuries, as per the Hokkaido Brown Bear Management Plan.

From "Guidelines for Issuing Brown Bear Alerts and Warnings," Hokkaido Government

Basis of Warnings			
	Issuance Criteria	**Target Area**	**Period**
Alert	• When there is a case of injury caused by a brown bear near or in an urban area*, or there is a high risk of such an injury occuring, such as when a brown bear who does not fear humans has been frequently sighted near or in an urban area*.	In principal, municipalities where brown bears have been sighted, or have caused harm. *Neighboring municipalities may be added as necessary, taking into consideration the geographical situation and damage.*	About 1 month *May be extended*
Warning	• When a brown bear is frequently sighted or damage is caused to agricultural products, etc. near or in an urban area*, or when traces of brown bears have been found on or near residential properties, and there are concerns of potential harm to residents. • When there is a case of injury caused by a brown bear outside of an urban area*.		
Cautionary Reminder	• When there is a need to remind the general public to take caution, such as during seasons when people have more opportunities to enter the mountains, and there is an increased risk of injury. • When there is a need to remind the general public to take caution due to local circumstances.	Set as needed	Set as needed

**Urban area* refers to downtown areas (urban areas, settlements, densely populated areas and their surrounding areas, etc.), school routes, parks used by an unspecified number of people, tourist facilities, and their surrounding areas.*



Information about "Brown Bear Alerts" and "Brown Bear Warnings" is posted on SNS and other media. Register for alerts and be prepared for brown bear sightings.

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