



CROSSBOW SAFETY

YOUR FIRST PRIORITY, AND OURS TOO.

SAFETY FIRST

Safety and ethics are the cornerstones of hunting. Make decisions in the field that not only keep you safe but also reflect well on the hunting community as a whole.



1 CHECK EQUIPMENT

Inspect all your gear and equipment (crossbow, string, cables, bolts, etc.) prior to each use – ensuring your crossbow is properly assembled and in good condition. Do not use a damaged crossbow or equipment.

2 HAND SAFETY

Never place fingers or thumbs on, in or near the arrow/flight track, the string and/or the cables. Placing fingers or thumbs on, in or near the arrow/flight track, the string and/or the cables may result in serious injury, including finger and/or thumb amputation.

3 TRIGGER SAFETY

Keep your finger off the trigger and the safety engaged until you're ready to shoot. Re-engage the safety if you don't end up shooting.

4 HANDLING YOUR CROSSBOW

Always point your crossbow in a safe direction (i.e. where there is not anything or anyone who might be damaged if the crossbow discharged) at all times – regardless of whether your crossbow is loaded or not.

5 DRY FIRING

Never "dry fire" (i.e., release a cocked crossbow string without a recommended arrow properly loaded into the receiver) your crossbow. Dry firing a Barnett crossbow will immediately void your warranty and result in catastrophic damage to the crossbow. Should your Barnett crossbow dry fire, it must be inspected by a qualified Barnett service representative prior to further use. Failure to follow these instructions may result in serious injury!

6 ARROW SELECTION

Only load properly spined (stiffness), sized (length) and weighted arrows with moon or half-moon nocks into your crossbow. All Barnett crossbows come equipped with compatible arrows; consult your local retailer if you need more. (We recommend Bloodsport brand crossbow arrows.)

7 PROPER LOADING

Check to make sure the crossbow is fully cocked and the arrow is properly loaded into your crossbow before firing.

8 PROPER DE-COCKING

The only way to de-cock your crossbow is to shoot it into a safe target. Never attempt to de-cock your crossbow by hand or with a rope cocking device. Attempting to do so puts you at risk of personal injury.

9 WHAT TO WEAR

Always wear quality, close-toed shoes or boots while operating a crossbow. Never operate in flip flops, slippers sandals or barefoot.

10 BASIC MAINTENANCE

Check the string and cables for any signs of fraying; replace them before further use if you see any frays. To extend the life of your string and cables, apply lube wax to these areas every 5 to 10 shots or if you see any "white fuzz" begin to appear. Failure to follow these instructions may result in a break during use, which may damage your bow or cause injury.

STATE REGULATIONS

Know before you go.

- A** Legal during archery season
- B** Legal during firearm season
- C** Legal for disabled hunters during archery season
- D** Legal during parts of archery season
- E** Legal for elderly hunters
- F** Legal during archery season in 2014; will be reviewed in 3 years
- G** Legal on private land during archery season

