

Rules & Regulations

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF Horse Creek Farms, Tennessee

1. Club Information:

Horse Creek Farms is located in Wayne and Hardin counties of Tennessee. It is made up of 600 acres of owned land and 2240 acres of leased land. 2100+ acres are continuous with more than ample shooting houses and stands. The Club was originally founded in 1996 and has been Game Trophy managed since with most of the surrounding properties doing the same. We are a full service club, a 2800 sq. ft. log cabin, and a 2000 sq. ft. barn of equipment amenities.

The purpose of the club is for the quiet and safe enjoyment of hunting and fishing, so that we may have fun and continued successful hunting and outdoor activities.

These rules have been created for the club member to ensure equal treatment and rights for all members, to create a family type atmosphere and to foster a general atmosphere of respect for the members, farmers and landowners. All members will be expected to follow these rules at all times and report any infractions to the club president and lessee, Steve Canfield, as soon as possible.

It is understood that the Founding Member of this Club will have the right to reject, accept or terminate these applicants at their discretion with no recourse by the applicant or member for the rejection or dismissal of said applicant.

Your founding member is Steve Canfield and there will be established a Board of Directors (BOD) for the club and be a governing body for its members.

Existing memberships that are terminated before September 20 will receive full reimbursement of their dues. Memberships terminated after November 18 will receive one half their dues at the discretion of the managers. No dues will be

refunded to members that are terminated for breach of club rules or hunting violations. Terminated members have no recourse to recover lost dues.

Failure to adhere to these rules is grounds for a fine and or immediate termination of member and their membership, with no refund of fees.

2. MEMBERSHIPS & DUES:

Membership dues for the 2013 -2014 season are due on or before June 1 of each year. Any member whose dues are not paid by June 30 will be considered to have an open membership and may be replaced by a new member at the discretion of the management. The management has the right to adjust the membership dues amount at their discretion. Any new member must make application and be approved. Please be prompt. The yearly out lay of funds is heavy this time of year to maintain the club (new members and, or existing members cannot hunt until dues are paid in full.).

It is the member's responsibility to have the check, payable to:

Horse Creek Farm LLC.
3114 Marina Dr.
Athens AL, 35611

This is not a family membership. It is a family oriented club. The membership paid by the member will allow a member's immediate family (spouse and children up through age 16 and living in the same household) to hunt as a " non-paying guest" without being charged a fee.

Any children between the age of 16 - 20 or over will be considered a paying Jr. Members under the family policy. Those 21 and older would be considered as a normal membership and same dues apply.

You may bring a guest outside the family to hunt, a fee of \$200.00 per day apply in advance. You may bring 2 guests per hunting season with no more than 7 guest days allow as a total as we must be fair to all of our paying member friends.

At no time can a "guest" family member assume the role of the club member.

Family guest are not allowed to access the camp and hunt without the club member being present. Please read Club dues and fee schedule on our web site www.horsecreekfarmstn.com

3.General Rules:

1. Camp/campground and lease property are available for use through the hunting season dates only. Any access other than this time will require approval in advance from the club president.

Dates for normal use are as follows:

Big Game- September 28 (archery), November 9 (muzzle loader), November 23 through January 12 of the following year. 2014 Spring Turkey season. Scouting, setting stands, corning, etc. - June 1 through August 1. These Dates are an estimate for next year's hunting schedule set by the state.

2. Camp remains available during off-season for special circumstances and permission from the clubs president. This is for Members and immediate family members at no charge.

3. Members will be expected to help keep the lease, skinning shed, cooler, freezers, camp house, campground, and club stands clean and in good condition. Pick up your trash, close windows, shut off electric.

No modifications or repairs are to be made to any of the above without the club president's approval. Members will be held financially responsible for any and all damages incurred to the club facilities or lease due to negligence by the member or their guest (paying or nonpaying). Repairs or replacement will be at the club president's discretion.

4. Members will do everything possible to ensure that they do not damage crops. The farmers are our allies and we should keep their best interest a priority. Never drive through the planted field, always walk or drive around.

Do not litter tree stands or lease property.

5. For the safety of all, loaded weapons are not allowed in the camp or campers. All weapons must be stored in the camp gun rack located in the camp house basement or the barn. NO LOADED WEAPONS IN CABIN PERIOD.

