



2025

Edmond Sportsmen's Club Membership Lease Manual

Rules Section

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ASSOCIATE & DAY GUEST PASS REGULATION

1. Associate and day guest pass memberships are offered in three categories, 1) Deer Associate, Deer day guest pass, 2) Quail Associate, Quail day guest pass, and 3) Turkey day guest pass. These are separate classes of membership and cannot be used for crossing species of hunting other than Turkey. An example is a member with Quail Associate or Quail day guest pass could not hunt deer; he would have to have a Deer Associate or Deer day guest pass also. Both Quail and Deer Associate memberships may hunt Turkey and Fishing
2. Quail Associate or Quail day guest pass memberships permit a club member to take one guest daily for the purpose of upland bird hunting, including quail, pheasant, dove, and turkey. Deer Associate or Deer day guest pass memberships permit a club member to take one guest daily for the purpose of hunting deer and turkey.
3. Associate memberships and day guest passes are not valid on the opening two days of the season, i.e., Oklahoma-Kansas-Texas quail, spring turkey, fall turkey, dove, deer-gun, deer muzzle loading or deer-bow season Club members may not apply for opening season drawing using the associate membership or day guest pass.
4. Bookings for associate guests or guest pass guests are treated in the same manner as a regular membership. The club member must book using member name for the guest and sign out for that guest. The guest's name must be provided on the Hunt Report. All game harvested by the guest shall be reported on the website where the booking was made. A guest booked on a lease occupies one slot available for hunters on that lease. Cancellation of prior bookings shall be required in the same manner as club member.
5. The club member shall be responsible for the guest and the behavior of that guest at all times they are on the lease. The club member shall accompany the guest at all times the guest is on the lease. Club rules apply to all guests.
6. Quail/Deer Associate memberships shall not be used by the **same guest** more than 4 hunting days. The intention of the Associate membership was not to replace a full hunting club membership with an Associate membership. The use by the same guest more than 4 hunting days shall be determined to be an abuse of the purpose of the Associate membership. If it is determined that abuses of this purpose occur, a renewal of such privileges will not be extended.
7. Each year, prior to making available the sale of Associate/Day Guest Pass memberships, the ESC board of directors shall determine the cost and quantity of the memberships. The ESC board of directors shall approve the applicants for the membership.

Associate Membership/Guest Pass Purpose Statement

The ESC established the Associate Membership, Deer Associate Membership, and Guest Passes to allow a limited number of Club members to take a guest for the purpose of upland bird hunting, turkey and deer hunting. Club members should understand that the hunting needs of the full club are primary to the extent that rules violations or abuses of Associate/Guest pass privileges will not be tolerated and that renewal of such privileges are not automatic or guaranteed. **Associate Memberships and Guest Passes cannot be used to take an existing hunting club member as your guest and doing so will result in revocation of hunting club privileges for the remaining portion of the hunting season.**

STANDARD LEASE RULES

- 1. There will be no shooting within 150 yards of any occupied house on or near the Premises.**
- 2. Lessee will remove all trash and litter which Lessee brings on the Premises, including spent shotgun hulls. The cleaning of birds on the lease is prohibited unless the feathers and entrails are bagged and removed from the lease.**
- 3. All gates will be left in the position in which the Lessee finds them unless the Lessors indicate otherwise. Lessee will not affix locks to gates without the prior consent of Lessors.**
- 4. Lessee will endeavor to be aware of the location of livestock on the Premises and not engage in any activity likely to harm such livestock.**
- 5. Lessee will respect all property of the Lessors and will not use any buildings, motor vehicles or other equipment on the Premises without the prior consent of the Lessors and the Lease Committee.**
- 6. Lessee will be conscious of the danger of fire on the Premises and observe all reasonable safety precautions to protect against such danger. Lessee will not camp overnight on the Premises. Lessee will not employ fires for cooking, camping or other purposes while on the Premises. Lessee will be conscious of the fire hazards posed by motor vehicles being driven over dry brush and will exercise reasonable precautions in regard to same.**
- 7. Lessee will not drink beer, intoxicating beverages or use illegal drugs while on the Premises, nor will Lessee use the Premises while in an intoxicated state.**
- 8. In order to assist Lessors in the prudent management and protection of Lessors' property located on the Premises, Lessee will endeavor to promptly notify Lessors of problems, damage or other unusual matters which Lessee may discover while on the Premises, such as trespassers, vandalism and injured or loose livestock.**
- 9. The use of the Premises by Lessee is limited to the members of Lessee's Hunting Club and no member of the club will bring guests to hunt on the Premises, unless that member is in possession of membership permitting a guest. Lessee's members will conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike manner while on the Premises.**
- 10. Lessee will schedule use of the Premises by its members in such a manner to avoid (a) a dangerous concentration of hunters presents on the Premises at any one time and (b) the over-hunting of any species of wild game. Such scheduling will permit approximately four (4) hunters per one thousand (1,000) acres.**
- 11. Lessors shall be free from all liabilities and claims for damages for or by any reason of any injury to Lessee or Lessee's members or the property of Lessee or Lessee's members, from any cause or causes whatsoever while on the Premises during the term of this lease or occasioned by any use of the Premises or any activity carried on by Lessee or Lessee's members in connection with the use of the Premises, and Lessee agrees to indemnify and save harmless Lessors from all liabilities on account of or by reason of any such injuries or claims however occurring.**

