

**ELM-HAT CONSERVATION CLUB
RULES, PROVISIONS AND CONDITIONS
2010-2011 SEASON**

I. GENERAL CLUB RULES

- 1) All members and guests will read these rules, abide by them, and follow all Property specific rules and Alabama State Game Laws. Members have the total responsibility for the actions and behavior of their guests.
- 2) Un-sportsman like conduct or failure to exercise proper firearm safety will not be tolerated and will result in immediate removal from Elm-Hat with no refund.
- 3) All members must have their dues paid by June 30th. A late fee of \$50.00 per month will be applied after June 30th unless prior arrangements have been made with Elvis.
- 4) 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.
- 5) After October 1, there is no baiting allowed on club property.
- 6) All feeders must be removed by October 1. This includes all baits, minerals and salts that are not legal under Alabama Sate Law. All feeders must have a member's name on them (no exceptions).
- 7) No permanent stands are permitted. Only portable stands, made of metal or pressure treated wood, are permitted. All stands left on club property after May 1, 2011 will belong to the club and cannot be removed after that time, unless member joins the club the following season.
- 8) All stands must have an identification tag that can be obtained from Elvis. If a stand is found in the woods without a tag, it will be removed by Elvis. Members are allowed to have only three (3) stands on any one property at a time. One of these stands must be removed daily.
- 9) No possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs allowed on hunting property.
- 10) Firearms should be sighted in prior to the beginning of hunting season. Do not sight in firearms on club property.
- 11) There are 8 workdays scheduled prior to the season. Each member must work 2 days out of the 8 scheduled. Members will be fined \$100.00 per day for days not worked.
- 12) No duck hunting will be allowed.
- 13) Each member is responsible for the rules broken by his guest and it counts as a rule broken by the member.
- 14) All game limits that are listed in these rules are per member. Game killed by member, their guest, spouse and children count as game killed by member, are counted as part of the total game limits allowed to each member per property and per season.
- 15) No Littering – Any person (member/guest) proven guilty of littering on campgrounds or any hunting property will be fined \$100.00. A \$50.00 reward will be paid to any person seeing and reporting the offense. (After the offense has been proven as fact.)
- 16) If you have any questions concerning these rules, contact Elvis Manasco at 256-412-4590.

II. CAMPGROUND RULES

- 1) Each member is responsible for maintaining and keeping his/her camp area clean. This includes grounds maintenance and garbage disposal. (Grass typically needs cutting once per month.) Camp area may also be sprayed with RoundUp – it's your choice, just keep the camp area clean.
- 2) Members can use campground for their camper/motor home. There is 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 stored on the campground during off-season (May 1st thru October 1st). Total campground fee for a 12 month period will be \$250.00. Campground fees are due on or before October 1st.
- 3) The club is not responsible for any lost, damaged or stolen items on club property.

III. ATV/VEHICLE RULES

- 1) ATV, UTV and golf carts (also referred to as four wheelers) can only be driven on roads or trails designated as such on the property maps. If a trail is not indicated on the map, it is for foot traffic only.
- 2) ATV, UTV and golf carts can only be used in the woods (off road) to retrieve dead deer or hogs. If four wheeler or golf cart is used to retrieve deer, there must be a record of the deer kill at the club house the same day. No off-roading use of four wheeler or golf carts for scouting, stocking feeders, stand placement or any other purpose on any club property.
- 3) Golf carts (Electric Only)
 - a. Golf carts (electric) may be used on all roads and properties.
- 4) Trucks and trailers may be driven on two roads on Baker Brown:
 - a. Pin Board Parking Area
 - b. South road to parking area
- 5) Moss Pond Property
 - a. Trucks may be driven on (public) Moss Pond Road (Slosheye Rd.). Trucks may be parked at pin board area and may be parked along side of Moss Pond Road at any intersection of a side (off) road.
- 6) Federal.Carrol Property
 - a. Trucks and trailers must be parked at pin board area, four wheelers or golf carts are to be used on all other roads.

IV. SCOUTING AND MOVEMENT ON PROPERTY

- 1) No moving around on club property from daylight until 9:00 am and from 3:30 pm 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.
- 2) Beginning with the first day of bow season, scouting will only be allowed from roads shown on maps of the property. (In other words, you are not allowed to walk/ride through the woods off-roading.) There should be NO walk through scouting! We must consider those who may be/or plan to be hunting that area. Plan to do our 'detailed scouting' before bow season begins.
- 3) Because there are restrictions on scouting and movement on the property, placing and checking scout cameras is restricted. Scout/trail cameras can only be checked installed or retrieved if you are hunting that area during bow, muzzle loader and firearm season. Members must have their name on the scout cameras and there will be a limit of 2 cameras per property, per member.

V. MEMBER FAMILY AND GUEST RESTRICTIONS

- 1) Member's spouse and their children under 19 years of age hunt free and are considered as guests.
- 2) Member's children 19 years of age and over, that are full time college students, hunt free.
- 3) No child under the age of 13 may sit on any stand without a licensed hunter 21 years 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 years 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.
- 4) Members can bring their spouse and their children but are limited to one (1) (non-spouse or child) guest per hunt.
- 5) Members may carry a non-family member guest only two (2) days in total during the season.
- 6) Members cannot take guest turkey hunting (hunting or not hunting), except for spouse or their children.
- 7) A guest card must be filled out before hunting on club property. These cards will be located at all Sign-in boards. Every member receives one guest permit. While on Elm-Hat properties, your guest must have this Elm-Hat hunting permit in his/her possession, along with a valid Alabama hunting license.