All weapons must be empty of all ammunition with bolts open, clips out and visibly safe and disarmed to all. Locking the camp house door to secure weapons is at the member's discretion.

6. Members are required to obtain prior approval from the club president to construct, place modify or remove any stand on the lease.

ALL stands are shared and on a first come first serve basis. Members are required to mark the locations of all approved stands placed on the lease on the club map with designated stickers. (Only exception to the above is) Each member may have ONE privately owned portable stand of any type that only the member or their designee may hunt out of.

This stand is a climbing tree stand must be removed from the lease each trip before leaving for home. Fixed stands must be taken down at seasons end or they become camp property.

**NOTE: Member owns the stand not the area in which it is placed.
(Fields, roads, woods, etc.)**

BEING CONSIDERATE AND WORKING TOGETHER IS EXPECTED.

7. Use of illegal drugs is prohibited. No person, member or guest, shall access the camp house, campground, or lease while under the influence and or unruly.

Any person, member, or guest accessing the leased land or club land while in possession of, or under the influence of alcohol is subject to immediate termination of their membership. No person shall be armed or hunting while impaired of any kind. Safety cannot be jeopardized. This does not mean having fun at camp or in the cabin is denied, use good judgment and be kind to others.

8. At the start of the season, members will be able to pin their first hunting spot at noon the day before opening day. Members are to draw names from a hat in the event that more than one member desires to hunt the same stand at the noonday pinning for the opening day Hunt. This only applies to the start of the season pinning and not throughout the season.

9. Smoking inside the camp house, bathrooms, skinning cooler room and bunkhouse are prohibited.

Do not litter the yard with cigarette butts. All cigarette butts are to be placed in a Fireproof "butt "can that is provided.

10. Do not leave any campfire unattended. Fire must be completely extinguished before leaving it. Fires can only be in the designated area at the camp. Individual campsite fires are not allowed.

11. Any disputes that cannot be resolved by the members are to be brought to the Club President and or BOD for mediation. At no time will a member complain or discuss problems concerning the club to the landowners or farmers.

DO NOT ask the land owners or farmers to borrow anything for the club.

12. Normally, two work weekends are planned before each season starts in order to repair, improve and prepare any stands that are not on food plots or green field prior to the start of the season. It is not expected that any members attend at one of the two work weekends in order to maintain stands on the property. As a member of this club, we each have a responsibility to take part in caring for the land and to keep the privilege of using it. If you desire to put a stand in a certain scouted location as long as it is not in conflict with any other stands, permission would not be unduly withheld. Member stands should be set up the two weeks prior to the hunting season.

13. No trees are to be cut down. No spikes, nails, bolts, etc. are to be driven into the trees. Mild trimming of tree limbs and shooting lanes are to be kept to a minimum.

14. Landowners, president, lessee or other members are not held liable or responsible for theft or loss of personal property or injury to members, family members or guests.

Each member must sign a member agreement form and hold harmless agreement before accessing the camp or lease the first time of the season or prior to.

15. Any person's membership being terminated for any reason will be required to remove all personal belongings, including field supplies, by the end of the second weekend following termination. After that time, anything remaining will be considered club property.

NOTE: Club president or his designee must be present before accessing the camp, campground or lease.

16. Gates are to be locked behind you at all times.

4. Hunting Rules:

1. All members and their guests shall possess a current Tennessee hunting license and shall abide by all of the rules, regulations and laws that govern hunting in Tennessee.

2. Members shall follow Firearm Safety Rules when hunting. Be absolutely sure of your target and backdrop before firing. Pay attention to the homes and roads in the area.

3. A membership entitles the member to two people hunting at one time with a firearm. No more than two guns in the field at one time per member. Only exception: When a member is hunting with their child in the same tree stand. A child may have a firearm that they are comfortable with. At no time will a member and their guest utilize more than two stands. A club member hunting alone can utilize his guest pin with another member's nonpaying family guest if he so chooses. This does not apply to a paying guest.

4. Each member will be assigned a member and guest number. Before going into the field to hunt, all members and their guest shall pin their hunting location in person on the club map located in the camps dining room. This is a safety measure for all and is not optional. Only one location is to be pinned per hunter at one time. All pins are to be removed from the map before leaving for home.

