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

SRS Deer Hunts

Mobility Impaired and Wounded Warriors
Information on Cesium-137

• SRS monitors cesium levels in the environment and in all hogs/deer/coyotes released
  • Cesium exists in the earth’s environment from historical atmospheric nuclear testing
  • Some past SRS operations have resulted in small Cesium releases

• SRS monitors all animals for Cesium-137 content. They track dose to hunters and animals will not be released should they 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.
Field of Fire

**DO NOT SHOOT** to the left, right, or behind the stand.
Shooting Safety 101

• Unload firearms when not in use
  • Leave the actions open
  • Firearms must be carried empty to and from shooting areas
  • Load firearms 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/tree or jump a ditch/log with a loaded firearm
Shooting Safety 101 Cont.

• Identify your target and what is beyond it
  • Know the identifying features of the game you hunt
    • Deer, hogs, coyotes- **NO TURKEYS**

• Treat unloaded firearms with the same respect as a loaded firearm

• Use proper size ammunition for the firearm in use
  • 12 gauge 2¾”, or 3” slugs
  • 20 gauge sabot slugs allowed
  • NO 20 gauge buckshot OR 20 gauge “Foster type” slugs
  • No 3½ shells allowed nor **BUCKSHOT**
• Hunt stands are 900 feet apart
• Smokers are to properly extinguish cigarette butts; No littering
• Take pictures of harvested animals only. Pictures of facilities, structures, or security badges are NOT allowed
• Know the location of hunters in your area

**YOU ARE REQUIRED TO REMAIN WITHIN 50 YARDS OF YOUR ASSIGNED STAND**
• Safety auditors will conduct spot checks to ensure safety rules are being followed

• **ANY** observed unsafe act will result in immediate and permanent removal from the SRS Deer Hunts

• Harvested animals will be confiscated if a rule violation occurs
• Harvested animals will be brought back to the Deer Hunt Building by Deer Hunt Staff

*If you have a complaint or concern, forms are available at the exit gate.
Standards

- Color of badge should correspond with 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 while exiting the van
- Upon returning to the Deer Hunt Building, all guns must be immediately returned to your vehicle
- Harvested animals will be brought to the Deer Hunt Building
Emergencies

• The Deer Hunt Staff will notify you in the event of an emergency

• If you hear a horn blowing, unload your shotgun and immediately report to check station

• SRS Emergency Staff:
  • On call at (803) 725-1911 (Also located on back of badge)
  • This is for hunt emergencies (personal emergency, injury, fire, non-hunters in area, etc.)
Summary

• Firearm and hunter safety is paramount
• Be seen...be heard
• Comply with start and end time
• Standers comply to the 50 yard rule
• 12 gauge 2¾” or 3” slugs/ 20 gauge sabot slugs
• **NO BUCKSHOT**
• Deer, hogs, coyotes only
• Respond to emergencies as directed
• **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
  • Hunt times- no shooting before or after!
    • Start time
    • Check for animals
    • End time

• Questions?