

2022 Hunting Incidents

Type A Hunting Safety Incidents are those that involve the discharge of a hunting device

Type B Hunting Safety Incidents are those that do not involve the discharge of a hunting device

Type C Hunting Safety Incidents are those that are medical issues while in the field or injuries suffered while in the field, but not from the act of hunting

Type	Injury	Cause	County	Date	Day	Time	Sex	Age	Legally Hunting	Hunter Education	Implement	Species Hunted	Description
B	Minor	Misstep Improper use of tree	Jasper	10/8	Fri	3:00:00PM	F	35	Yes	No	Bow	Deer	Hunter was using a ladder stand. Stated there was a good amount of dew on the ground when walking to the stand. When stepping on the last rung of the stand, she slipped, and fell approximately 15 feet landing on right foot/ankle. Fall resulted in broken foot/ankle. Fall Arrest System was not being used.
B	Major		Jersey	10/9	Sat	9:30AM	M	53	Yes		Compound Bow	Deer	Hunter was descending from his treestand when the strap on the climbing stick broke. The hunter fell 18' suffering a C6, T12, and L3 fracture. Fall Arrest System was not being used.
B	Minor	Fall	Crawford	10/10	Sun	5:45:00PM	M	39	Yes		N/A	Deer	Supervising adult on a youth deer hunt. Victim and youth had climbed into the elevated stand for the morning hunt. The adult and youth were in the stand when the ratchet strap broke and both fell to the ground breaking the adults scapula and 4 ribs. The stand has been up approximately 5 years. Fall Arrest System was not being used.
B	Minor	Equipment Failure	Brown	10/11	Mon	6:45PM	M	58	Yes		N/A	Deer	Supervising adult on a youth deer hunter were sitting in an elevated deer blind. The blind tipped over, the youth was not injured. The supervising adult sustained 5 fractured ribs. Failure to inspect stand.
B	Major	Equipment Break	Henderson	10/23	Sat	7:20AM	M	64	Yes	Yes	Crossbow	Deer	Hunter was climbing ladder, and noticed pins connecting ladder sections were bending. Bending of pins caused entire stand to shift and fall to the ground, causing hunter to fall 15'-17'. Fall resulted in broken hip, bruised ribs, and bruised sternum. Fall Arrest System was not being used.
B	Major	Equipment Break	Calhoun	10/30	Sat	6:50PM	M	28	Yes	Yes	Compound Bow	Deer	Hunter was climbing out of deer stand to climbing sticks when fall took place. The buckle on the strap broke; hunter was able to hold on to climbing sticks but climbing sticks bent to 90° angle causing hunter to fall approximately 20' and sustain fractured L2 vertebra and lacerated liver. Hunter has all functions and is walking. Fall Arrest System was not being used.
B	Major		Fulton	11/2	Tue	3:00PM	M	51	Yes	Yes	Crossbow	Deer	Hunter was using climber tree stand. Cable broke while climbing with climber tree stand. Fall was approximately 10' resulting in fracture of L1 vertebra. Fall Arrest System was not being used.
B	Minor	Equipment Failure	Gallatin	11/19	Thu	6:38AM	M	78	Yes		UNK	Deer	Hunter went to the stand early in the morning. Stand had previously been placed that week. Stand was placed approximately 20' on a Sugarberry tree. The top portion of the climber tree stand shifted and hunter fell from stand. Hunters foot caught the carrying strap on the bottom portion of the climber stand preventing a fall to the ground. Hunter was able to cut strap holding foot, but could not maintain grip on stand and fell to the ground. Hunter suffered sprained leg and back. Fall Arrest System was not being used.
B	Major	Fall	Effingham	11/19	Thu	4:15PM	F	17	Yes		.12ga Shotgun	Deer	Hunter was hunting from two-person ladder stand when she stood up to shoot at deer. Upon firing, recoil caused loss of balance. Hunter fell off ladder stand, approximately 18.5', sustaining lower back injury. Fall Arrest System was not being used.
B	Major	Equipment break	Montgomery	11/20	Fri	12:08PM	M	52	Yes		UNK	Deer	Hunter was securing himself in a hang on deer stand. Hunter clipped into safety harness attached to the tree. Stand cables broke that attach the platform to the seat of the stand. After stand platform cables broke, safety harness strap broke (had been attached to the tree for a couple years). Hunter fell approximately 16'. Failure to inspect equipment.

