



## THE BUCKSNAG HUNTING CLUB HOUSE RULES AND REGULATIONS

**A member must be present any time the membership is used.** Unless otherwise notified by the Club's Board, the following apply:

1. The Club will be open each day of Teal and regular Waterfowl season. The exceptions to this schedule are:
  - The Club will be closed for hunting on Thanksgiving Day
  - The Club will be open for hunting on the day following Thanksgiving, but no dinner will be served on Thanksgiving night, unless by special arrangement
  - The Club will be closed for hunting on Christmas Day
  - The Club will be open for hunting on December 26, but no dinner will be served on December 25, unless by special arrangement
  - The Club will be closed for hunting on January 1 for New Year's Day and likewise closed for New Year's Eve
  - If a member(s) wants to book a hunt when the club is scheduled to be closed, it will be determined by the Club Manager provided there are sufficient hunters or other considerations to cost justify the occasion.

Please note that the Club Rules for both House use & Hunting are for the **safety & enjoyment** of all of our members and their guests. Violations of these rules will be initially managed by the Club Manager with assistance from the guides and house staff. Members are responsible for their guests. The Board will not hesitate to enforce consistent bad behavior of members or guests, if need.

### 2. Reservations (subject to change):

- a. Reservations should be made via the Club's online reservation system. If issues occur or changes need to be made, contact the Club Manager at the BucksNag office at (979) 758-3019 or preferably via email at [bucksnag@gmail.com](mailto:bucksnag@gmail.com). All room reservations presume 2 occupants per room unless pre-arranged with the Club Manager.

b. Reservations may be made when the Res. System opens in Aug. and/or Oct.

We ask that you please exercise judgment and think of the other members needs when making reservations. Also note the cancellation requirements.

c. Room assignments are on a first-come, first-served basis. Adjustments will be managed by the Club Manager.

d. **Room reservations are restricted to one room reservation per named member for the Friday evenings of opening Teal and Duck season. This also applies to the Friday evening of the closing weekend of Duck season, unless space permits nearer the desired dates. Check with the Club Manager for exceptions.**

e. **Since many members historically want to book hunts on opening & closing weekends (teal, duck, goose & Sandhill Crane) and the change of combined seasons (duck season split), reservations for those other weekend dates are limited to 2 (two) room reservations per named member, unless space is available near the targeted date. If the club is not fully reserved at two weeks prior to these days, the room restriction may be lifted at the discretion of the Club Manager.**

f. Groups with special needs should so advise the Club Manager at the time of booking or sufficiently early enough to accommodate.

g. **Any reservations of 4 (four) or more rooms require a 2 (two) week advance cancellation period.**

h. **The Club allows for whole club reservations as follows (Named Club Members must host hunts and be present for the evenings & hunts):**

- 1) The Club offers whole club capacity booking for all 34 hunters reserved in advance or as approved by the Club Manager.
- 2) When the club is fully booked, the member will be responsible and billed for 34 people or as agreed upon with the club manager. **A 2 (two) week advance cancellation period will apply as noted above, if 4 or more rooms are booked. This also applies to reservations of less than whole club capacity.**
- 3) The whole Club can be booked on any **Sunday, Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday nights** (i.e.; early weekday nights)
- 4) **The whole Club, combined, can't be booked for more than 2 days in any one week.**
- 5) The Club cannot be booked with the purpose of making a profit on the hunts by charging more than the Bucksnap charges unless it is a non-profit fundraiser, hosted by a named member and is approved in advance by the Bucksnap Board.
- 6) The Club offers whole club booking outside of hunting season if 15 or more reservations are paid.

i. **Cancellations** should be made ASAP to allow other members access to the rooms. To avoid being billed for the room & board and guide fee reservations, or a special meals cost fee, cancellations must be made at least 7 days before the scheduled arrival for reservations on any date. **Room reservations of 4 rooms or more are subject to a 2(two) week advance cancellation period.** If a late cancellation can be filled by the waiting list, no charge will be incurred by the cancelling member. Otherwise, the member will be billed for the number of persons for which reservations were originally made per room plus appropriate guide fee(s). This is a membership courtesy rule. Automatic Club reservation system email reminders 8 days in advance are

in place. No 2-week reminders will be sent by the Club.

