



Native American Fish and Wildlife Society IHEA-World Certified Hunt Safe Program

The NAFWS has worked with the IHEA to institute a World certified hunter education course that Tribes can use to train new and upcoming hunters. The course is recognized by 19 countries including, Australia, Austria, Canada, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, and the United States; of which, all 50 U.S. States, the ten Provinces and three Territories of Canada, and the 31 United Mexican States confer reciprocity.

There are currently three training options that Tribal Nations can choose from to provide quality safety training to their hunter education participants. Tribes can choose from one, two or all three training options depending on their specific needs, objectives and instructor capacities.

The course allows Tribes to add any specific information they would like, such as, funding sources, special regulations, and cultural segments to the ten basic requirements that every course must include. All three options require the respective Tribal seal or logo for the issuance of NAFWS Hunter Education Instructor or Student Cards.

Internet Course

Students will take an online course through the National Rifle Association training website portal to achieve certification and a Hunter Education Card. The students work through the course book taking a test at the end of each chapter. Once complete, a Hunter Education Card with the Tribe's logo will be printed. This course does not require in-person training or a field assessment. Minimal staff time.

Internet Course + In-Person/Field Exercise Conclusion Class

This class is designed with the students taking the booklet portion of training via the National Rifle Association training website portal. This option allows Tribes to add any content they want to.

When the students complete the online course, a certificate of completion will be issued to the student who can bring it into the Tribal office to complete the training. Tribes have the option to test the students immediately in person or conduct a field training day then test the students afterward. High to moderate levels of staff time.

Traditional In Person Class with or without a field exercise

The class will be conducted in a classroom setting and instructors can perform any field safety exercises needed. This is the traditional style class with 10 to 12 hours of instructor and student interaction over the length of a few days. The standard Hunter Education booklet "Today's Hunter" will be used, and a final assessment test will be conducted. High levels of staff time.

Trainers

Instructors will be certified by the NAFWS and will have an online account at the IHEA Instructors website where they can utilize continuing education courses to maintain their standing. Existing state certified instructors can be immediately added, and any new instructors can attend in-person training at both the national and regional conferences.

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