- 8) No guest, except member spouse and their children, will be allowed to hunt or be on club property during the following times:
 - 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
- 9) Each member is responsible for the rules broken by his family members and guest and it counts as a rule broken by the member.

VI. DESIGNATING YOUR HUNTING AREA

- 1) All members and member guests must sign in with date and time, and indicate where they are hunting on the maps (referred to as pin out board) located on each property. This is done by drawing a circle about the size of a quarter, with an erasable magic marker, on the map with their initials in the circle. See turkey hunting rules for specifics of signing in during turkey season.
- 2) Members and guests cannot pin out before 4:00am for stands.
- 3) Members and guests must erase their circle/sign-in after each hunt. Members and guests must be present on the club property to have pin for stand on the board. Members and guests 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 you are and what you are doing.
- 4) Do not remove another person's pin out, unless specifically instructed to do so by them. If it is night and a member has not returned to the pin out board, it is suggested that you investigate where they are hunting to see if they are in need of assistance.
- 5) Certain roads on the properties run through food plots. Unless there is an emergency, if a member has already pinned one of these plots, select a route that goes around the pinned plot. If there is **NO** alternative route to the area you wish to hunt, the pinned plot may be crossed only before daylight or between 9:000 am and 3:30 pm. Please exercise caution.

VII. PROPERTY SPECIFIC PROCEDURES AND RULES

- 1) Members can kill a total of 3 bucks and 3 does (six [6] deer total all season) for the Baker Brown and Moss Pond Properties. A total of three (3) deer can be killed on each property. Members may kill 2 buck and 1 doe on one property or 1 buck and 2 does on the other property. Members may use their 3 doe tags any time during the season October 15th thru January 31st. All Members and guest must comply with Alabama Sate Law concerning total bucks taken per season.
- 2) All deer killed on Baker Brown and Moss Pond must be taken to the club house to be photographed, measured and weighed.
- 3) Members hunting Baker Brown and Moss Pond can kill one (1) buck with three (3) points on one side. The other two (2) Bucks must have 4 points on one side. All bucks killed must be at least 14" wide outside to outside width or as wide as outstretched ears tip to tip or at least 14" tall from hair on top of head to top of tallest point. Family and guests count as member quota and are subject to member's cumulative deer restrictions.
- 4) All Baker Brown and Moss Pond deer killed must be tagged with club tag furnished by Elvis. To tag a deer, cut hole in hock of back leg, lace tag through hole and stick together. These tags must be put on deer before they are moved from the place they are killed. Tags are to be deposited into lock box at clubhouse after deer are photographed, measured and weighed.
- 5) Baker Brown – No guest will be allowed to hunt the Baker Brown tract except spouse and their children.
- 6) A member's spouse or child, that has never killed a buck deer, can kill one Alabama legal buck; limit one per member per season, any plot or property. After an individual has taken a buck, they are required

to comply with the property specific requirements as to buck size. Additionally, plots #18 on Baker Brown and # 2 on Moss Pond are designated “Never Ever” plots. These plots are reserved for spouse or child of the member who has never taken a deer. Those qualifying to sit these plots may take any Alabama legal deer.

- 7) All game limits that are listed in these rules are per member, and are counted as part of the total game limits allowed to each member per season.
- 8) Federal/Carrol property game rules are the same as Alabama State Hunting Laws. Members must follow all Alabama Sate rules and regulations on sizes and quantities of game killed. Game killed on Federal/Carrol property does not have to be brought to the club house to be photographed and no game killed on Federal/Carrol property count against six (6) deer total and three (3) turkey total allowed on Baker Brown and Moss Pond properties.

VIII. HOG HUNTING RULES

- 1) Hunters are encouraged to harvest feral wild hogs that are on club property.
- 2) If you wish to hunt hogs during the “off season,” it is necessary to contact Elvis Manasco and receive permission. There may be other activities on the property that would prevent that would prevent hunting.
- 3) Hog hunting is not allowed October 1 through the beginning of bow season and end of February through end of turkey season.
- 4) No hog hunting with firearms during bow season.
- 5) You are required to sign-in and designate the area you are hunting. See sections III and VI and obey all rules covering vehicle access and movement.

IX. TURKEY SEASON RULES

- 1) Members cannot take guests turkey hunting (hunting or not hunting), except for spouse or children.
- 2) Members are required to sign in and designate the area they will be hunting on the pin out board. This is done by either circling a road, or designating an area on the map, about the size of a dollar bill folded in half. No sign in prior to 4:00 am. See other rules that apply section VI.
- 3) There will be a three (3) turkey limit on Baker Brown and Moss Pond tracts (combined total) all season. There will be a two (2) turkey limit on Federal/Carrol tract per season. No turkey hunting on the south side of Moss Pond road (Slosheye Rd) Cedar Hills property. No turkey hunting on the Gilstrap Property. Turkey hunting will be allowed on the north side of Moss Pond road (Slosheye rd) Moss Pond area and the 640 acre Carrol clear cut.
- 4) Any turkey taken on Baker Brown and Moss Pond, are to be photographed and weighed at the club house.

X. FINES AND PENALTIES

- 1) Fines for breaking the Elm-Hat Club rules are as follows:
 - 1st Offence - \$250.00
 - 2nd 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.
- 2) No littering – Any person (member/guest) proven guilty of littering on campgrounds or any hunting property will be fined \$100.00. a \$50.00 reward will be paid to any person seeing and reporting the offense. (After the offense has been proven as fact.)
- 3) Unless other arrangements are made with Elvis Manasco, member dues must be paid by June 30th. A late fee of \$50.00 per month will be applied to dues paid after June 30th.
- 4) Each member must work 2 days out of the 8 scheduled work days. Members will be fined \$100.00 per day for days not worked.