12. Lessors and Lessee recognize that all matters of importance to either or both cannot be anticipated and provided for in this Lease and that, to ensure the good relations among themselves and the proper use of the Premises, they will cooperate with one another in all reasonable ways.

NOTICE: A COPY OF THIS PAGE IS INCLUDED WITH EACH LEASE WE SIGN. OUR LANDOWNERS HAVE THIS INFORMATION AS PART OF THE LEASE. PLEASE ABIDE BY ALL OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED ABOVE.

EDMOND SPORTSMEN'S CLUB GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

- 1. All members shall have in their possession the current Edmond Sportsmen's Club (ESC) membership card while on Club property. All members shall display the membership card and driver's license to any other member, lessor, State Game Ranger, or Federal Wildlife Officer upon demand. All autos shall display a valid parking permit while on ESC leases.**
- 2. Except for Associate Members, or members holding Day Guest Passes, guests are not allowed to hunt/fish on any ESC lease. However, ESC members may host a nonmember guest under the age of 16 during the annual Oklahoma Youth Hunt for quail, turkey and deer, and non-hunting guest under 16 years or over 65 years of age on leases except during primitive arms and rifle deer seasons. Only one youth guest hunter per adult member is allowed and must be under the direct control of the adult member. Guest of members for fishing purposes are limited to direct family members, i.e.: grandchildren, children, and children's spouses. No other guests shall be allowed to be on lease property even for non-hunting purposes without the purchase of guest privileges via day pass or Associate.**
- 3. Members are permitted to take a non-member youth under the age of 18 for the purpose of hunting deer, turkey, quail and dove. Guests are not permitted on opening 2 days of the season, except for dove season. Non-member youth guests must be under the direct control of the adult ESC member. Non-member youth guests must be booked prior to hunting. Only one non-member youth guest per adult member allowed on lease at the same time.**
- 4. All members shall have in their possession all necessary State, Federal or other permits, tags, or licenses for the hunting or fishing they are participating in and shall comply with all laws and regulations governing same.**
- 5. All members shall comply with any special rules imposed by Lessor as outlined in the lease agreements entered into by the said owner and ESC. (See lease cover sheet for proper information concerning any particular lease)**
- 6. All members shall be courteous to the lease owners, their family and employees and shall comply with any reasonable request which may be made by the Lessor due to circumstances that may occur on the lease at that time. Maintaining good relations with the Lessor is the responsibility of every member.**
- 7. All members will remove all trash and litter which they bring on the leases. The cleaning of birds on the property is prohibited unless the feathers and entrails are bagged and removed from the premises.**
- 8. Gates on the leases shall be left in the position in which a member finds them upon entering or leaving the property unless the Lessor indicates otherwise.**

9. The leases of the ESC are for recreational purposes only. No commercial use such as commercial day-hunting or commercial dog training is allowed.

10. Entry to leased premises shall be made through existing gates only. No hunting is allowed from vehicles either on interior lease roads or public roads on or adjacent to the leased premises. Vehicular traffic is limited to existing roads on the leases.

ATV RULES

11. The use of ATV/UTV or any other type of motorized vehicle may be used on established roads. The use of any motorized vehicle may NOT BE USED OFF ROADS for the purpose of quail hunting unless previously approved in writing by the ESC board of directors. Individuals must submit a written request to the ESC board of directors to operate ATV/UTV off established roads. The board will notify the member in writing if permission is granted and is only valid for use in the season the request is granted and must be applied for each year thereafter. Unless otherwise stated, ATV/UTV may be used off established roads for the purpose of retrieving downed deer and for the placement or removal of tree stands. No scouting on ATV/UTV'S or any other type of motorized vehicle is allowed. Regardless of how this rule is described, additional restrictions on any particular Lease Cover Sheet will take precedence over the rule. Do not assume that you may apply this rule without first checking the Lease Cover Sheet before driving off road.

