

Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife respond to 700lb bull moose wandering in traffic

September through October is breeding season for moose and that motorists should be alert, especially at night.

Moose will step out onto a roadway without showing concern for oncoming traffic. At night, their dark body is difficult to see, and their eyes are much higher and generally not reflected back from headlights. Due to their weight and leg length, the body will often come through the windshield and onto the driver, making collisions extremely dangerous.



Massachusetts Division of Fisheries & Wildlife photo.

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Yesterday morning, a bull moose weighing approximately 700 pounds wandered through downtown Worcester. After receiving reports that the moose was involved in a minor car accident, the Massachusetts Environmental Police successfully immobilized him.

Our biologists relocated the moose to a nearby forested area and monitored him until the effects of the immobilizing drugs wore off. While moose sightings aren't usually cause for alarm, this moose was near busy roadways, and was moved for both the safety of the public and the moose. [Learn more](#)