

ELM-HAT CONSERVATION CLUB
RULES, PROVISIONS & CONDITIONS
2008-2009SEASON

A) General club rules

- 1) All members and guests will abide by and follow all Alabama State Game Laws.
- 2) NO baiting allowed. (All food put out must conform to State Laws.)
- 3) No permanent stands permitted. Only portable stands, made of metal or pressure treated wood, are permitted. All stands left on Club property after May 1, 2009 will belong to the Club and cannot be removed after that time, unless member joins the Club the following season. (*See tract specific for 1 exception*)
- 4) **All stands must have an identification tag that can be obtained from Elvis only. If a stand is found in the woods without a band, it will be removed BY ELVIS (Members are NOT allowed to pull these stands unless directed to do so by Elvis) and can be reclaimed for a fee of \$25.**
- 5) **All feeders must have an identification tag. All feeders must be removed no later than October 1, 2008 and the tag must be returned to Elvis. Members with feeders out will not be allowed to hunt until feeder and tag is removed. If a feeder is found in the woods without a tag, it will be removed and cannot be reclaimed.**
- 6) Un-sportsman like conduct will not be tolerated and will result in immediate removal from Elm-Hat with no refund.
- 7) No alcoholic beverages, or illegal drugs allowed on hunting property.
- 8) No Littering – Any person (member/guest) proven guilty of littering on campgrounds or any hunting property will be fined \$100. A \$50 reward will be paid to any person reporting “SEEING” the offense, after the offense has been proven as fact.
- 9) All new members are on probation the first year. No guarantee is given to any member that he may be a member of the Club the following year.
- 10) All members must have dues paid by June 2008. A late fee of \$50 per month will be applied after June 31st unless prior arrangements have been made with Elvis.
- 11) There will be 8 workdays scheduled. Each member must work 2 days out of the 8 days scheduled. Members will be fined \$100.00 per day for days not worked.
- 12) Elvis Manasco will schedule all Duck Hunts. Hunters are responsible for contacting Elvis for a schedule of planned hunts. It is the sole responsibility of the hunter to know when the hunts are to be held. Duck hunting will not be allowed by anyone, at any time other than these scheduled hunts.

B) Family Members & Guests

- 1) Members cannot have over one guest at a time per hunt, including family members.
- 2) Spouses and family members under 19 years of age hunt free and are considered as guests.
- 3) Family members 19 years of age and over that are full time college students hunt free.
- 4) No child under the age of 13 may sit on any stand without a licensed hunter 21 yrs old or older at arms reach. Any child 13-16 that produces an Alabama Hunters Education certificate, may sit on a stand alone PROVIDED a licensed hunter 21 yrs old or older, is at the next closest stand. NO EXCEPTIONS! NO CERTIFICATE = NO HUNTING ALONE. This is for the safety of everyone in the club.
- 5) No guest will be allowed to hunt or be on Club Property during the following times (except spouses and family members):
 - ◆ First and second week of Bow Season
 - ◆ Muzzle Loader Season
 - ◆ First and second week of Gun Season
 - ◆ The week of Christmas to New Years
 - ◆ The last two weeks of deer season
- 6) No guest may hunt over 4 days in any one season (except spouses and family members).
- 7) A guest card must be filled out before hunting on club property. These cards will be located at all pin boxes. Every member receives one guest permit. While on Elm-Hat properties, your guest must have this Elm-Hat hunting permit in his/her possession.
- 8) Members cannot take guests turkey hunting (hunting or not hunting), except for spouse or family member.
- 9) Each member is responsible for the rules broken by his guest and it counts as rules broken by the member.

C) Scouting/Moving about property

- 1) No trespassing or scouting on Club property by members, or anyone that has not paid to turkey hunt, during turkey season.
- 2) No moving around on Club land from daylight until 9:00 a.m. or from 3:30 p.m. until dark. If you shoot a deer and you can see the deer from your stand you can go to it. No trailing wounded deer or taking out dead deer during these times. Hunters must remain on their stand during these times.
- 3) Upon the first day of Bow season scouting will only be allowed from named roads only. (In other words, you are not allowed to walk/ride through the woods except for named roads.) There should be NO walk through scouting! We must consider those who may be/or plan to be hunting that area. Plan to do your "detailed scouting" before bow season begins.
- 4) Four-wheelers are permitted on Club land, on all named roads, but no regular vehicles except on main roads, that will be marked by solid orange lines on all pin maps. Four-wheelers are not allowed "OFF ROAD" EXCEPT FOR THE RETRIVAL OF GAME.

D) Pinning out for a stand/area

- 1) All members & member's guest must pin for deer stands. Members must pin for a road when turkey hunting.
- 2) Members and guest cannot pin out before 4:00 a.m. for stands (deer or turkey hunting).
- 3) Members and guest must remove pins after each hunt. Members and guest must be present on Club property to have pin for stand on the board. Members are not allowed to pin for a stand, leave and return to actually hunt at a later time. NO EXCEPTIONS. Pins must be removed within 1 hour after dark or place a note on the pin board explaining where and what you are doing.

E) Harvest Rules/Records

- 1) **Every member will be responsible for keeping a record of all deer and turkeys harvested by the member and any guest. At the end of each season, Elvis will contact members for his/her tally. Be prepared to report sex of game harvested, number of points and width of rack.**
- 2) Members can kill only one buck with 3 (three) points on one side, all other bucks must have 4 (four) points on one side. A member's spouse or child that has never killed a buck deer can kill one legal buck; limit one per member per season. Deer killed by member's guest counts as member's deer. Tract specific rules do apply and are listed below (or on the Maps page of our web site.)
- 3) Does can be harvested from October 14th until December 31st. Does harvested after January 1st, MUST be taken with a bow only. January does **cannot** be taken on or around any food plot. One doe per day and no limit on total number harvested.

