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Deer hunting season is open

The OPP would like to remind the public that deer hunting season (rifle) started on Monday, November 2nd, and ends one half hour after sunset on Saturday, November 7th.

During this annual event, police often receive calls from concerned residents reporting to have heard gun shots. Residents can expect to hear gun shots during rifle hunting season and there is no cause to be alarmed.

Hunters are easily recognizable by wearing blaze orange hats, coats and vests.

Hunters must follow these guidelines:

Do not hunt from roadways.

Do not shoot across roads.

Do not shoot from your vehicle.

Always be sure of your target before shooting.

Always carry your firearms and hunting licence with you.

Always have permission to hunt on lands that you don't own.

Rifles must be unloaded at roadside and while transporting.

Rifles must be in hard or soft cases prior to and after hunting times.

Compliance with these simple guidelines will ensure public safety and greater enjoyment of the deer hunting season. Failure to do so may result in charges.

For more hunting information visit: www.mnr.gov.on.ca