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## Staff Quiz – Answer Sheet

1. **Used non-waxy cardboard with food residue, such as pizza boxes, should go in:**

- A) Cardboard recycling
- B) Compost
- C) Garbage
- D) Mixed-plastics recycling

*Answer: B. Non-waxy paper products with food residue should go in the compost collection. Waxy cardboard with food residue must go in the garbage (the wax contaminates cardboard recycling, and cardboard bins are not bear-proof).*

2. **List at least 3 key points for proper grease vessel maintenance.**

*Answer:*

- *Keep them secured at all times so bears cannot access grease.*
- *Make sure they are washed weekly with hot, soapy water and that any grease spills are promptly cleaned up.*
- *Report any maintenance issues to your manager.*

3. **If bear attractants are stored inside a secure building, is this considered to be bear-proof?**

*Answer: Yes. A secured building is one that is inaccessible to bears because the entry points are closed and bears cannot open them.*

4. **Is it OK to have a non-bear-proof garbage can on the patio deck during the day?**

*Answer: No! Bears are active even during the day. In the Whistler area, bears looking for food have even gone onto patios when people were dining!*

5. **How many calories does one standard drum full of cooking oil contain?**

- A) 2.7 million
- B) 9,000
- C) 1.6 million
- D) 57,000

*Answer: C. 1.6 million calories.*

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**6. List 5 bear attractants commonly found within a secured loading bay.**

*Answer:*

- *Used fryer oil*
- *Empty food/beverage/alcohol containers*
- *Recycling such as plastics, tin, glass, and food-contaminated cardboard*
- *Compost*
- *Garbage*
- *Food delivery items*

**7. A bear's sense of smell is:**

- A) 18 times more sensitive than a human's
- B) 2,100 times more sensitive than a human's
- C) 8,000 times more sensitive than a human's
- D) 120 times more sensitive than a human's

*Answer: B. 2,100 times.*

**8. On average, how many bears are killed each year due to conflict with humans in Whistler?**

- A) 29
- B) 3
- C) 9
- D) 17

*Answer: C. 9 bears a year.*

**9. True or false? It is OK to leave back-of-house access doors and windows open during the day because bears are less active during daylight. (Explain your answer.)**

*Answer: False. Bears are most active at night but are also active during the day, especially in the fall when they are feeding up to 20 hours a day.*

**10. True or false? It is OK to leave bus bins outside during the day with dirty dishes and food scraps in them until they are full and brought inside. (Explain your answer.)**

*Answer: False. Food scraps from plates and dirty dishes attract bears and should be cleared directly from the table to inside the restaurant.*

**11. If a bear enters a building with people inside, he or she is:**

- A) Relocated
- B) Killed
- C) Shooed out of the area
- D) Put in a zoo

*Answer: B. Under Conservation Officer Service policy, a bear that enters an occupied building is killed due to public safety concerns.*

12. List two regulations that require that attractants are inaccessible to bears, and state who enforces those regulations.

Answer:

- The Provincial Wildlife Act, enforced by the B.C. Conservation Officer Service.
- Whistler's Garbage and Attractant Bylaw 1861, enforced by RMOW Bylaw Services.

13. List at least 3 key points for maintaining a waste storage area.

Answer:

- Ensure that all waste storage areas are locked and secured at all times.
- Ensure that all access doors and latches are functioning properly.
- Ensure that the waste storage area is washed regularly with hot, soapy water to reduce odour.
- Report any concerns to management immediately.

14. True or false? Bears can climb up to doors, windows, and patios above the ground floor to find food (or reach other bear attractants).

Answer: True. Bears are great climbers and are naturally adept at scaling structures.

15. True or false? Bears are intelligent creatures capable of figuring out delivery routes and times.

Answer: True! Whistler bears have been known to figure out delivery times and routes so they can turn up just in time to heist the goods! Be ready to meet the delivery truck and ensure that all deliveries are promptly secured.

16. Complete the following sentences:

Answer:

If a bear is approaching the restaurant and it is safe to do so, the first thing to do is **yell at the bear** in an authoritative voice to **deter** the bear. If a bear has come onto the patio or is inside the restaurant, get everyone to a **safe location**, preferably inside the building with the doors **shut**, but without encroaching upon the bear's space and without blocking the bear's **escape route**. Do not let people **approach** the bear. Call **Conservation Officer Services** at 1-877-952-7277 or # 7277 on a cell phone, and wait for help to arrive.

17. A bear needs a space the size of \_\_\_\_\_ in order to gain access to an area.

- A) A soccer ball
- B) His or her rump
- C) A wheelbarrow
- D) His or her skull

Answer: D. Bears have the ability to squeeze into tight spaces. Once they get their head in, they can twist and contort to get the rest of their body through.