



MAINE HOMEOWNER GUIDE

Raccoon Removal & Exclusion

A raccoon in an attic, chimney, garage, or structure requires attention to both the animal and the den site.

A complete raccoon plan considers the active entry, possible young, contamination, attractants, and the repair needed after the animal is gone.

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Evaluate den	Check young	Remove/evict	Clean safely	Seal & repair

Family groups matter

Female raccoons may den with young. MDIFW warns against separating a mother from dependent young and recommends identifying whether young are present before eviction.

Health considerations

Raccoons can carry rabies, and raccoon feces can contain *Baylisascaris* roundworm eggs. CDC advises avoiding contact with raccoon feces and taking precautions during latrine cleanup.

What Turcotte's does

Evaluate the den/entry area, determine an appropriate lawful removal or eviction method, confirm the structure is clear, then address the access point and related damage included in the scope.

Reduce repeat activity

Secure garbage, remove outdoor food sources, close access to attics/basements, and address water or shelter that may be attracting raccoons.

Removal. Repair. Prevention.
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Sources: Maine IF&W;; Raccoon / Evicting Animals; CDC: Preventing Raccoon Roundworm.
Educational summary current Sept. 2026. Wildlife laws, seasons and agency guidance can change; site-specific conditions control.