F) Campground

- 1) Each member is responsible for maintaining and keeping clean his/her camp area. This includes keeping the grass cut and garbage up. (Grass typically needs cutting once per month.) Camp area may also be sprayed with Round Up; it's your choice, just keep it clean.
- 2) Members can use campground to put camper and/or motor home. There will be a fee of \$150.00 per season (October 1st thru May 1st) for each camper/motor home. A fee of \$20.00 per month will be charged each month if camper/motor home is left in campground in off-season (May 1st thru October 1st). Total campground fee per year for each camper/motor home will be \$250.00. Campground fees are due on October 1st.
- 3) Elm-Hat has a bunkhouse with bunks available and will be charged out at \$250 per bunk per season.

G) Disciplinary Board

- 1) **In an effort to maintain the level of quality time spent while on Elm-Hat campgrounds and hunting areas, a new disciplinary board has been established. This board consists of 4 members and 4 alternates (to serve if a member is unavailable) with Elvis Manasco as the tie-breaking vote (if needed).**
- 2) **Any member, or his guest, that has broken any rule will be taken before this board.**
- 3) **All fines imposed by this board must be paid before said member is allowed to hunt on any property.**
- 4) **All decisions made by the board are final.**
- 5) **Elvis will make the selections for board members and alternates.**
- 6) **Members of the board will be posted on or before October 1, 2008.**

H) Fines/Penalties

- 1) Fines for breaking the Elm-Hat Club rules are as follows:
 - ◆ 1st Offence - \$250.00
 - ◆ 2nd Offence - \$350.00

- ◆ 3rd Offence – Member will be banned from the club and all property with NO REFUND of dues. Offences will accumulate and are held toward a member for a period of three years. (Example: 3 strikes in 3 years = expulsion from club--- no refunds!)

I) Tract specific rules

- 1) Baker Brown - A two deer limit per membership (2 bucks, 2 does, or 1 each) can be harvested per year. Spouse/children harvests will count toward your membership limit. Once a member's 2 deer limit has been reached, there is no reason for that member to be on the Baker-Brown tract. There are plenty of excellent places to hunt so try something new! (No scouting or "looking" will be permitted after that limit is reached.)
- 2) Baker Brown has a maximum limit of 20 hunters allowed on the property at one time.
- 3) Baker Brown bucks harvested must have an over all width of 14" or as wide as the ears. The point rule still applies as well.
- 4) Baker Brown - No guests will be allowed to hunt the Baker Brown tract excluding spouses and children.
- 5) **Baker Brown - Any rule broken on Baker Brown will result in that member losing his/her right to hunt the Baker Brown tract the rest of the season.**
- 6) Banks – All personal stands must be removed from the property no later than April 15 (after season's end). Otherwise, the stands must remain on the property until the next season. No access to this property will be allowed from April 16 – October 1.
- 7) Sod Farm – Absolutely no fishing on the Sod Farm.
- 8) Children Only - Only Children 15 years old and under are allowed to harvest any deer from this property. This area has been set aside so that the next generation of Elm-Hat can learn and experience the thrills of being in the outdoors. A child age 13 - 15 will be allowed to sit on a stand alone IF he/she has give his/her hunters education verification to Elvis. (Same as all other properties). **NO CHILD WILL BE LEFT ON THIS PROPERTY ALONE.** Even if the child is on a stand legally, he/she **MUST** have a non-hunting adult member on the property.

ELM-HAT CONSERVATION CLUB
FEES FOR HUNTING THE 2008-2009 SEASON ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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| 1. Bow and Arrow, Crossbow, Muzzle Loader and Rifle seasons from October 15 th through January 31 st | \$1,250.00 |
| 2. Turkey season from March 15 th through April 30 th .
There will be no turkey hunting permits sold separately. Turkey hunting permits will be very limited, on a first come bases, and the fee is due on June 1 st . Fees cannot be paid after that date. | \$250.00 |

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Scheduled workdays for 2008-2009 season are as follows:

1. August 30th & 31st
2. September 6th & 7th
3. September 27th & 28th
4. October 4th & 5th

THIS PAGE IS TO BE RETURNED WITH YOUR DUES.

A \$50 late fee per month will be added to all dues after June 30th unless prior arrangements have been made with Elvis Manasco.

This membership handbook is the full, complete and final expression of the rules and regulations of Elm-Hat Conservation Club and all prior rules, either verbal or in writing are hereby either merged herein or superseded by this handbook. This handbook and the rules contained cannot be changed, modified, amended or terminated orally unless done so by Elvis Manasco.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of the Elm-Hat Conservation Club rules and regulations and agree to be bound by the terms and conditions set forth. I further agree to hold Elm-Hat and Elvis Manasco harmless for any and all claims, damages or causes of action of any kind and agree to reimburse Elm-Hat and Elvis Manasco for any damages caused by myself, my immediate family and/or my guest, including reasonable attorney fees and cost.

I understand that this completed and signed form must be returned with payment of my 2008-2009 dues.

Member's Name: _____

Spouse/Nearest Relative: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I am planning to join Elm-Hat Conservation Club for the activities checked below:

DEER

TURKEY