

Grassy Island Hunt Club
General Rules and Regulations

1. Firearms safety rules are in effect at all times
2. Always position your stand, blind, or shot path away from location of other hunters
3. Proper field etiquette must be adhered to at all times
4. All North Carolina and Federal hunting regulations must be followed at all times
5. Members and Guests must have in their possession a valid NC hunting license and valid Grassy Island Hunt Club identification.
6. NO alcoholic beverages or performance inhibiting prescription drugs will be ingested within 8 hours of a hunt. (There will be no illegal substances on Grassy Island properties at any time).
7. All hunters must sign in and out prior to and after each time they are on club property. There will be no exceptions.
8. All members must respect the property of Grassy Island Hunt Club. Damage to trees, roads, buildings, etc; WILL NOT BE TOLERATED Please remember "pack it in ... pack it out"
9. NEVER contact landowners for any information pertaining to Grassy Island Hunt Club. We wish to avoid bothering anyone outside the Club with matters pertaining to club activities, land boundaries, etc.

Fines for violation of any of the rules above are as follows:

- a) First Offense: Verbal Warning
 - b) Second Offense: \$50.00
 - c) Third Offense: Suspension of Hunting Privileges
10. Scouting must be done prior to the second Sunday in July. Entry onto the property is broken into two categories:

A: SCOUTING-Scouting is the act of assessing where you will place your stands, travel patterns of the deer and overall desirability of a particular area to you the hunter. This is the most impacting to the deer and is definitely the type of land access and behavior that makes the whitetails change their patterns and become a nocturnal creature. It is imperative that we limit all heavy scouting and foot traffic in order for us to not alert the deer to our presence.

B: CORN PLACEMENT/CLIMBER RELOCATION-This may be done only on Saturdays and Sundays between the second Sunday in July and the last day of rifle season. All corn placement/climber relocation regardless of date will be done with the following conditions:

- No more than two people at one location at one time (club work days are an exception)
- No off trail venturing or scouting of any kind shall be performed
- Be as quiet, odor free and quick as possible.

Studies on collared deer have shown that almost every time a hunter penetrated an area the mature deer in that core area are aware of your visit. Once is fine, twice is questionable but three times and the deer will relocate at a long distance away. We will not tolerate the unnecessary impact of the casual hunter who claims they did not have time to scout and learn the land prior to July 1st. Our goal is to have the serious deer hunter who makes it their mission to commit to excellence in hunting and scouting throughout the entire year.

11. NO guests permitted to hunt on opening or closing days with the exception of dove and upland game.

12. All children that are "non-paying" members must hunt the same tract of land as their guardian/member at all times.
13. You may sign in at 8:00 pm prior to the next day's hunt.
14. Guest fees are \$50.00 per day. Each member will be allowed to host guests on 3 days per year. A guest will be entitled to harvest does only for the guest fees, any bucks taken will be \$500.00 in addition to the daily guest fee.
15. Anyone – ANYONE – hunting property leased by the club must sign a waiver and hold harmless agreement prior to going out onto club grounds. If a waiver/hold harmless agreement is found not to be signed, the member will be fined \$50.00, and will lose the right to bring any guests for the remainder of the season.
16. All members and guests are responsible for being familiar with and abiding by house rules.
17. Members should report any problems with club equipment, stands, and blinds, feeders to owners. If any stand is deemed un-huntable, please contact club management immediately.
18. Each paying member is allowed the use of one portable stand, which can be any of the following:
 - a) Ground Blind
 - b) Lock on Stand
 - c) Climber
 - d) Portable Tripod

Each member can use their stand in their designated location from opening day of archery through the end of rifle season. This does not give the member an exclusive right to hunt that area. No individual is allowed to hunt another member's personal stand without express permission of the stand's owner.

19. Trophy Tracts

a) The following properties are deemed to be Trophy Tracts:

- Bruton River
- Smith Ferry
- Stanback
- Big Pee Dee

Little Pee Dee

- Rankin

Thompson

b) All bucks must be 8 point or better.

c) All bucks must be minimum 16" outside antler measurement, unless 10-point or better, in which case the width measurement is waived.

d) Any non legal bucks harvested by a member on these tracts will be fined \$500. At the member's discretion, he/she may choose to have a non-legal buck mounted in a shoulder mount or better.

Upon presentation of the receipt for the mount, \$250 of the \$500 fine will be refunded.

e) Any non legal bucks or button bucks harvested by guest will be fined \$500.00 in addition to the \$500.00 buck fee charged to guests.

- f) The penalty for shooting a button buck (horns not protruding through the skin) is \$250.00, and loss of hunting privileges on that trophy tract. 2nd infraction for shooting a button buck will be \$250.00 and loss of hunting privileges on all trophy tracts for the balance of the season. This applies only to button bucks whose antlers have not broken the skin. All bucks with antler through the skin, see items a-e.
- g) If a member harvests any buck on any trophy tract, the member will not be allowed to harvest another buck from that tract for the remainder of the season. The fine for harvesting two bucks from the same tract in one year will be \$500.00.

20. Any deer harvested on Grassy Island Hunt Club property will be recorded and tagged in accordance with the NC Carolina Wildlife and Grassy Island Hunt Club regulations.

21. If any member or guest violates any of the rules, the following actions will be taken. Fines as posted, where applicable. Suspensions will be levied. Members will be responsible for their guest fees and fines.

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22. All deer harvested are to be called into NC Wildlife, properly tagged and recorded. Any game placed in walk-in cooler must be properly tagged with hunters name and NC Wildlife number.

23. Parking Requirements:

Check the sign in board for designated parking areas

ATVs ONLY will be allowed beyond designated parking areas in some cases

Field etiquette must be adhered to at all times

24. Hunters are personally responsible to abide by all applicable North Carolina and Federal

Hunting Regulations

25. Membership

- a) New members must attain their eighteenth birthday by the beginning of the upcoming hunting season. New membership openings will go first to the immediate family of existing members. If an immediate family member joins the club under this provision and subsequently drops out, then wants to rejoin the club, that person's name will go to the bottom of the regular waiting list. Immediate family shall be defined as father, mother, son, daughter, grandson, and granddaughter. Consideration for membership will be given in the order in which the prospect's name is put on the waiting list. An individual may be placed on the waiting list only by submitting a written request to the club.
- b) Junior memberships will be available to full-time students of members between the ages of 18 and 23. A student is a full-time student if the student is enrolled in a school for 12 credit hours for at least 2 semesters in a school year. Price of a junior membership will be \$850, and qualified junior members will have the same rights as full-time members. Any person above the age of 18 who is not a full-time student is considered a guest.
- c) Members are allowed guests for three full days per year. Fees and fines incurred by guests are the responsibility of the sponsoring member.
- d) Annual membership dues are \$1700.00 with our year running from May 15 to the following May 14

- e) Anyone owing the club money from fines or late dues will have their membership suspended, not be considered for membership or be allowed to hunt as a guest until the outstanding balance is paid.

House Rules

- a. Muddy boots are not allowed in the lodge.
- b. No smoking in the lodge,
- c. Please help keep the lodge neat.
- d. No dogs are allowed in the lodge
- e. If you cook with it, then you clean it and put it back.
- f. Members are responsible for bringing their own towels and bedding; any items left behind will be disposed of.
- g. Please take your trash with you when you leave.
- h. Make sure lights and AC/Heat are off when you leave.
- i. If you are last to leave, make sure the door and gate is locked
- j. Absolutely no loaded guns in the lodge. NO EXCEPTIONS