



SYC Iowa- Guide Expectations

Thank you for volunteering to guide a SYC hunter. This is a very exciting and rewarding opportunity.

To best prepare for the hunt we have put together a list of expectations for all Hunters and their families of what you can expect during your time with us:

Your Role: Each hunter is assigned two guides: Lead Guide and a Secondary/Video Guide. The Lead Guide has ultimate responsibility for the equipment, its use, and the hunt. The Secondary/Video Guide is primarily responsible for capturing the experience of the hunt while also supporting the Lead Guide. Both work as a team to ensure the safety and overall success of the hunter.

Safety:

- Safety is our top priority, and we take it very seriously. We all will be observing the hunters to make sure they aren't getting overtired, too cold, too hungry, or dehydrated. Please talk to us throughout the day and let us know if there is anything we can do to make you more comfortable. We have heaters, snacks, water, etc. to make the hunt as comfortable for the hunter as possible.
- Guides must adhere to all game laws including leaving evidence of sex on all carcasses and be sure to attach the carcass tag once the animal is in camp. You have overall responsibility for the team, the blind, and what happens inside the blind. You are representing SYC to the families, the landowners, the State Wildlife representatives, and fellow guides. Please act professionally and dignified.
- The Blind/Stand: We will ensure your blind/stand has the needed chairs, stand, gun, ammo, snacks, drinks, heater, blankets, etc.
- The Gun: All guns are provided by SYC Iowa and every gun must go through a safety check prior to going out to hunt to ensure your hunter's gun is sighted in properly. We will take care of mounting and un-mounting the gun, loading, and unloading the gun, and transporting the gun unless prior approval and clearance have been given by the Board. Make sure your assigned gun is sighted to your level of satisfaction at the sight-in on Friday. Walk down and personally confirm where the target was hit, don't assume it is accurate. Adjust the sites if necessary. You are responsible for mounting and un-mounting the gun, loading, and unloading of the gun, and safe transportation of the gun. The gun and ammo are your responsibility from the start of sighting in, until lunch on Sunday. Each time you get in the blind, check the gun trigger to confirm it is set properly, and perform a dry fire to practice the scenario with your hunter. Keep the gun camera (e.g., iPod) always charged.
- Ammo: The guides will keep the ammo in a safe location when in-between hunts.
- Pictures: All participants, parents, guardians, family, hunters, and guides will need to sign a **photo release waiver** prior to hunting. SYC Iowa will use photos for any legal use, including but not limited to publicity, copyright purposes, illustration, advertising, marketing, social media,



and web content. SYC Iowa will capture as many important moments as possible for the hunt both in the field and at fellowship times and share them with hunters and family. We encourage all to take pictures in the field, blind, in casual conversation, in fellowship, and share on the SYC Iowa Facebook page.

- Interaction and encouragement with others: SYC Iowa strongly encourages your hunter and family to connect with others and get involved with different activities during their free time. The commons area will have a games area of things to choose from e.g., playing cards, board games, campfire pit, etc. Please take the time to get to know your fellow hunters and guides. Please join us in congratulating others on their hunt who did harvest an animal and encouraging those who might not have that opportunity yet.
- Coaching of the hunt: The guides and volunteers will coach the hunter about different expectations that can happen during the hunt.
 - How far you will take a shot, who is going to call the animal when it comes near to set up the shot, and what are you going to say/do when you want them to take the shot?
 - Any risk/danger situations need to be covered as well. E.g.: if you get a lethal shot on your animal stay in your blind until all other live animals have left (turkeys)

Licensing Fee: (remind hunter to get reimbursed)

- In-State hunters:
 - Buy your license for the season and SYC Iowa will reimburse your fees at the hunt.
- Out-of-State Hunters:
 - SYC Iowa will purchase your license on your behalf.

Schedule: Schedule: Hunters, Guides, and Volunteers, please follow the schedule and be ready. It is important to stay on track with the schedule. We want to be in the blinds and ready to hunt on time or we could miss the window of opportunity.

Thanks to all of you and your families for sharing the weekend with SYC Iowa. We know your time is valuable to both you and your families, and we thank you for choosing to spend it with us. Please let us know if you have any questions or suggestions or if you need any help. Let's have a great hunt.

Thank you!

SYC Iowa Board



VOLUNTEER FORM

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Preferred Communication:

Text

Phone

Email

I want to Volunteer: (check all that apply)

Hunting Guide

Day of Volunteer for Hunts (set-up, serving, clean-up)

Cook/Meal Prep

Fundraiser helper

Landowner

SYC Sub-Committee

Other: _____

Comments:



ADULT PHOTO RELEASE FORM

I, _____, grant Special Youth Challenge of Iowa or anyone involved with Special Youth Challenge of Iowa my permission to use the photographs for any legal use, including but not limited to: publicity, copyright purposes, illustration, advertising, marketing, social media, and web content.

