

## Alternatives

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Many users have found temporary hoisting systems such as those described in this report inadequate: suitable trees are not available, the systems take too long to set up, and lifting heavy objects into the air is inherently dangerous. Instead, they have selected alternative means to separate food from grizzly bears. What is permissible differs by jurisdiction, and whether wilderness is involved. Some agencies have installed permanent cross poles or other structures with and without winching systems;

provided permanent bear-resistant food storage boxes at campsites; or encouraged the use of portable bear-resistant panniers and backpack containers. For information on these alternative techniques, see sources listed below.

Another good alternative for hunters is to arrange ahead for prompt transport of game carcasses from the site of kill directly to a food locker in town, which eliminates the need to have the carcasses in camp at all.



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