## **SAFETY FIRST!**

Your safety is our number one concern at Blue Mountain Lodge. We want to make sure that you have a safe and enjoyable trip with us. Before you leave our lodge in route to the field, my staff or I will brief you on our safety procedures and evacuation plans. This will include a discussion of any of your ongoing medications or injuries that we should know about, our emergency plan, how it is implemented, and our course of action. All of your guides are first aid and CPR trained. We will discuss and demonstrate how to use our satellite phones, personal locator/strobe beacons (PLB), and Marine VHF radios. Before your first flight in our bush planes you will be briefed on emergency procedures related to that aircraft.

All of your guides will be carrying:

First Aid Kits.
Satellite Telephones or Garmin inreach
Marine VHF Radios
Personal Locator/strobe Beacons (PLB)

Since we are hunting, firearm safety is of the upmost concern.

- Never chamber a round in your firearm until your guide tells you to do so!
- The pilots of the Bush planes will always check your firearm to make sure there is no round in the chamber before loading them into the plane.
- When in the field, with your firearm, always be aware of where your muzzle is pointed. Always treat your firearm as if it were loaded with a cartridge in the chamber.

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## **Medical emergency procedures**

**Life-threatening injury** and evacuation plan

## Follow the steps below, if the Satellite Phone is in your possession. Satellite phone dialing instructions are on the flap that covers the keyboard.

- 1. Protect victim from further harm, administer first aid, and make victim as comfortable as possible, maintain their body temperature and protect them from the elements!
- 2. Activate PLB
- 3. Alaska rescue coordination center 907-428-7230.
- a) Give responders the patience Life-threatening injury
- b) Tell them your location (map is inside waterproof phone case)
- c) Give them GPS coordinates if possible, tell them you have activated PLB
- d) Tell them you have a Marine VHF radio & you will monitor channel 16
- e) Be prepared to activate strobe when aircraft is near, or use signaling device such as an orange panel, white trash bag, flashlight, etc.
- 4. Contact Lodge at 907-360-0541

## Follow the steps below if Satellite Phone is in Spike Camp:

- 1. Protect victim from further harm and administer first aid.
- 2. Activate personal locator/strobe Beacon (PLB)
- 3. Continue first aid, maintain their body temperature, and protect them from the elements.
- 4. Monitor channel 16 on Marine VHF radio
- 5. Prepare signal devices for use, strobe, orange panel, white trash bag, etc.
- 6. Take care of yourself make sure you are staying dry and warm
- 7. Stay with the victim unless you are very close to the Satellite Phone. You cannot leave a helpless person alone in bear country.

The emergency rescue may be on scene within 4-6 hours from the time they have received a PLB signal or phone call **if a helicopter is available.** 

| CLIENT                              | * | GUIDE              |
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| Emergency #s                        |   | Emergency #s       |
|                                     |   |                    |
| Medical History/RX                  |   | Medical History/RX |
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| Firearm safety                      |   |                    |
| Satellite phone operation           |   |                    |
| Location of spike camp              |   |                    |
| PLB & Marine VHF Operation          |   |                    |
| Communication briefing /safety plan |   |                    |
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