Furthermore, I understand that no royalty, fee, or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

Signature : _____ **Date** _____

Print Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____



RELEASE FORM

(VOLUNTARY PARTICIPATION, ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK, WAIVER OF LIABILITY, MEDICAL RELEASE ,AND PHOTO RELEASE)

In consideration of Special Youth Challenge Ministries of Iowa, an Iowa non-profit corporation, its directors, officers, committee members, volunteers, and representatives (collectively, "SYC-Iowa") allowing me

_____ (the "Participant") to participate in the hunt at

_____ (the location) on _____ (dates) and all related events and activities

(collectively, the "Event"), the Participant, does voluntarily and willingly acknowledge and enter into the following agreement ("Release"):

1. Participant acknowledges and understands that the Event is purely voluntary. The Participant chooses to participate in the Event, and such participation is of my own free will without any obligation whatsoever. The Participant understands that if he/she did not sign this Release, SYC-Iowa would deny the Participant permission to participate in the Event.
2. The Participant, on the behalf of myself, my spouse, my children, all legal representatives, heirs, successors, and assigns, by signing this Release, hereby release, discharge, waive, and hold harmless SYC-Iowa, its successors, and assigns from any and all claims and demands of any kind that arise from or relate to my participation in the Event. The Participant acknowledges and understands that this Release releases and discharges SYC-Iowa from any and all liability and claims, including but not limited to any liability or claim by the Participant or anyone else with respect to any bodily injury, personal injury, illness, death, property damage, or economic damage of any kind that may result from the Participant's participation, whether caused by the Participant, the negligence of SYC-Iowa or its directors, officers, volunteers, or other committee members, or otherwise.
3. The Participant acknowledges and understands that there are known and unknown hazards involved in participating in the Event and that there is a risk in the use of firearms. These hazards may include travel to and from the Event, natural hazards (such as land, lightning, wildlife, and weather), man-made hazards (such as buildings, structures, and vehicles), hazards involving other individuals, hazards associated with hunting, and many other hazards. The Participant understands that these hazards may include, but are not limited to illness, serious bodily injury, death, emotional injury, potentially expensive medical expenses, loss or damage or property, or economic harm. The Participant further understands that the hazards described herein are only a partial list of the risks and hazards and that other hazards may be involved that have not been identified in this document or otherwise disclosed, and I fully assume those hazards as well. By signing this Release and choosing to participate in the Event, the Participant expressly and knowingly assumes the risks of the hazards described herein, and any other known or unknown hazards involved in participating in the Event.
4. The Participant represents that the Participant is in good health so as to allow him/her to participate in the Event. The Participant also understands that medical services or facilities may not be readily available during the Event.
5. The Participant understands and agrees that he/she alone is responsible for his/her safety with respect to traveling to and from the Event. The Participant further understands that he/she has the option to voluntarily withdraw from the Event at any time and for any reason.
6. The Participant, on my behalf and on behalf of my children, spouse, parents, heirs, and assigns, expressly and knowingly agrees not to hold SYC-Iowa, its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, or committee members responsible in the event that one or more hazardous situations arise from or during my participation in the Event.
7. The Participant, on behalf of myself and on behalf of my children, parents, heirs, and assigns, expressly and knowingly releases SYC-Iowa, its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, or committee members from any and all liability, loss, cost or damages, arising from or related to my participation in the Event, including any resulting from the ordinary negligence or fault of SYC-Iowa or other participants, whether that negligence is active or passive.

8. The Undersigned and the Participant also release, acquit, and agree to hold harmless any landowner or tenant in possession and all other persons or entities from any and all liabilities that we may have or ever claim to have by reason of my participation in the Event or the activities sponsored by SYC-Iowa.

9. In the event of an emergency, the Participant hereby authorizes and consents to and SYC-Iowa has my permission to obtain medical or dental treatment for me at the nearest hospital, medical facility, or doctor, at the Participant's expense.

10. The Participant and attending family/guardian members understand and agree to the use of a name, photographs, videos, voice, or film likeness by SYC-Iowa for any legitimate purpose by SYC-Iowa. I consent to and authorize in advance such use and waive any right to privacy connected therewith.

11. The Participant understands that this Release shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law and that if any portion of this Release is declared invalid, for whatever reason, the remaining portions shall continue to be valid and legally binding. I affirm that we have read the terms and provisions of the Release prior to its execution and that I have had the opportunity to consult with whomever I wish, including an attorney, and that SYC-Iowa has made no representation, statement, or inducement, directly or indirectly, on which I rely upon, and that this Release contains the entire agreement between SYC-Iowa and me. I agree that this Release shall be governed by the laws of the State of Iowa, without regard to any conflict of law's provisions. I fully understand and acknowledge that SYC-Iowa and its directors, officers, employees, volunteers or committee members have never expressly or impliedly assumed any responsibility for participation in the Event by the Participant. I hereby personally assume all risks in connection with participation in the Event or any other activity connected therewith. This Release shall be binding upon the Participant, my spouse, my children, my heirs, administrators, personal representatives, and assigns, forever.

THE PARTICIPANT UNDERSTANDS THAT THIS IS AN IMPORTANT LEGAL DOCUMENT. BY SIGNING BELOW, I REPRESENT THAT I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT CAREFULLY AND IN FULL, THAT I AGREE TO ALL OF ITS PROVISIONS, AND THAT I SIGN THIS AGREEMENT OF MY OWN FREE WILL. You must describe ANY preexisting medical conditions of the Participant or any special instructions (such as present medications or allergies):

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT

DATE

CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Street Address: _____

City/State/Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Name of Doctor: _____

Doctor's Phone Number: _____

Doctor's Office Address: _____

Current Medications:

Date of last Tetanus Shot: _____

Medical Insurance Carrier: _____

Policy Number: _____

Religious Preference: _____

Persons to be contacted in case of an emergency:

1. Name/Contact Information: _____

2. Name/Contact Information: _____

3. Name/Contact Information: _____