

## Scent Elimination, How to Fool a Buck's Nose By Myles Keller

At Wildlife Research Center® we have been pondering that question for many years. We feel that we are on the “cutting edge” of the research on a whitetails’ olfactory system and we have



countless hours into examining what it takes to go undetected in the whitetails’ world.

A system of scent elimination could possibly be the most important detail in getting closer to whitetail. Whether you're hunting, scouting or setting up a treestand you should be aware of the foreign odors that you're carrying in with you and the odors that are transferred to other objects and possibly left behind. Ideally we want to eliminate these odors or bring them down to trace levels that a whitetail will tolerate.

Step One - The first step is to wash your clothes in a Scent Killer® Liquid™ or Powder Clothing Wash™. These two unique formulas clean your clothing and wash away odors. The powder formula goes a step further and chemically destroys odors on the molecular level as it cleans. Make sure to wash all layers down to your undergarments.

Once your clothing is washed the best way to dry it is to hang it outside. However, if you live next to a gas station or if the temperatures would freeze your clothes solid, it's perfectly all right to use your dryer.



Step Two - Once your clothes are totally dry. Seal them in a scent protective container. A plain garbage bag will work but there are other items like plastic storage containers or garment bags that will also keep odors from permeating your clothes. Scent Killer® Spray can also be sprayed on at this point and allowed to dry into the clothes before they are put into your container.

Step Three - The next step involves getting "you" scent free. The most offensive odor that there

is to a whitetail is human scent. Shower with Scent Killer® Liquid Soap™ or Scent Killer® Bar Soap™. Once you have showered use Scent Killer® Anti-Perspirant & Deodorant. Make sure to also brush your teeth in a baking soda type toothpaste.

Unless you are going straight to the field, it is best to put on a set of clothing that has been washed in Scent Killer® Clothing Wash™, but NOT the clothes you are wearing to actually hunt in. Keep your hunting clothes sealed in their container until you get to the exact area that you intend to hunt.

Step Four - Any smell that a whitetail smells has to be in the form of a gas. Scent Killer® Spray bonds with odor molecules to make them too heavy to escape in the form of a gas. Scent Killer® Spray may be used right before you enter the woods, however, many hunters don't realize that Scent Killer® Spray

works for days after it has dried into your clothing. Scent Killer® Spray continues to work until your clothes are washed again or until all the active ingredient is used up.

Scent Killer® works in much the same way that a carbon suit works. It bonds with and traps odor molecules so there is no gas. Hunters should also make sure that they spray their carbon clothing. Carbon suits can help contain human body odor but consider if there are other odors in the actual cloth part of the suit. Scent Killer® Spray will help eliminate these smells.

Before your outing, remove your hunting clothes from their container and hang them in an odor free area. Spray down all layers of your clothing concentrating on your high perspiration areas. Let the Scent Killer® Spray dry into your clothing and then return your clothes to their container. Keep them in the container until you get to your hunting site. Once you reach your hunting area you may choose to add a final spray of Scent Killer® to your outer layer.

