



10 Commandments Of Safety

1. **Treat every gun with the respect due a loaded gun.**
2. **Watch that muzzle!** Be able to control the direction of the muzzle even if you should stumble.
3. **Be sure of your target and beyond before you pull the trigger;** know identifying features of the game you hunt.
4. **Be sure that the barrel and action are clear of obstructions** and that you have only ammunition of the proper size for the gun you are carrying.
5. **Unload guns when not in use.** Take down or have actions open; guns should be carried in cases to the shooting area.
6. **Never point a gun at anything you do not want to shoot;** avoid all horseplay with a firearm.
7. **Never climb a fence or tree or jump a ditch with a loaded gun;** never pull a gun toward you by the muzzle.
8. **Never shoot a bullet at a flat, hard surface or water;** at target practice be sure your backstop is adequate.
9. **Store guns and ammunition separately** beyond the reach of children and careless adults.
10. **Avoid alcoholic beverages and other mood altering drugs before and during shooting.**

