

Be Safe, Be Seen

Safety tips for trail users during Hunting Season



Fall is a very enjoyable season for walkers, hikers, cyclists, horseback riders, and other outdoor enthusiasts to go out on trails, into the forests, and be physically active, while taking in the beautiful fall colours and scenery.

Hunters are also enjoying time in the forest. Hunting takes place in most County forests, conservation areas and Crown land, as well as on private land, with the permission of the property owner.



Hunting is a safe recreational activity in Ontario, and non-hunters should feel comfortable using the woods at any time of the year. The following are some common sense precautions for non-hunters during hunting seasons:

- **Be aware that hunting is taking place. Know the seasons, dates, locations.**
- **Avoid dawn and dusk, and anytime visibility is limited.**
- **Wear hunter orange (hat, vest, scarf, etc., also on your pet!) and avoid beige, brown, white, red or green clothing.**
- **Keep your pet on a leash.**
- **Stick to established trails (hunters typically know where the trails are).**
- **Hike in a group or with a buddy (hunters will hear you coming!) and as always, let someone know where you are going, and when to expect you back.**