



Deer Hunting with Shot Gun or Rifle: Basic Checklist

*Check local law requirements regarding hunting licenses and use of blaze orange on a safety vest and hat.
Check weather to dress appropriately.*

Proper Attire Required

Camouflage and Blaze Orange
Silent when rubbing fabric together
Scent Block

Identification & License

- Identification
- Hunting License
- Gun Permit *if required by law*

Guns & Ammo

- Shot Gun or Rifle
- Ammo
- Scope
- Gun Case *recommended in camouflage*
- Gun Hanger or Rest
- Gun Hoist
- Bipod *to help stabilize gun*
- Field Bag or Back Pack
- Gun Tools

Muzzleloader Equipment

- Breech Plug Grease
- Breech Plugs
- Bullets
- Bullet Starter
- Cleaning Jags
- Cleaning Solvents
- Patches
- Powder/Pellets
- Primers 209/#11/Flints
- Quick Loads
- Range Rod
- Rust Preventative

What to Wear

- Hunting Shirt *in camouflage*
- Safety Vest *with blaze orange **
- Windproof Jacket *in camouflage*
- Hat, Cap or Stocking Hat *with blaze orange **
- Face Paint or Mask
- Gloves *with insulation or without it, depending on weather*
- Hand Muff
- Long Underwear or Layers *with moisture wicking and insulation, depending on weather*
- Pants or Overalls *in camouflage*
- Socks *made of alpaca or wool— thickness of socks depends on weather*
- Long Boots *with Scent Blocking, and with insulation if weather calls for it*
- Gaiters
- Protective Eyewear
- Protective Earmuffs or Earplugs
- Scent Eliminator Spray

Tools to Track Game

- Scent Attractant Scent
- Deer Calls (*e.g. Grunt call, rattle bag, fawn bleat can, estrus bleat can*)
- Seat
- Harness *which is very important*
- Binoculars
- Game Cameras
- Rangefinder
- Game Ear *to amplify sounds*

* *Check laws to meet attire color requirements*

What else to bring— Better be safe than sorry!

- Rain Gear *in camouflage*
- Sunscreen
- Flashlight or Headlamp
- Map, Compass and GPS
- Glass or Lens Cleaner
- Hand Warmers
- Foot Warmers
- ThermaCell® Mosquito Repellent
- First-Aid Kit
- Snacks
- Water
- Scent Reduction Detergent *to clean clothing, especially before going hunting*

Clean & Carry Game

- Pocket Knife
- Knife Sharpener
- Processing Kit *with Knives and Folding Saw*
- Cut-proof Gloves *that are wrist or shoulder length*
- Deer Drag
- Gambrel
- Cooler