12. All members shall follow the procedures for booking a hunt on a lease. No member shall visit any lease during an open hunting season without previously booking each visit. This rule includes visiting any lease for the purpose of hunting, scouting, sightseeing, fishing, etc.

ORIENTATION REQUIREMENT

13. All members are required to attend an orientation seminar each year either online or in person. All members failing to attend the seminar are subject to forfeiture of hunting/fishing privileges. During any open hunting season, no Hunting Club Member may visit for any purpose any ESC lease before attending the orientation seminar. General members are not allowed on hunting property during any open hunting season after October 1. "Fishing only" leases are open to all members and family members of club members year-round.

14. Members will not drink beer, other intoxicating beverages or use illegal drugs while on the leases, nor will members use the leases while in an intoxicated state.

15. Members shall conduct themselves in an ethical manner and shall display the qualities and behavior befitting a sportsman, i.e., one who treats nature, the fish and game pursued, and all encountered in the conduct of sport with fairness, respect and dignity.

16. All members shall abide by the ESC rules and regulations and the terms of each lease.

TRESPASSING NOTICE

17. Trespass on neighboring property owners will not be tolerated. Violations of this nature will be considered major violations of club and ethical rules of conduct, and may result in the immediate dismissal of the club member from the club with no refund of dues paid.

DEER SEASON LEASE CLOSURE

18. Certain ESC leases will be closed during deer-gun season to all hunting except deer hunting. During the closed period, members shall not: 1) visit these leases except for the purpose of hunting deer; b) hunt or take any game except deer; and c) bring or permit any other member to have bird dogs on these leases, either in vehicles or otherwise.

FILING A COMPLAINT

19. Members who wish to make a complaint regarding the violation of Club rules and regulations must notify a member of the Ethics Committee and fully fill out, date, sign and submit a complaint form to the Ethics Committee. Forms may be obtained from any member of the Ethics Committee. The President-Elect is the chairman of the Ethics Committee.

DEPENDENT MEMBERSHIP

20. Dependents are defined as children, 24 years of age and younger. Adults must become Hunting Club members to hunt lease land when they become 25 years of age. Dependents must be listed on the primary membership and carry an appropriate membership card.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

21. TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE OPENING DAY DRAWINGS, ALL HUNTING CLUB MEMBERS, REGARDLESS OF RESIDENCE, (IN STATE OR OUT OF STATE), MUST PARTICIPATE IN ALL ELECTION VOTING AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS WHERE VOTING IS REQUIRED.

The board of directors shall make available voting methods as follows:

- 1. E-MAIL VOTING**
- 2. MAIL-IN ABSENTEE BALLOT**
- 3. IN-PERSON VOTING AT SCHEDULED MEETING**

22. It will be the sole responsibility of the club member to notify the secretary of any changes in e-mail and mailing address changes. Failure to provide a current e-mail address will result in not receiving ballots for voting.

ATTENTION DEER HUNTERS

23. The Edmond Sportsmen's Club has taken a deer trophy conservation approach to the harvesting of bucks. We are asking everyone to only harvest 8-point bucks or greater. With the quality of the land we lease, this will produce quality bucks. ESC encourages the harvest of does.

24. Deer stands placed by the club members must have the member's name and phone number attached to the stand and be visible from ground level. Stands that are not marked will be assumed to have been placed by trespassers and are subject to removal and disposal.

25. When a member's equipment is located on club property, it is everyone's responsibility to not disturb the equipment. Any member found disturbing any camera, blind, feeder etc. may be subject to disciplinary action by the club.

26. Deer hunters will have 2 weeks after the drawing to select their hunting locations on the lease drawn for muzzle loader season and until November 1, for rifle season. Hunters will have a priority of a hunting location based upon their order of draw. The first hunter drawn will have first choice, second draw next and etc. Members failing to establish a hunting location prior to the times listed above will no longer have a priority status for the selection of hunting location and will go to the bottom of the priority list.

27. The person higher in rank of the priority will be responsible to notify the person following them as to their preference of hunting location.

