

# Checklist for conducting Adult “Learn to Hunt” Experiences

## Pre-Workshop

- \_\_\_\_\_ Establish Involved Partners (*other NGO’s, State Wildlife Agency, FWS, Gun Club, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Select a Date (*early season so they can continue hunting after the LTH*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Reserve Location \_\_\_\_\_ Lodging \_\_\_\_\_ Training \_\_\_\_\_ Hunt (*released birds?*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Engage Instructors (*Dog Handlers, Firearm Instructors, Biologists, Conservation Officers, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Recruit Mentors (*Great opportunity to host Mentor Training beforehand*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Publicly Announce Event (*promo materials to stir interest*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Register Participants Online (*set maximum number and list prerequisites like Hunter Safety*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Applicants (*notify of their status & survey for special needs like food allergies and gear*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Secure Supplies (*guns, clay targets, ammo, first aid, hearing & eye protection, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Prepare Interactive Agenda for Class & Field (*timing of activities and responsibilities of instructors*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Inform All Participants of Needed Items (*clothing, licenses, gun, toiletries, camping gear, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Order Merchandise for Attendees (*shirts, hats, booklets, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Submit Volunteer Liability Insurance Coverage Forms (*list all names of mentors & instructors*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Print Materials (*Waiver forms, LTH Safety Guidelines, emergency contact list, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Organize Food & Drinks (*supper 2x, breakfast 2x, lunch 2x, water, coffee, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Wild Game Cleaning Supplies (*tables, knives, cutting boards, plastic bags, paper towels, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Cooking Supplies (*cast iron skillet, recipes, grill, coffee pot, crockpot, silverware, etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Everyone Sign PF and QF Waiver Forms
- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete Emergency Contact List
- \_\_\_\_\_ Assign Mentors with Participants and Assign Duties

## Post-Workshop

- \_\_\_\_\_ Invite Participants to Follow-up Events (*pint nights, public land hunts, banquets etc.*)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Submit Online Event Report Form
- \_\_\_\_\_ Submit PF or QF Memberships
- \_\_\_\_\_ Survey Participants, Mentors, and Instructors
- \_\_\_\_\_ Send Thank You’s



# Adult Learn to Hunt Experience

(Weekend Pheasant Camp)

## Friday

**6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

- Check-in & Paperwork (*sign waiver forms & emergency contact*)

**7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.**

- Welcome and Introductions
- Dinner & Drinks (*wild game*)

**8:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

- Match Participants with 1 on 1 Mentors
- Social Event – Share Your Story (*Why I Hunt*)

## Saturday

**7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.**

- Safety Meeting with Mentors, Volunteers, and Instructors

**8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

- Breakfast
- Welcoming Remarks

**8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. (PF/QF)**

- Responsibilities – Mentors/Participants
- Basic Gear and Equipment Overview
- Wildlife Conservation and Biology
- Basic Hunting Strategies

**9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. (DNR)**

- Rules and Regulations for Upland Bird Hunting
- Basic Firearm Safety Review

**9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

- Wingshooting Instruction, Shotgun Patterning, & Trap Shooting

**11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

- How to Hunt Over Bird Dogs (NAVHDA)

**11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

- Lunch Break

**12:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (concurrent sessions for those not in field)**

- Firearm Cleaning & Gun Care
- Cleaning, Preserving, and Prepping Harvested Wild Game
- Dog Training, Handling, and an Introduction to Various Hunting Breeds (NAVHDA)



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**12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.** (*begin with most experienced participants*)

- Hunters 1/2, Mentors 1/2, Dog Handler A in field #1
- Hunters 3/4, Mentors 3/4, Dog Handler B in field #2

**1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

- Hunters 5/6, Mentors 5/6, Dog Handler C in field #1
- Hunters 7/8, Mentors 7/8, Dog Handler D in field #2

**2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

- Hunters 9/10, Mentors 9/10, Dog Handler A in field #1
- Hunters 1/2, Mentors 1/2, Dog Handler B in field #2

**3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

- Hunters 3/4, Mentors 3/4, Dog Handler C in field #1
- Hunters 5/6, Mentors 5/6, Dog Handler D in field #2

**4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

- Hunters 7/8, Mentors 7/8, Dog Handler A in field #1
- Hunters 9/10, Mentors 9/10, Dog Handler B in field #2

**5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

- Break for Personal Time (*check in with family*)

**5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.**

- Group Photo
- Complete the Cycle from “Prairie to Plate” with Hands-on Wild Game Cooking

**7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

- Camp Fire Stories

## **Sunday**

**7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.**

- Breakfast

**8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

- Landowner Appreciation & How to Gain Access
- Public Access (*onX Hunt Map demo and code PHEASANTS*)
- Next Steps and Other Species Opportunities
- Outdoor Survival Tips

**10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

- North American Model of Wildlife Conservation
- Ways to Participate in Pheasants Forever and Quail Forever
- Complete Evaluation Forms

**10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

- Provide “Certificate of Participation” and “1<sup>st</sup> Bird Certificates”
- Wrap Up & Depart



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