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Killam / Forestburg RCMP share outdoor safety guidelines for Alberta's hunting season

Killam / Forestburg, Alta - As hunting season is now in full swing across Alberta, it's important that hunters keep safety and security top of mind. Following strict safety measures not only ensures a safe hunting season, but also ensures the safety of other outdoor enthusiasts who share these natural spaces.

Killam / Forestburg RCMP provide the following safety tips to help make this hunting season safe, responsible, and enjoyable for those exploring Alberta's great outdoors:

- Whether in transit or in the field, all firearms should be secured at all times.
- Inspect and check your hunting equipment before heading out to make sure it is in safe working order.
- Store firearms in a locked case or secure them with a trigger lock when not in use.
- Ensuring that your firearm is unloaded when not in use and during transportation.
- Never leave firearms unattended in vehicles or public places, even momentarily. Properly secure them to avoid any risk of theft or misuse.
- Avoid high-traffic areas and clearly marked trails where non-hunters may also be enjoying the outdoors.
- Wear bright or high-visibility clothing, ideally in orange or another standout color, to ensure you're visible to others.
- Checking that you have the necessary licenses, tags, and permits.
- Respecting any designated zones and protected wildlife areas.
- Follow all hunting season start and end dates as set by local authorities.
- Ensuring that your firearm is unloaded when not in use and during transportation.
- Be Prepared for Emergencies. Carry a first aid kit, a fully charged phone, or a communication device and always inform someone of your hunting location

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