28. Due to the very limited hunter availability to receive Kansas Deer Permits, the board of directors will not guarantee that we will make available any lease for the purpose of Kansas deer hunting. We may however, make available on a sub-lease basis only, trespass privileges to hunt Kansas deer when it is available.

ATTENTION QUAIL HUNTERS

29. Kansas, Texas and Oklahoma quail/pheasant hunting leases are limited to a maximum of 3 times a season on any one lease. A member may only hunt a quail/pheasant lease one time during any calendar month (October, November, December, January, February) on any particular lease, not exceeding the 3-time limit per season.

FISHING ONLY MEMBERSHIPS

Edmond Sportsman's Club has established a "Fishing Only" membership. Fishing Memberships are only for fishing on club leases. This class of membership will follow the same membership term as the remainder of the club memberships. All fishing memberships expire May 31 of the year regardless of the date the member joins. Fishing Club members do not have voting rights for the Hunting Club.

Fishing Club membership is a family membership and all immediate family members must be named on the membership application and a membership card will be issued to the family member. Children are considered to be part of the family until age 25.

Hunting Club Memberships will allow fishing on club leases without additional membership fees.

FISHING GUEST RULES

For a Hunting or Fishing Member to take a guest-non family member fishing, it will require the member to have an Associate type of membership.

- a. All Hunting Club Associate memberships will allow the member to take a guest fishing without any additional expense.
- b. Fishing only memberships will require the purchase of a Fishing Associate Membership to allow the member to take a guest. Fishing Associates are limited to one guest per fishing trip on the membership same as the Quail/Deer Associate Memberships allow only one guest. The Fishing Only Associate membership fee is \$100 in addition to the membership fee. Anyone, Hunting Club Members or Fishing Members may purchase one.
- c. No daily fishing guest passes are available for fishing.

GENERAL FISHING RULES

- a. No Alcoholic beverages on fishing leases.
- b. No smoking on fishing leases.
- c. Remove all Trash brought to the lease.
- d. Always close and lock gates upon entering and leaving the leases.
- e. Practice catch and release on Bass of breeding size until we can establish a viable fish population and announce otherwise.
- f. Have in your possession Membership Cards and display Parking Pass while on the lease.
- g. Fishing Membership are for fishing only. No hunting allowed with Fishing Memberships.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL DUES

The ESC lease committee works year-round to provide for the best lease package at the best cost annually. To achieve the best package, we make long term commitments with our landowners. For ESC to meet those long term commitments, we require a long-term commitment from the membership. We

can't allow the membership to wait until August to determine if they are going to renew membership. If we did, we would lose the opportunity to renew leases with our land owners. A poor hunting year does not necessitate the dropping of a lease if that property has good habitat, but without members committed to the Club structure for long term membership we are having to drop good leases. Once a good lease has been dropped, the opportunity to get it back is difficult.

If you have been involved in private leasing you understand the importance of paying for your leases in a timely manner to avoid losing your lease to another hunter. The same holds true for the ESC Club. We offer a variety of payment options to make renewal possible for our membership. If you're experiencing difficulty in a lump sum payment during the renewal period, a payment plan will allow you to begin the renewal process. All dues must be paid in full prior to being allowed access to the ESC Leases.

It is the intention of the ESC Board of Directors to limit large fluctuations of both memberships or Lease opportunities. Beginning with the 2021 hunting season, the Board of Directors will place limitations on memberships available to allow for budgeting of lease monies to be applied to the Lease Package. When we meet the membership goals, the club will close the membership until the following membership year.

Beginning March 2025, the treasurer will send via e-mail the renewal dues for the following membership year. Invoices are due upon receipt. There is a \$150 penalty if the renewal process is not started by May 1. An additional \$150 penalty if the renewal process is not started by June 1. The member will be dropped from the club if the renewal process is not started by June 30. Any member who is dropped from the club due to non-payment of dues will be treated as a new member including Initiation Fees of \$500.00.

While we welcome new memberships, the monies received after the June time frame does little or nothing toward the current lease package. Please be committed early when the invoices are available.

Any individual having extenuating circumstances such as health issues that would prohibit timely renewal and those conditions change before the Club fills the membership, the Board of Directors will have the ability to allow for a renewal out of the dates stated above.

