

Hygiene concept pertaining to social hunt

The following hygiene rules are to be complied with when conducting social hunts:

1. The valid requirements for distance and contact restrictions are to be ensured by the following measures:
 - a. A distance of at least 1.5 meters between participants is to be maintained, unless the respective applicable Corona Control Ordinance provides otherwise. If an increased aerosol output can be expected due to the type of activity, this distance is to be increased by a factor of two. In case the minimum distance of 1.5 meters cannot be maintained, it is mandatory to wear a mask.
 - b. It is recommended to refrain from a gathering of all participants at the beginning of the hunt, so as to minimize their contact. Instead, the formalities required for the conduct of a social hunt (safety instructions, division into groups, start and end time of the hunt, shooting permit, rules of conduct for the shooting of game, fee to be paid, bank details, etc.) are to be provided to the participants in writing beforehand. Any fees for participation in the hunt or for the dog insurance are to be paid by the participants in the run-up to the hunt.
 - c. The hunters are to be assigned to a numbered parking space at their arrival, e.g. via a "parking guidance system" or appropriate directions, so that the vehicles can be parked in accordance with the groups formed in advance. The hunters are to stay in the vehicles at the meeting point to avoid contact among each other. No new car pools are to be formed or separated at the meeting point.

- d. Alternatively, the location of the hunting start point is to be chosen according to the number of participants and in such a way, that a minimum distance can be maintained. If this is not feasible, the hunters are to arrive at one or several meeting points in a staggered manner. In this case, it is mandatory to disinfect or wash hands on entering the meeting location. Suitable washing facilities or disinfectant dispensers are to be provided by the hunter in charge.

2. Organization of the event:

- a. The contact traceability of the participants is to be ensured. Contact data (last name, first name, address, telephone number) facilitating notification in case of exposure to the infection, as well as the date and time of attendance is to be collected by the hunter in charge in compliance with the provisions of German data protection laws and retained for a period of one month; the data is to be deleted immediately after expiry of the retention period. The group set-up is to be documented.
- b. The groups of hunters are to keep their distance to the other groups of hunters throughout the entire hunt. It is to be ensured that all participants of the hunt know to which group they belong. Each group is then to enter the hunting area separately. The respective lead hunter of the group directs the hunters to their pre-determined locations in the hunting area.
- c. After the hunt, the group leaders are to collect all their group members from their stands or from the agreed meeting points. The hunters then provide a brief feedback to the group lead. The eye-to-eye contact occurring here is subject to the 3W rules (watch your distance, wash your hands and wear a mask).
- d. The group leader is to take over the game retrieval and care, reporting the track to the hunting leader, and coordinating any subsequent tracking or control searches), etc., on their own to the extent possible, also to include providing the necessary instructions to the search leaders.

- e. Field dressing and preparing for the transport of the game is only to be carried out within the hunting group or by a permanent recovery team. Smaller game (e.g. roe deer, boars) can be transported by the respective hunters to the next road accessible. The recovery of bigger game can be done via winching techniques or by using a long rescue strap with appropriate loops for pulling at a distance of about 2 meters, for example. The permanent recovery team is to be responsible for the further transfer of the game into the game chamber.
- f. If a collective field dressing of the game is planned, it is to be done by pre-determined teams only. Admittance of third parties is prohibited. For decentralized dressing, a minimum distance of 1.5 meters is to be maintained. Water supply should be available. The game is to be handled by as few people as possible. When dressing the game, it is best to use rubber gloves and a mouth-and-nose cover is to be worn. The tools used for cutting are to be disinfected regularly.
- g. The hunters not directly involved in the organization of the hunt are then to leave the hunting area in their vehicles. A concluding gathering is prohibited, including game display, presentation of the shooting branches or the traditional blowing of the hunting horn at the game display.
- h. The above provisions apply accordingly to beaters as well as to passing dog handlers. These groups can meet separately from the hunters and can also be led into the hunting area by a competent person.
- i. It is recommended to refrain from providing catering to the hunting participants on site. If nevertheless food is served, it is to be strictly separated according to the respective groups of hunters. Beverages are to be served in individual bottles only.
- j. Overnight stays for the purpose of participating in social hunts or individual hunting are not regarded as tourist travel and are permitted under consideration of the general protective measures (§ 8 para. 1 sentence 2 Corona Control Ordinance).

3. Mitigation measures for individuals:

- a. Individuals showing visible symptoms of a respiratory infection are to be denied participation in the hunt.
- b. The existing protective measures and rules of conduct (such as general rules of protection from infection incl. the "sneezing etiquette", evaluation of cold symptoms, etc.) are to be indicated.
- c. Renting objects is not permitted if they cannot be disinfected after use.

4. Mitigation measures for events:

- a. Hand disinfectants, liquid soap and disposable towels are to be provided for central dressing of the game and in the game chamber or anterooms. The rooms are to be cleaned regularly.
- b. The exposure of rooms to aerosols is to be limited to a minimum by applying specific measures. All rooms are to be ventilated thoroughly.

5. Generally applicable:

- a. The hunting management is in charge of ensuring compliance with the regulations.
- a. Persons, who are not willing to comply with these rules, are to be denied participation in the hunt.
- b. In other respects, the competent authority may, in justified individual cases and upon request, allow exemptions or impose other hygiene requirements, provided that a regulation pursuant to the Corona Control Ordinance is not mandatory, the level of protection appears comparable and the purpose of the Corona Control Ordinance is met.