



OPERATION ORPHANS SAFETY RULES FOR GUIDES

1. No handguns are permitted----leave any pistols checked in at gun room.
2. No guns allowed in bunkhouses or mess hall----all guns will be unloaded and locked in vehicles when at camp.
3. Only factory ammunition will be used----NO HAND LOADS!
4. Only one gun is allowed per guide- ---leave any spare guns checked in at gun room.
5. The action of all guns will be maintained open and unloaded at all times except when actually hunting.
6. All guns will be unloaded and stored in locked vehicle when not actually hunting---ammunition will be in the personal possession of the guide at all times.
7. Take the time to acquaint your youngster with the safe operation of your rifle, including the proper sight picture.
8. The rifle will be carried by the guide at all times. Pass the gun to the youngster only when game is identified and adequate backstop is determined.
9. Do not use rifle scope to spot game. The rifle should not be pointed until game is identified and adequate backstop assured.
10. All game is to be shot only by the child. Guides are permitted to shoot only when wounded game may escape.
11. Hunt only in your assigned area. The hunts are usually not concluded until each child has an animal or it is too late to safely shoot or track an animal.
12. Be absolutely sure of the target and the area beyond it. Various livestock or exotics may be on the ranch.
13. Keep the youngster with you at all times.
14. Close gates, don't cross fences unless rancher states you can and you know which one. Stay where you are put.
15. Large Caliber Guns are not to be used. We request that if you have one, you exchange it for a smaller caliber from the gun room.
16. ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES or DRUGS There will be no alcoholic beverages or drugs consumed or in possession.

17. You must obey all speed limits!
18. Check with child's counselor before giving gifts, especially knives. Homes won't allow kids to have knives.
19. Please don't smoke in the blind.
20. Please don't use coarse language or tell coarse jokes.
21. Please don't allow the child to use your cell phone.
22. If the deer is skinned and quartered, the head must accompany the meat to the final destination.
23. It is illegal to cut the horns off a whitetail buck.

NOTE: These rules are not meant to deprive the host ranch, guides or children of any of the pleasure incidental to the sport of hunting. On the contrary, they are prepared with the idea that you may enjoy these pleasures, secure in the knowledge that everyone's safety is uppermost in the minds of the Directors of Operation Orphans, Inc.

SIDELIGHTS: The Operation Orphans Deer Hunt has multi-purposes.

1. Get the youngster in the field for an outing.
2. Teach the youngster gun safety.
3. Teach the youngster hunting, tracking and outdoor skills.
4. Adult companionship for the youngster all day long.
5. Provide a chance for the youngster to harvest a deer.

You will notice that the harvesting of a deer is listed last. This is on purpose. The harvesting of a deer is the "frosting on the cake" for the other 4 purposes.

Be sure to fill out a certification card for each child that harvests a deer and give it to the child.

Please encourage each child to write a "thank you" note to the rancher furnishing the place to hunt.

Please report any property damage or visible problem to the rancher.

HAPPY HUNTING!!!!!!

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