

BEAR SPRAY TRAINING COURSE SIGN PLACEMENT AND SIZES



Category 1 – Main Distance Signs. These are the signs farthest away in each course and need to be the biggest so people can read them correctly.

- A. One 60 ft sign 18” x 24”.
- B. One 30 ft sign 18” x 24”.
- C. One 15 ft sign 18” x 24”.

Category 2 – Additional Distance Markers. These signs precede the larger distance signs.

- A. One 30 ft sign 12” x 18”.
- B. Two 15 ft signs 9” x 11”.

Category 3 – Text Signs. These should be placed on the opposite side of the distance signs so they do not block each other.

- A. One **Start Spraying** 18” x 24”. Placed to the side of the main 60 ft distance sign.
- B. One **Spray Immediately** 12” x 18”. Placed to the side of the main 30 ft distance sign.
- C. One **Spray!** 9” x 14”. Placed to the side of the main 15 ft distance sign.
- D. Two **Bear Meets Cloud** 12” x 18”. One sign placed at the 30 ft mark of the 60-foot course, and the other sign at the 15 ft mark of the 30-foot course.
- E. Two **Keep Spraying** 9” x 28”. Placed about 7 feet out from the starting point and the 15 ft distance marker on both the 60-foot and 30-foot courses.
- F. One **Bear and Person in Cloud** 18” x 24”. Used with the 15-foot course illustrating when you are taken down by a bear and need to put both you and the bear in a cloud of bear spray.
- G. One **Person Under Bear Being Shaken & Dragged** 18” x 24”. Used with the 15-foot course illustrating someone has been taken down by a bear and you must spray both the bear and the person at close range.

BEAR SPRAY TRAINING COURSE SIGN ORDER FORM

Download Be Bear Aware's .pdf course sign file and provide it to whom you've selected to print your signs. The file is print ready and includes the fonts, the colors, and this list of sign sizes and quantities.

Distance Signs. Have a **yellow background** with **black lettering**

1. **60 ft.** Sign - 18" x 24". Quantity 1.
2. **30 ft.** Sign - 18" x 24". Quantity 1.
3. **15 ft.** Sign - 18" x 24". Quantity 1.
4. **30 ft.** Sign - 12" x 18". Quantity 1.
5. **15 ft.** Sign - 9" x 11". Quantity 2.

Text Signs. Have a **red background** with **white lettering**

6. **Start Spraying** 18" x 24". Quantity 1.
7. **Spray Immediately** 12" x 18". Quantity 1.
8. **Spray!** 9" x 14". Quantity 1.
9. **Bear Meets Cloud** 12" x 18". Quantity 2.
10. **Bear and Person in Cloud** 18" x 24". Quantity 1.
11. **Person Under Bear Being Shaken & Dragged** 18" x 24". Quantity 1.

Note: The sign base is **corrugated plastic**. Each sign comes with **wire sign holder** that fits inside of the corrugated plastic base. We cut them in half, giving you two sign holders, to bring the signs lower to the ground for better wind resistance and viewing.



If you have trouble ordering the signs, please email us at bearinfo@cfwi.org.

For Missoula area: Contact Adam at Staples on Reserve Street. 406-728-9558 or print.marketing0588@staples.com

BEAR SPRAY TRAINING COURSE ACCESSORIES

For Indoor Presentations we use 1½” x 1½” wooden planks cut into 12” lengths and notched at 6” to fit the signs snugly, using two planks per sign. For the larger main distance signs (the ones farthest away on each course), we use 24” wooden planks notched at 12” using three planks per sign.

The Yellow & Red Lines that we use to indicate the striping down the center is 4-inch-wide towing straps without the metal gear attached to it. Straps can be purchased from Harbor Freight stores. The first 15 feet is taped with red duct tape to indicate that distance is within immediate contact by the charging bear. The rest of the straps are left yellow representing great caution and sufficient distance to divert most charging bears.

The layout requires for the 60-foot course to have two 30-foot straps with the first 15 feet in red. The 30-foot course requires one 30-foot strap with the first 15 feet in red. The two 15-foot course scenarios share one strap that is all red to present both scenarios (when you are taken down by a bear, and, when someone else is taken down by a bear and you must spray both the person and the bear). Each 15-foot scenario uses a separate text sign.

Cut-Out Grizzly Bear Advanced Graphics has a grizzly bear on all fours and one standing that can be used in conjunction with your bear avoidance and bear spray training. <https://advancedgraphics.com/animals/>.

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Real Grizzly Bear Mount These are a little harder to come by. Hunting and fishing clubs often have members that have old mounts they are willing to donate or provide for events. If they donate to a school or youth group, they may be eligible for a tax deduction.

The Be Bear Aware Campaign is in the process of preparing electronic files of educational bear posters to use during presentations. Some of the categories will be campsite and food storage, bear signs, bear identification, etc.

BEAR SPRAY TRAINING COURSE LAYOUT



60 Foot Scenario



30 Foot Scenario



15 Foot Scenario #1

You are under bear & must spray



15 Foot Scenario #2

Someone else is under bear & you must spray

The four course scenarios can be set up side-by-side in the order of 60 foot, 30 foot, and 15 foot, the order in which your presentation will proceed. You can also set the courses up into four separate stations set apart so different presentation teams can work with separate groups simultaneously without interfering with each group.

We have also set the courses up so each individual station is in a wooded or bushy area that would be similar to where a bear encounter may take place. Look for a spot where you can visualize a bear coming out of the bushes, group of trees, or a ditch to simulate a real encounter.