5. All deer and turkey taken are to be logged into the game book with all of the pertinent information (sex, weight, points, etc.) If the animal taken is by anyone other than a member, member must indicate his or her name also. All deer must have one jawbone removed, tagged with the logbook number and placed in the area provided before leaving for home. No Exceptions!

6. All harvested animals must pass through the club skinning shed for weighing, club picture and jaw bone removal. Discard remains in the gut hole and put a scoop of lime on top.

7. A picture of each animal with the person harvesting it must be taken with the camp camera provided. In the rare case of a person hunting with no one to take a picture, a picture of just the animal will be acceptable. ALL animals, does, bucks, and turkey require a picture to be taken.

8. When walking to and from your stand, please keep in mind the location of others and do your best not to disturb the area that others are hunting.

9. ATV use on this lease is for utility use only, NOT recreational. We highly recommend that electric vehicles be used during the season as this puts very little pressure on the fields, great care has been taken to be able to access fields and stands w/o going through one.

10. All means of transportation to the hunting areas (the lease) must park in the designated areas indicated on the lease map. Recreational riding and scouting by ATV, golf cart, automobile, etc. is prohibited.

The use of a motorized vehicle of any kind to corn the lease or to relocate a stand is limited to the hours of 11am-1pm only, prior to the hunting season.

Removing downed animals from the lease is limited to a quick in and out for morning hunts and 11am-1pm for midday hunts and after dark for evening hunts. All other times are prohibited. Keep ATV use and speeds on the lease to a minimum. All persons under the age of 21, not riding with an adult, are required to wear a helmet while operating an ATV.

11. Always treat others as you would have them treat you. In other words, show respect and consideration for each other at all times.

12. All tree stands are to be shared by mutual agreement of all members with the exception of ONE privately owned stand as outlined in rule (#6) of General Rules. All other stands are on a first come, first serve basis by pinning your desired stand in person with your membership pin on the club map. No stand locations may be chosen until the morning of the hunt. BOD may at its discretion change or take control of said hunting locations.

13. The number of does we cull vary from year to year. Normally the club likes to remove a min of 28 does during bow season not on the food plots, which would be approximately two to three does per member available for each member. Please note: though every effort is made for equal distribution of does among the members, there may be times during the season that adjustments have to be made based on number of does taken at that point. The club must make every effort to meet the requirements of the clubs management's policies. We may at times allow does to be harvested by youths on their weekend hunts and early on in the gun season. In this situation, distribution of does killed will be at the discretion of the Club President or the BOD.

14. Members and their guests are to make every attempt to avoid shooting "nubbie" bucks. If it is small and all alone he is a male button buck would be a good chance. If a Button buck is taken during bow season no fine is levied.

15. Each member is expected to make every attempt to locate a wounded animal. Purposely leaving an animal lying in the woods is grounds for immediate termination of your membership. All animals taken are to be processed as normal.

16. No movement rule applies on property for 1.5 hours after sunup and 1.5 hours before sundown.

17. Deer size limit minimum is 4 score able points on one side. If you would not mount him don't shoot him. Get your check book out if you want one

that bad. (\$500.00 fine) We are doing a preseason survey(this is part of your membership), we will have photos and basic locations of the 4+ yr old bucks. We are trophy hunters here, Please let them grow up. We will get them next season.

18. Unnecessary walking throughout the lease is prohibited. Slip in and slip out is preferred.

19. Approved animals to be taken are DEER, HOG and COYOTES only.

Turkey during season and other legal small game are permitted.

20. Members are not expected to help with the corning of club stands and the filling of feeders throughout the season. All planting and corn feeding will be done by the club, all you do is show up and hunt and fish have fun.

5. Bag Limit:

1. Each member is expected to take at least one doe. We would like you to take two – three does. If for any reason you do not need the meat, please share with the members that do, or call Steve Canfield 931-724-6644 for a name of someone that does.

2. All bucks taken by members and their adult guests must be a 8-point type or better. A point (tine) must be long enough for a ring to hang on it without falling off. A (\$500 fine) will be levied and member to pay for this infraction within 30 days. Children are allowed to take any legal buck as long as each buck taken has a higher number of points than they're last taken in that current year. (\$250 fine).

