

# Hunting Rules for Ponderosa for 2025.

## Stand Rules

1. A stand is either permanent wooden in a tree, portable in a tree or a free-standing unit.
2. Areas for stands are free to be claimed by an owner with the hunting committee approval.
  - a. All **new** deer stand locations on the Ponderosa should be distanced at least 300 yards apart from other stands.
    - i. New stands are defined as those stands not documented on the map from 2016 or discovered in trees since then.
  - b. The Hunting Committee will consider exceptions to the 300-yard distance as they arise and may allow these exceptions based on discussion and a vote.
3. Stands must be on Google Earth map distributed via email by the hunting committee before use.
4. Each Lot is allowed **two** stands and stand areas.
5. Bow Hunters may move stands around the Ponderosa with hunting committee approval until October 1 and then again after rifle season.
  - a. Bow Hunters must respect others areas. Stay out of others hunters areas while looking.
6. Stands without ownership can be hunted from on a first come first serve basis by an owner with approval from the hunting committee in writing. (via text preferably)
7. Each stand is required to be physically marked with the Lot number it is owned by and a contact Phone number.
8. Stands may be shared with other lot owners without restriction. All other rules apply regarding allotments.
9. Work on stands should be completed before October 1<sup>st</sup>.

### 10. 2025 DRAFT of NEW RULE: Additional stands inside an existing owners stand area.

- a. Additional stands (Satellite Stands) are permitted with Hunting Committee and neighboring hunting area owner approval.
11. Tree Stand Policy at change of Lot ownership if more than one person is interested in a stand coming available.  
Selection Process
  1. At least a Two-Week Notice is given via email to the association members that Stands are coming available.
  2. Lot owners interested give written notice of the stand they wish to get and the stand they will give up.
  3. All interested Lot Owners names are put in a hat and the winner of the stand in question is drawn.
  4. Whoever wins a stand must give up a stand immediately. This stand would then enter the process described in 1 and 2 above.
    - a. If no person requests the stand during the 2-week period, then it becomes available on a first come first served basis in writing. Via text or email.
    - b. If only one person requests the stand during the 2-week period, then they are granted the stand at the end of the 2-week period.
    - c. Any new owners can be included in the lottery but only after closing on their new lot.
    - d. The maximum entries of a lot owner into the lottery is equal to the lots they own. Owners can enter one (1) time per lot owned.

A drawing may be avoided if all parties, under the supervision of the Hunting Committee, decide to negotiate.

NOTE: Inherited lot transfer is exempt from this process.

## Small Game - Upland Birds, Rabbits, and Squirrels

1. Ponderosa Bag Limit –
  - a. Rabbits and Squirrels – Nebraska regulations apply.
  - b. Pheasants and Quail – Nebraska regulations apply.

## Migratory Birds – Waterfowl and Doves

1. Ponderosa Bag Limit –
  - a. State Federal Rules apply to all.

## Turkey

1. Each lot is allowed **two** turkeys.

## Bow, Rifle and Muzzle Loader Deer Hunting

1. All deer must be shot from elevated stands.
2. Timing to be in Stands.
  - a. Morning Deer hunters should be in stands 30 minutes before sunrise and stay in the stand until at least 9AM.
  - b. Evening Deer hunters should be in stands at least two hours before sunset and stay in the stand until ½ hour after sunset.
3. Lot owners may assign allotments of deer and turkey tags to the following.
  - a. Immediate family.
    - i. Parent, Spouse, significant other, children, stepchildren, son/daughter in law, and grandchildren.
  - b. Other lot owners.
    - i. Doe only. No male deer may be taken from a borrowed allotment.
    - ii. Limited to sharing one Doe tag per other lot.
    - iii. Lot owners are limited to two allotments of deer tags per lot and one additional borrowed doe tag from another lot.

All hunters must know all hunting and association rules before hunting.

4. Lost deer must be reported to the hunting committee immediately.
  - a. Permission must be received from other stand owners before searching other areas.
5. Each allotment of deer and turkey can only be hunted with one hunter at a time.
6. All vehicles on the Ponderosa must be visibly marked with the Lot number they belong to.
7. Bowhunters - Hunter Orange must be worn during the River Antlerless season.
8. Infractions will be brought forward to the committee for review and corrective action.
  - a. Infractions may result in penalties decided by the committee.
9. Limit Travel all around Ponderosa to main roads and hunting related needs only.
  - a. All non-hunting related foot and vehicle traffic is limited to the main roads after **October 1<sup>st</sup>**.
10. Specific coyote hunting is prohibited during deer season. Killing coyotes while deer hunting is not.
11. Food Plots must have LLC permission before being planted.
12. Be Safe, Have Fun and Do Unto Others As You Would Have Them Do Unto You.