See What's Allowed In Your Area

- Assure that it is legal to shoot archery within the town/city/county that you live.
  - Call your nearby archery shop or local police department or check on your city website.
- Have a conversation with your neighbors to avoid future conflict.
- Take photos of your outdoor space and bring them to your local archery shop for assistance and recommendations on how to shoot safely in your yard and which target would work best.

Ensure Your Layout Is Safe

- Don't shoot towards houses, roads or public-use areas.
- Consider your backstop. Even if you're an advanced archer, plan on missing and use a man-made or natural barrier.
- Use the distances on the graphics at right as a rule of thumb for safe distances beyond and to the sides of your target.
- Don't draw your bow upward (sky-draw).

Other Considerations

- Keep pets indoors.
- Use range commands if other people are outside with you.