

Texans love to hunt. Nature beckons. There's suspense and excitement and escape from the daily routine.

## Here are the "ten commandments" of shooting safety:

- Always point the muzzle of your gun in a safe direction.
- Treat every firearm or bow with the same respect you would show a loaded gun or nocked arrow.
- Be sure of your target.
- · Unload firearms and unstring conventional bows when not in use.
- · Handle firearms, arrows and ammunition with care.
- Know your safe zone-of-fire and stick to it.
- · Control your emotions when using weapons.
- Wear hearing and eye protection.
- Don't consume alcohol or drugs before or while handling firearms or bows.
- Be aware of circumstances that require added caution or safety awareness.

If you practice these rules, you'll help to ensure a safe future for yourself, for others and for the shooting sports.

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