

Mossy Pond Hunting Club Rules and Regulations

I. Governing Body

- A. The governing body of this hunting club shall be the Directors.
- B. The Directors are:
 - Eddie Bennett, President
 - Brad Arrington
 - Doug Puryear
 - Brian Adcock
 - Larry Barber
- C. New members must be approved by the Directors.

II. Rules

- A. During deer and turkey season hunting is limited to deer and turkey hunting.
- B. After deer season, hunters are allowed to hunt any game in season as allowed by the state game hunting rules and regulations.
- C. No trapping is allowed (except for club approved coyote or feral hog).
- D. All state game and fish rules and regulations must be obeyed.
- E. Deer Hunting:

Mossy Pond Hunting Club is a Quality Deer Management Hunting Club- ALL RULES REGARDING HARVEST AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED

1. Check In-

A check in station has been placed at the intersection of the Bee Gum and Mossy Pond Roads. All members and guests must check in and out every time they hunt. A logbook has been placed in the check in station for members and their guests to check in and out of the location they will be hunting.

When checking out please record any deer activity seen during that hunt. This will allow the club to keep better records of deer activity and aid in management of the deer herd.

Members and/or guests found not to have checked in or out will be subject to a fines as follows: first offense \$5, second offense \$10, third offense \$20 and fourth offense shall be called before the board of directors and subject to expulsion from the club.

2. **Stands-**

For the first 2 weeks of firearms season, a member's stands are reserved for use of that member only and those to whom the member grants permission to use his or her stands. For members with numerous stand locations which will not be used during the first 2 weeks of firearms season, please be courteous and advise other members that these additional stands may be utilized.

3. **Bucks-**

Each Membership may harvest 2 Bucks. A membership is defined as a member, a family member and/or guest. In no event may a Membership harvest more than 2 bucks collectively. A Membership harvesting more than 2 bucks may be expelled from the club.

4. **Buck Size**

Size Requirement-Only Bucks having 4 points on one side or more.

THE INTENT OF THIS RULE IS TO ALLOW FLEXIBILTY FOR MEMBERS WHO HAVE HAD VARYING DEGREES OF SUCCESS HUNTING PREVIOUSLY. THE INTENT OF THE CLUB IS TO GROW AND HARVEST OLDER AGE CLASS BUCKS. AS A GUIDELINE, IT IS THE INTENT OF THE CLUB FOR BUCKS HARVESTED TO BE OVER 115 AND 4 ½ YEARS OLD. THIS IS A TROPHY HUNTING CLUB. IF A BUCK WOULD NOT WARRANT A SHOULDER MOUNT BY YOU IF HARVESTED, DON'T SHOOT IT.

A Member must have any buck harvested scored by a Director within 1 week of harvest. THE FAILURE TO HAVE A BUCK SCORED WITHIN THIS TIME PERIOD SHALL CONSTITUTE THE HARVESTING AN UNDERSIZED BUCK AND THE MEMBER WILL BE CHARGED THE FULL FINE AMOUNT.

5. **Does-**

The maximum number of does harvested at Mossy Pond shall be **20** ("Doe Quota"). Members, their family members and guests may harvest does until the Doe Quota is filled. Once the Doe Quota has been filled, no does may be harvested. In no event may the number of does harvested by any Member, his family members or guests exceed 3 unless another Member agrees that such other Member may harvest a doe on his behalf. Any doe harvested in violation of this rule will result in a \$100 fine to the member.

6. **Reporting harvest-**

All deer harvested are to be recorded in the logbook in the check in station as well as reported to an officer or director within one week. Additionally, a digital photograph of any buck harvested must be taken on the day of harvest and sent to a director within 24 hours of harvest. Any Member failing to abide by this rule is subject to expulsion from club.

7. **Guests-**

Guests are permitted beginning on the third Saturday of firearms season. Guests are to be recorded in the logbook in the check in station along with a notation of which member is accompanying the guest. A member's immediate family members (spouse, minor children) do not constitute guests. Any deer killed by a guest counts towards the member's allotted harvest. All guests must be accompanied by a Member.

8. **Family Members-**

Family members include a Member's spouse and children while enrolled in school. Children under the age of 16 may only hunt under the direct supervision of an adult.

Family members of a Member may harvest a buck which shall count against the members total. In no event may a Member or his family members harvest more than two Bucks total during any one hunting season.

Family members may harvest does in accordance with the Doe Quota until the Doe Quota is met or the total number of does harvested by a Member, his family members or guests reaches 3 except as provided in section 5(e) above.

9. **Wounded Deer-**

Any deer which is wounded and any blood located will be deemed to be a deer killed by a hunter regardless of whether the deer is recovered. Any such wounded and not-recovered deer shall count towards the total harvest allowed by a Member.

- F. Do not shoot straight down roads.
- G. Do not drive nail or spikes into pine trees.
- H. No hunting within 300 yards of club owned feed stations.
- I. No one will be allowed to pursue deer with dogs with the intent to kill.
Dogs on leads after a wounded deer is permissible.
- J. Do not block roads with trucks and cars. DO NOT PARK IN OR NEAR
FOOD PLOTS IF YOU HAVE A STAND NEARBY.
- K. Please be respectful of other hunters and refrain from parking near areas where others are known to be hunting and driving through areas where others may be hunting during the hours of 6 a.m -10 a.m. and 3 p.m. until dark.

- L. Membership dues are to be paid by May 15th. Failure to pay dues in a timely fashion can result in the loss of Membership.
- M. No hunting from truck unless to or from stand.
- N. All fines must be paid by dues due date of the following year before membership can be renewed.
- O. **Turkey Hunting:** No turkey hunting allowed on club until our population increases.
- P. **Supplemental Feeding:** Any supplemental feeding of wildlife by a club member separate and apart from the Club feeding and food plot program shall be conducted in compliance with all State laws and regulations. No hunting permitted within 250 yards of protein feeders located on the South end.
- Q. **Dove Shoots:** From time to time, dove shoots may be held by the Club. The dates and times for any dove shoots will be set by the directors. No dove hunting may be conducted on club property except on such dates and at such times as set by the directors. All other hunting will be prohibited within 300 yards of the designated area on which a dove hunt is held on the day of the hunt.

III. Conduct

1. Any misconduct by a member during a hunt, meeting, work session or supper may lead to expulsion of the Member by the directors.
2. All Members are expected to help keep property clean and gates locked at all times.