A CHUM SPORT

(word association for the Ten Commandments used in the North Dakota Hunter Education program)



Alcohol

1. ALCOHOL – Avoid the use of alcohol or other mood altering drugs before or while shooting.

Climb

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

Hard

3. HARD – Never shoot a bullet at a flat, hard surface or water.

Unload

4. UNLOAD - Unload firearms when not in use.

Muzzle

5. MUZZLE - Control the direction of your firearm's muzzle.

Store

6. STORE – Store firearms and ammunition separately.

Point

7. POINT – Never point a firearm at anything you do not want to shoot.

Obstruction

8. OBSTRUCTION – Be sure the barrel and action are clear of obstructions and that you have only the ammunition of proper size for the firearm you are carrying.

Respect

9. RESPECT – Treat every firearm with the same respect due a loaded firearm.



10. TARGET – Identify your target and what is beyond it.

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PRACTICAL EXAM REQUIREMENTS

1. PROPER PROCEDURE WHEN PICKING UP A GUN

Student should do four things to pass:

- a) Maintain correct muzzle control
- b) Open the action and check safety
- c) Check the chamber by both eye and feel
- d) Maintain correct muzzle control during the entire demonstration

2. PUT A GUN INTO A VEHICLE OR BOAT

The student should:

- a) Maintain correct muzzle control
- b) Open the action and check safety
- c) Inspect the chamber and leave the action open
- d) Observe that there are no persons on the opposite side of the vehicle.
- e) For any seat to be occupied with a gun Place gun in vehicle muzzle first with muzzle down on floor and stock over seat. Maintain muzzle control. Muzzles may point upward in a boat but must point away from any occupants.
- f) In a pickup with a gun rack place or remove guns only in an empty vehicle

3. SHOW POSSIBLE LOCATIONS FOR SAFETIES ON GUNS

- a) Trigger guard front or back (crossbolt safety)
- b) On rear or side of receiver (lever safety)
- c) On receiver tang or upper grip (tang safety)
- d) On the rear of the bolt
- e) Hammer half-cock
- f) Single shot, broke open

4. GUN CARRIES TO USE WITH A GROUP

The student should maintain correct muzzle control while demonstrating, safe carrying positions used when others are in front of or to the side

5. PROPER PROCEDURE FOR CROSSING A FENCE

When alone:

- a) Open the action and check safety
- b) Lay the gun flat on the ground with the muzzle pointed away from oneself
- c) Negotiate the fence going under or through
- d) Pick up the gun and check the action and muzzle for any debris
- e) Close the action and continue hunting
- f) Maintain correct muzzle control throughout the demonstration

When with another hunter:

- a) Open the actions and check safeties
- b) Hand your gun to other hunter
- c) Cross fence
- d) Hand guns across fence until all guns are across
- e) Close the actions and continue hunting
- f) Maintain correct muzzle control throughout the demonstration

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