- j. **Members are responsible** for both their and their guests' dogs' behavior while at the Club including addressing excessive or late-night barking. It is always best to check with the Club Manager before bringing a dog. **Further, dogs are not allowed in any rooms at any time and for any reason. No exceptions.**

3. **Meal Service** will be provided as follows:

- a. The Club provides bottled water, soft drinks, beer and setups. **Members should bring their own liquor or wine.** It is not provided by the club. Locker space is provided inside the Club's bar area for members' storing of these personal items.
- b. **Dinner** is served at 7:00 p.m. With light hors d'oeuvres beginning approximately 6:00 p.m. If at all possible, the Club Manager or staff should be notified by 10:00 am the day of your scheduled arrival of any changes to the number of guests attending for dinner. This simply saves food waste. The kitchen staff will also save dinner servings for late arrivals, if notified by phone.
- c. A **light breakfast** is provided prior to the morning hunt.
- d. Fresh hot **brunch** will be served following the morning hunt. Guides will communicate expected hunt completion timing with the kitchen staff and update by phone from the field if there are expected delays. Our intent is good hunting followed by good food service.
- e. Room, meals, snacks, soft drinks, beer, bottled water and set-up charges are included in the **daily room & board** fee. (If a member brings children generally under the age of 14, they will be charged a **child's fee** for each.)

4. **Use of the House** - The House and all sleeping rooms are intended for the clean comfort and safety of our members and their guests. For safety & insurance purposes, **no guns or dogs are to be taken into the house or rooms at any time**, including overnight. Also, please report any maintenance or repairs that may be needed.

5. Each member and guest must be aware of and comply with the **Bucksnag Club Hunting Rules** and State, Federal and other applicable rules and regulations in effect at the time of the hunt. In addition, each hunter must observe the following field rules. Acceptance of membership constitutes your agreement to comply with the Rules and Regulations of the Club as well as the behavior of guests:

- a. Sign the club-provided game tag each day to record names, addresses, and hunting license numbers as required by the Federal and Texas Parks & Wildlife Department.
- b. Carry in the field: a current hunting license, appropriate waterfowl stamps, and personal identification. This is a member and hunter responsibility.
- c. Abide by regulations in effect for steel shot zones.
- d. Load guns in the field only and after all hunters are sitting in place.
- e. Unload guns before leaving the field.
- f. Pick up all expended shells before leaving the field.
- g. Please don't tour the prairie without a guide. This is part of our hunting land lease agreements.

6. Individuals that do not stay at the Club the night before the Hunt (**the Club is not a day hunting club**) must confirm in advance with Club Manager their arrangements for an early morning arrival. At the board's discretion, driving into the Club in the morning to hunt will be permitted but is generally discouraged. **Such "drive in" hunts are subject to the scheduled fees, as posted, which includes a full meal following the hunt.** If such hunters are not checked in with the Guides by 5:00 a.m. the guide is paid and released and the member is charged all applicable fees. Appropriate communication with Club Manager &/or guides is important for this to be managed properly, please.
7. **Each Member is responsible for their guest(s), including their civil behavior, and should ensure each guest is aware of and abides by the rules both at the Club and in the Field.**
8. Other services will be provided at the Bucksrag as follows:
  - a. Limited locker space in the locker, gun cleaning & boot storage facilities for shell and hunting equipment will be assigned by Club Manager. **(No guns or shells are allowed in the house or lodge)**. Dog kennels are outside the House as well as in the locker room & boot facilities. **Dogs are not allowed in the house or sleeping rooms.**
  - b. Bird cleaning (breasting) service is available and, if used, fees are included on each billing statement. Note that this service is optional to the member however, we encourage an ethic of cleaning of all harvested birds. The Club can cook or donate all harvest not retained by a member or his/her guests.
9. **Guide Services** will be provided as follows:
  - a. Experienced guides will be sent with each party and they will have a dog as well as field transportation.
  - b. Unless agreed by Club Manager, groups of over 6 hunters may either be split into parties of 6 or take additional guides. If you want to hunt in a party with only your group, please request at time of reservation.
  - c. Duck Hunts will generally be limited to 4 hunters if in a blind.
  - d. Guides are in charge during the hunt and will escort hunters to the field, set up the spread or decoys with the hunters' help, call birds, and assist in any way possible to provide a safe and enjoyable hunt.
  - e. **Guide fees** are posted on the schedule of fees (as established by the Board).
10. **Invoicing & Payments** - After each scheduled hunt, itemized invoices will be provided or emailed to the host member:
  - a. Invoices are due and payable upon receipt. The Club does not invest in anyone to collect member receivables. A late charge may apply to bills not paid within 30 days. Payments by credit card are subject to a convenience fee of 3%.
  - b. All payments should preferably be paid by credit card or checks following the hunt or upon receipt of the invoice. Cash payments to the Club are discouraged due to security and transportation issues to our bank.
  - c. Questions about invoices should be directed to the Club Manager at 979-758-3019 or by email.
11. Rules are subject to change by the Board of Directors as conditions warrant.