

ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION NEWSLETTER

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COYOTE SIGHTINGS ON THE RISE

Coyotes are part of the Lowcountry ecosystem and sightings have increased aboard MCRD Parris Island. Coyotes in the southeast region can average 35-55 pounds, with reddish tinges behind the ears and around the face, but coloration can vary from silver-gray to black (projectcoyote.org).

Q: Why Am I Seeing More Coyotes This Time of Year?

Coyotes have had pups; pups have grown now and are dispersing, i.e., on the move. Coyotes will feed on small rodents, small animals, wild fruits, insects and garbage. Coyotes are well adapted to living near humans, they are most active at night, but are also seen during the day.



Q: Is the Parris Island Community Safe?

Simply seeing a coyote is not cause for alarm. There have been no conflict incidents reported on Parris Island. Coyotes are a wild animals; the following tips will help to ensure everyone's safety.

TIPS FOR AVOIDING COYOTE ENCOUNTERS:

- DO NOT APPROACH COYOTES
- DO NOT ATTEMPT TO FEED COYOTES
- DO NOT LEAVE TRASH, PET FOOD, OR OTHER FOOD SOURCES OUTSIDE
- AVOID LEAVING UNATTENDED PETS OUTSIDE
 - DEPOT ORDER 10570.3B REQUIRES PETS TO BE SECURED BY A LEASH OR LEAD AND UNDER THE CONTROL OF A RESPONSIBLE PERSON

**CONTACT THE NATURAL RESOURCES TEAM
TO REPORT ANY UNUSUAL SIGHTINGS**