3. Members may take two club bucks 4+ years old 8 points or better, the second buck must be better than 1st one taken. Please we are a Trophy Managed Club. If you won't mount him don't shoot! I do not want to be in the fining business, do not make us enforce the rules. You are a distinguished hunter if you are a member here, you should know what to do.

4. We have two outparcels that total 700+ acres, we do plan on maintaining those food plots, These areas will be for new guest and youths who want to shoot a deer, These areas do not fall under the clubs Game Trophy Management rules, we will allow all harvested deer here without penalties.

Please use discretion.

6. Paying Guest:

- 1. Guest must be approved by the Club Director. Each guest is charged a fee of \$200.00 per calendar day hunted. The Member is responsible for guest fees that they are collected and forwarded to the club. The fee applies even if the guest only hunts an AM or PM hunt. This fee applies to non-family guest's children hunting as well. (Non-family guest's children fall under normal guest policy.) If an adult and child both carry a weapon to the same stand, both are charged the guest fee.**
- 2. Guests are allowed to hunt a total of 7 days per individual per season. Days can be broken up into a maximum of two visits. Guests are not allowed to hunt on the following dates: Archery, Muzzle loader, Rifle opening weekends No guest the last 3 weeks of gun season ending in January.**
- 3. Guest are not allowed to pin the club map until 6am for the morning hunt and are required to remove their pin from the club map by noon. Guest are allowed to pin the club map at 2pm for the evening hunt and are required to remove their pin after the hunt. Trading stands locations with a member or nonpaying guest is prohibited.**
- 4. Guests are to adhere to all club rules. Members will be responsible for their guests. Guests are not allowed to access the campground or the lease unless accompanied by a member.**
- 5. Members are to ensure that their guests do not inconvenience other members at any time. If members bring more than one person, guest or family, they will need to work with the other members so that no one is put out.**
- 6. Members must sign all paying guest in and out of the guest book and indicate number of calendar days hunted. NOTE: Non-hunting guests are allowed without a fee or being logged in the guest book as long as the number of guests is kept to a minimum and they do not inconvenience club members.**
- 7. Prior approval from the club president is required before any past member or his or her family can return to the camp house, campground, or lease as a guest.**

8. Adult (paying) guest are allowed one Buck 8-points or better and one Doe. Children (paying) guest are allowed one state legal Buck and one Doe.

7. Camper Rules:

- 1. Members will be assigned a camp site to use throughout the season if needed and with permission. There is limited area for any campers.**
- 2. Permission to bring a camper on the property must have prior approval. Members will be directed as to how they should position their camper trailer. Club President or his designee must be present during camper placement. The Cabin sleeps 11-12 hunters personal campers are not required. We are not set up for many campers or camp sites, there is a heated barn with bath and shower available.**
- 3. Once a trailer has been placed in the campground it is to remain in place until the end of the season. Special circumstances must be approved by the club president.**
- 4. Member is responsible for weed eating around their trailer and maintaining a clean campsite at all times during the season. If allowed any camper must be removed immediately after Deer hunting season.**
- 5. Motorized vehicles are not allowed within the hunting areas. Motorized vehicles must park in their designated areas.**
- 6. All items outside of your camper except for chairs and tables must be put inside of your camper upon leaving for home.**
- 7. Camper's main power cord must be unplugged and water supply (faucet) must be turned off upon leaving for home. Campers found with the power cord still plugged in and/or water supply on will be unplugged and the water supply will be shut off without the president, landowner, or lessee held responsible for damage or loss to the member's camper or its personal contents. There will be a \$100.00 fine for each occurrence.**
- 8. Any member not maintaining membership for the following year must contact the club president to make arrangements to remove their all of their personal belongings. This must be accomplished prior to April 15th of the following year. Anything left behind becomes club property and will be disposed of as the club president sees fit.**
- 9. Campfires and BBQ grills are not allowed at the campsites. Members must use the common area provided by the club.**

10. No member may build a deck, awning or etc. onto their camper must obtain approval from the club president prior to commencing.
11. Extension cords of any kind are not allowed to lie on the ground or be routed overhead for any reason.
12. Maximum camper length is 34 feet including the tongue. Campers with slide out rooms must not interfere with adjoining campers.
13. The eight acres that the club house and campground is on is a NO HUNT AREA. (Do not shoot towards the campground)
14. Pets are not allowed to run loose at the campground or on the lease. All pets must be kept on a leash and must be walked off of the campground and lease property unless actively trailing a wounded deer.

