

# FOX HUNT RULES and SUGGESTIONS Al Shuman K1AKS 4/1/11

There are two rules for every fox hunt:

1. There are no rules.
2. Follow rule number one.

There are suggestions on how to run a fox hunt”

1. Up front, everyone agrees to; and fully understands the plan.
2. Everyone agrees how complex the hunt will be.
3. Establish a start and end time. No one leaves; they need to tell somebody for safety reasons!
4. Limit your hunt area. Too large an area, people will be doing more driving than finding.
5. Have the necessary permissions, if you are going to be on private property.

Other suggestions:

1. Work in teams. Pair up an experienced member with the novice.
2. Meet at a central location before you start the hunt,
3. Meet back at the same location at the conclusion of the hunt.
4. Awards small prizes.
5. Go out on the web read up on fox hunts and suggestions on how to run your hunt.

There are two types of Fox's. I will call them active and passive. Active includes live people that will act the part of the Fox. Passive is the use of an automatic transmitter, usually specifically built for a fox hunt.

If you choose an active Fox, the Fox should consist of two people they will keep each other company. They should bring food and drink and other necessities for comfort.

As for the hunters, again I suggest you work in teams. One guy made mans the foxhunting equipment and the second person, transmits on a second radio and does the plotting. It is a good idea to switch off roles every so often to keep up interest.

I suggest you read up on fox hunting techniques. There is plenty of information on the web.

Remember to attenuate your receive signal as you get close. Use both electronic and visual clues. Look left to right and don't forget to look up and down.

When you're putting together your foxhunting equipment consider mounting pieces together so you don't fumble around with them in the field.

Let everyone have a chance to find the Fox. When you find the Fox just announced the word “bingo” then keep quiet until the debriefing.

**Bring a camera, - Good luck and have fun!**