On Behalf of the Savannah River Site and the Department of Energy

WELCOME

To the Savannah River Site Deer Control Activities

Savannah River NUCLEAR SOLUTIONS℠
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Information Cesium-137

SRS monitors cesium levels in the environment and in all hogs/deer/coyotes released:

- Cesium is a radioactive element that exists in the earth's environment from historical atmospheric nuclear testing
- Some past SRS operations have resulted in small cesium releases to the environment

SRS monitors all animals for Cesium-137 content. Dose to hunters is tracked and animals will not be released that could cause you to exceed the conservative SRS limit. Cesium is a radioactive substance.

- In the history of SRS hunts, only one deer has ever failed to meet conservative release limits.

Shooting Safety 101

Unload firearms when not in use.

- Leave the actions open.
- Firearms must be carried empty to and from shooting areas.
- Load firearm only at start time.

Never point a firearm at anything you don’t want to shoot.

Safety on until ready to shoot.

Never climb a fence or tree, or jump a ditch or log with a loaded firearm.

Identify your target and what is beyond it.

- Know the identifying features of the game you hunt.
- Deer, hogs, coyotes – no turkeys!

Treat firearm with the same respect due a loaded firearm.

Use proper size ammunition for the firearm in use.

- 12/16 ga. w/buckshot <u>ONLY</u>, no slugs
- No 3½ shells allowed

Hand-Held Electronic Device use is prohibited while driving on all SRS roads.

Have your passenger operate all Hand Held Electronic Devices.

Hunters

- Hunters are required to wear international BLAZE ORANGE vest/coat <u>and</u> hat/cap

  (bright orange, not faded, visible dog pack number).
- Once placed at your stand, you are to remain there for the entire drive.
  - Standers must remain within 20 yards of stand.
  - Dog driver must remain within a ½ mile of stand.
  - Any hunter observed outside of their stand distance will be immediately removed from the hunt.

- Hunt stands are 900 feet apart.
- Don’t stand on roads/trails where vehicles travel.
- Smokers properly extinguish butts.
- Do not litter.
- Take pictures of harvested animals only. Pictures of facilities, structures or security badges are <u>not</u> allowed.
- Know the location of hunters in your area.
  - Refer to the map prior to departing.
  - Hunters <u>are required to yell</u> to alert other hunters of their location.
- Non-communication between hunters will result in permanent removal from deer hunts.

- Obey posted speed limits (25 mph on dirt roads).
- Seatbelts must be worn at all times.
- Watch for open wells, mark on hunt map and notify hunt manager of any findings.
- Safety Auditors are placed throughout the hunt unit to observe hunt activity.
- Any observed unsafe act will result in immediate and permanent removal from the Savannah River Site deer hunts.
- Harvested animals will be confiscated if a rule violation occurs.

- Harvested animals must be brought to the check station before searching for dogs.
- Hunters are asked to assist others with dog retrieval.
- After exiting the barricade you cannot re-enter.
- Departure gate will not open until 3:00 p.m. You must return to the Deer Hunt Building by 4:00 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- If you have a complaint or concern, forms are available at the exit gate.
- Harvested animals will be brought to the Deer Hunt Building.
- Hunt staff will notify owner upon retrieval of dogs.

Standers

- Color of badge to van route color.
- Notify van driver if you need to look for an animal. Hunt staff will assist in recovery after the hunt.
- At the end of the hunt, give badge to van driver when you exit the van.
- Upon returning to the Deer Hunt Building, all guns must be returned to your vehicle immediately.
- Harvested animals will be brought to the Deer Hunt Building.

Emergencies

- In the event of a emergency, you will be notified by deer hunt staff.
- If you hear a horn blowing, unload shotgun and report to check station immediately.
- SRS Emergency Staff is on call at

  (803) 725-1911 for hunt emergencies (personal emergency, injury, fire, non-hunters in area, etc.) number is located on back of badge.

C B Channels

2 – **Red**

3 – **Green**

4 – **Orange**

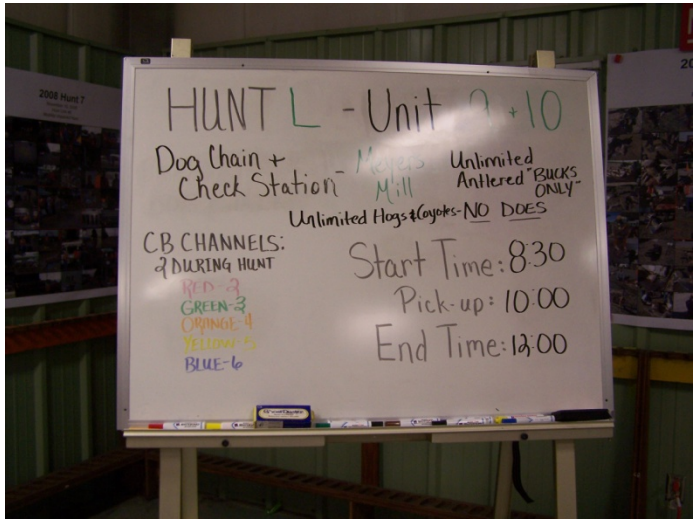
5 – **Yellow**

6 – **Blue**

When hunt begins use Channel 2.

Summary

- Firearm and hunter safety is paramount.
- Be seen...be heard.
- Comply with start and end time.
- Standers comply to the 20 yard rule.
- Dog Drivers comply to the ½ mile radius.
- Buckshot only.
- Deer, hogs, coyotes only.
- Respond to emergencies as directed.
- Assist at the check station with off loading of animals and with retrieval of dogs.
- EVERY HUNTER is expected to act as a Safety Auditor and report safety violations.

Overview

- Hunter Responsibilities
- All hunters are expected to act as safety auditors and report unsafe acts.
  - Communication
  - 20 yd rule
- Hunt Times – no shooting before or after!
  - Start time
  - Check for animals
  - End time
- Questions