8. Camp House Cabin:

1. Members will be assigned a bunk in the camp house to be used throughout the season.
2. We have a 2800 sq. ft. log cabin to use for the season, consisting of a loft with 2 beds, loft bedroom with 5 beds, and a complete bathroom. The main floor has a complete kitchen, dining area and living room with a big screen satellite TV. And a bathroom. (Master bedroom is taken.) Basement has two freezers, a refrigerator, Pool Table, 3 – 4 bunk beds. Storage closets are down stairs as well.
3. No boots or shoes in the cabin, socks bedroom shoes only, we have a front and back porch and Basement entry area to leave boots on.
4. Beds are made complete with clean linens and bed spreads, we have laundry facilities on the premises. Please clean and leave in like condition.
5. Mrs. Canfield and I have made great effort in delivering you a clean comfortable place to eat, sleep and live during your hunting experience. Let us all keep it picked and cleaned up as possible.
6. A dishwasher is in the kitchen please keep all dirty dishes put in and run as needed, counters wiped off, stove cleaned food put away. Please remove any food that may spoil with you when leaving camp. Leave it like you found it or better rule applies. If you are unable to do this, arrange for a professional to come in and clean up after you promptly.
7. Please turn off lights, unplug chargers and such, turn house fire place to 50 degrees when leaving camp.
8. All floors to be swept up and mopped if needed. Before leaving camp.

9. Do not leave clothes in the washer and dryer please remove before leaving or soon as possible as others may want to use this amenity?

9. Important:

All members are required to secure the camp and the campground per the checklist (attached) upon leaving for home. Camp must be secured properly in order to avoid fire, flood, theft and unnecessary utilities costs.

Notify president of anything broken or not working properly.

10. Conduct:

1. Each person, member, and guest is required to conduct themselves in an orderly manner at all times. Disorderly conduct of any kind: fighting, arguing, being verbally abusive, drunkenness, or any display of anger of any type, will subject the members involved or the members of which the guests involved, to have their memberships terminated immediately without any refund of any kind.
2. Our club has women and children present at times and foul language is not necessary or tolerated at this club.
3. We do not support drinking or drug use, casual drinking is permitted, please use self-control we are all here to have fun. Absolutley drinking and then hunting is not permitted at all.
4. All fees / fines are to be paid to Horse Creek Farm LLC. BY Mail or in person to Steve Canfield within of fee / fine.
5. NO EXCEPTIONS- THE LEASE MUST BE PAID ON TIME TO SECURE A SPOT. It is the member's responsibility to pay and mail to:
Horse Creek Farm LLC. 3114 Marina Drive Athens AL 35611
6. Please note: Anyone entering false information in the Guest book (number of days, etc.) or Game Log book (weight, points, etc.) will have their membership terminated immediately with no discussion or refund.

11. Help Keep Club Cost down.

In the event the costs for operation overruns the money allowed or budgeted, members will not be expected to pitch in for the difference. To keep costs under control, keep heaters at moderate temperatures- dress warm, turn lights, fans, heaters, air conditioners, televisions, etc. off when leaving the camp house or your camper to go hunt or to go to town and etc.

Adhering to this will help in keeping the overall cost of the membership down. Please make sure that all of the children adhere to this rule as well.

12. Safety:

1. Please remember that it is everyone's job to keep our camp and lease safe. All members should feel free to address any unsafe situation (unsafe firearms, speeding ATVs, non-use of helmets by children, etc.) Our camp has young hunters and we must all make it our responsibility to teach them to be safe and we, ourselves must set a good example. Remember to unload weapons in the woods and travel with weapons unloaded. Wear safety belts in tree stands when required.

2. When climbing a ladder stand, lock on, or a tree climber we have done our best to provide you with safety lines, safety harnesses must be worn. Remember there are two types of climbers ones who have fell, and ones who will fall.

*******A Good Hunt Is A Safe Hunt*******

Remember that the rules are made to protect the individual's rights of each member and to ensure that all members are treated equally. We are looking for a family atmosphere and a family attitude from each member. If this is not what you are looking for, I highly recommend that you seek another lease. Safe enjoyable fun.

These rules have been Revised 1/13.

Steve Canfield -

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Club President/Lease Holder

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