



Conservation Leaders for Tomorrow

Hunting Awareness & Conservation Education

Firearms Demonstration

(Introduction to Firearms)

Goal: To introduce various hunting firearms, their actions, calibers or gauges, ammunition, loading and unloading techniques.

Objectives: After this block of instruction the participant will be able to:

1. Identify the five basic hunting firearm actions.
2. Identify the basic parts of a long gun firearm, including a muzzleloader.
3. Explain the difference between shotguns and rifles.
4. Describe the functions of shotgun chokes.
5. Describe basic rules of handling firearms.

Why This Is Important for a Natural Resource Professional

Understanding safe firearms handling is a critical element for safe hunting. Understanding gauges, calibers, and the lethality of various firearms is critical in establishing hunting regulations and will enhance professionals' credibility with hunters. This information will assist in establishing hunting regulations that will be supported by most hunters.