

## WILDERNESS RANCH - GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

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### GENERAL

- 1.) ARRIVAL TO WILDERNESS RANCH IS AFTER 6 PM AND DEPARTURE IS 10 AM LOCAL TIME. No exceptions are permitted due to our need to effect cleaning and repairs between guests' visits. Violations will cause the renter to be charged an extra day's rental.
- 2.) When arriving, the guest who signed the Rental Agreement must immediately check in with the Ranch Manager, and inform him of the names of all guests in the party, as well as descriptions and license plate numbers of all vehicles which will be on the Wilderness Ranch during the stay.
- 3.) Any guest that does not yet have on file with the office a signed copy of the current "Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumptions of Risk and Indemnity Agreement" must complete this at time of arrival.
- 4.) Upon your arrival at the Wilderness Ranch, you will immediately notice its cleanliness and lack of refuse along its 65 miles of roads. To help keep it this way, your stopping to pick up any garbage you may find would be appreciated. Littering will not be tolerated, and may be grounds for removal from the property.
- 5.) For your convenience, basic cooking staples, such as salt, pepper, sugar, etc., are provided in each kitchen. Please replace any quantities used during your stay. Please remove all perishable items from the refrigerator upon your departure. Please wash all provided dishes & cookware before you leave.
- 6.) Please contact the Ranch Manager for any repairs or assistance with the lodging facilities. Please do not attempt to make repairs on your own.
- 7.) To lessen the chance of attracting unwanted attention from wildlife, please tightly bag garbage and place it in the provided containers outside each lodge/cabin. Staff will pick up the garbage regularly.
- 8.) Firewood and kindling are supplied. Do not transport firewood to or from the Wilderness Ranch. No ground fires are allowed unless authorized by the Ranch Manager.
- 9.) The number of overnight guests shall not exceed the maximum occupancy for the lodge/cabin. You may not use campers or tents to house additional guests.
- 10.) Please refrain from any loud, noisy activities after 10 pm.
- 11.) Please do not move any furniture.
- 12.) Prior to your departure, please check to see that you have removed all of your items. While we will hold items we find for you for 30 days, we cannot be responsible for any items you've left behind.
- 13.) No smoking is permitted within the lodging facilities. Wilderness Ranch reserves the right to charge an additional \$500 cleaning fee to any guests who violate this rule.

### OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

- 14.) Guests may use the sandy beach on Lake Shamrock, across from the Ball Field / Archery Range.
- 15.) The Main Lodge, Liberty Hall and the beach area north of the Boat House/Launch ramp are off limits. These are private buildings and area. Other than the Ranch Manager's house and the Workshop, all other buildings in that area are off-limits to guests.
- 16.) Boats with outboard motors may be used to assist in providing transportation while on the lakes. Activities such as water-skiing, jet-skis, wave-runners, speeding, and general horseplay in boats of any size are strictly forbidden.
- 17.) All boats, motors, trailers and related equipment brought by guests must be thoroughly washed and then allowed to dry for at least 5 days (two weeks is best). Wilderness Ranch staff will inspect all boats. Poorly cleaned boats will not be allowed in the lakes. This is to help prevent the invasion of harmful species of aquatic plants & animals into our lakes that will eventually hinder your enjoyment. Please visit <https://www.wilderness.com> for more information on how to properly clean your boats.
- 18.) **All sportsmen must be licensed in accordance with the regulations and laws of the State of Michigan.** All fishing and game laws must be strictly adhered to.

- 19.) **Wilderness Ranch Fishing Policy:** The Largemouth & Smallmouth Bass minimum size limit is 18". Northern Pike may only be taken if 34" or greater. Michigan State Law Possession Limits: Panfish = 25; Bass/Pike = 5 combined, 2 pike maximum. Please don't keep more fish than you can eat in one day.
- 20.) DO NOT use wild caught live minnows or other live aquatic species brought from outside Wilderness Ranch as bait. Live bait purchased from a bait shop is allowed. Other wild collected live bait such as insects, worms, etc., is acceptable.
- 21.) Do NOT clean fish inside the buildings. Fish cleaning stations are furnished for your use outside.
- 22.) Guests bringing weapons onto Wilderness Ranch property must comply with the "Wilderness Ranch Weapons and Hunting Rules and Regulations".
- 23.) All shooting of weapons (including BB guns) shall be conducted at the appropriate ranges, which are available to all guests. The Rifle/Pistol and Trap Ranges are located east of Lake David, and the Archery Range is located at the Ball Field just north of the Katy Lee on King's Highway.
- 24.) Touring the property for sightseeing during hunting seasons is not allowed, due to the potential of disrupting the hunters' activities.
- 25.) Snowmobiles and four-wheeled ATV's are allowed if used with consideration to other guests, wildlife and the property. A safety flag at least 4-foot tall is mandatory, and speeding or daredevil driving is prohibited. Two or three-wheeled motorized vehicles such as dirt bikes, mini-bikes, etc., are forbidden. Motorcycles used as a primary conveyance to the Ranch may be driven on King's Highway. Any excessively noisy vehicles are not welcome.

## **PETS**

- 26.) Two dogs are permitted in the lodge/cabin. A fee of \$100 will be assessed for every additional dog beyond the two allowed.
- 27.) All pets must be up to date on all pertinent vaccinations, including rabies. All pets are to be under current preventative treatment for fleas and ticks prior to arrival.
- 28.) Fully house-trained pets may be kept in the lodges/cabins. Please keep dogs off all furniture and beds. Pets often become panicked and claw or chew when left alone in unfamiliar surroundings, therefore unattended dogs must be kept in either your travel kennel, or the kennels provided at the Ranch. If your pet has an accident, it must be kenneled or be otherwise provided for outside the lodge. Pet owners are responsible for cleaning up of any pet refuse in and around the lodges/cabins.
- 29.) Pets must be "under control" at all times and must be on a leash when in the vicinity of the Ranch Manager's house, barn, and workshop.