BOOKING A HUNT

1. Members may book a hunt by logging onto the club's website at www.eschunting.org.
2. Members may book a hunt six days in advance of any day occurring after the opening two days of a hunting season.
3. Opening two days of most seasons are booked thru a drawing held in September or other date as necessary and the spots remaining after the drawing will be available six days in advance as with any regular booking.
4. Quail Hunters may only be booked for two days in advance of the current date the booking is made, unless one of the hunting days has already started you should only have 2 hunts booked. Deer /Turkey hunters may only be booked for four days in advance, unless one of the hunting days has already started.

EXAMPLE: Bill is booked Monday and Tuesday of next week for quail. If Bill wants to book Wednesday, he would not be able to book until the hunting day on Monday has already begun. The same scenario would be true for deer hunting except to book the fifth day in advance the first day must have already begun.

5. Dove hunting must be booked. Book dove hunts using the quail lease number for any particular property. Dove season bookings will not be counted against the quail limitations for hunting a lease.

6. All leases will be booked for the entire day. **Unless you are booked on a lease, you are not to be on the lease.** Bookings may be canceled if done prior to the date of the scheduled hunt. A scheduled hunt cannot be cancelled after the start of the hunting day unless the member contacts the Treasurer, Secretary or Leasing Agent. Those members have administrative privileges for the web site and are able to cancel the hunt. Members are allowed to hunt 2 or more leases on the same day providing that you book the second lease during the day of the hunt. It is still against club rules to book *in advance* more than one lease on any given date.

7. If a member will not be hunting a reserved lease, the member must cancel the hunt thru the online booking program. Every member is responsible for either attending a booked hunt or canceling the hunt. During deer and turkey season, members who are also reserved on the lease should be notified by the canceling member that they will not be there to hunt. This will allow the remaining hunters to adjust their hunting location if desired.

8. Each member must report all game harvested or wounded and lost. Reports of the harvest must be done on the booking website Reporting tab. The booking program will not allow future bookings if you fail to report your harvest withing 7 days of the hunt, this same rule applies for guests/family members of the primary members.

9. For all types of hunting, a member may reserve a lease for herself or himself and any other member, provided that the member has the *LOGIN NAME* and *PASSWORD* of each member to be booked. Every member booked on a lease, regardless of who made the reservation, is responsible for ensuring compliance with the Club's rules and procedures, including, but not limited to, those rules applying to cancellation of reservations.

10. If you have questions regarding a lease or the Club's rules and procedures, contact an ESC director, officer or member of the Lease or Ethics Committee as appropriate.

11. If you're taking minor children on a hunt and they are not actually participating in the hunt, do NOT book the child. This will allow other club members to access the lease.

SPECIAL LEASE CLOSINGS DEER AND QUAIL SEASON OVERLAP

1. During deer gun season leases that allow both quail and deer hunting will be CLOSED to quail hunting on both Saturday and Sunday for the 3 weeks that quail and deer seasons overlap. Booking will not be available for quail hunting on these dates.

2. Various combination leases will be closed to quail hunting during the deer rifle season. If a lease does not appear on the website booking service, it is closed. Several leases in Texas and Kansas will be closed during the season by contract with the landowner to allow for the landowner to have deer hunters present.

3. ON WEEKDAYS ONLY DURING DEER GUN SEASON QUAIL HUNTING IS PERMITTED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 9AM AND 4PM. QUAIL HUNTERS MUST NOT ARRIVE ON THE LEASE BEFORE 9 A.M. AND MUST HAVE DEPARTED PRIOR TO 4 P.M. OR ETHICS VIOLATIONS CAN BE FILED.

4. You must book for deer hunting and you must also book for quail hunting if you are going to hunt both species of game on the same actual property on the same date. This will require the booking of *both* the quail and deer lease numbers for the particular lease. It is the responsibility of the hunter to book the proper lease number. Improperly booked hunts will result in rules violations. Do not book a quail lease number and intend to deer hunt, etc.

5. For safety reasons, check to see if someone else is hunting the lease at the same time you intend to hunt and know where they are going to be on the lease. A deer hunter could be hunting early morning and later be quail hunting on the same lease.

2025 Opening Weekend Point Drawing

ESC has developed a point system to reward participating members that assist in the things that make the Club a success.

Any member that participates in these activities accumulate points based on the following schedule:

- 1. Trade Show/Fair Booth participation.**
 - a. 1.5 points per shift or 5 points for all day participation.**
- 2. Booth Setup or Take Down.**
 - a. 1 point per event.**
- 3. Lease work requiring road trips.**
 - a. 4 point per trip.**
- 4. Attendance of Lease, Board Meeting, Etc.**
 - a. 0.5 points per meeting.**
- 5. Special points issued by the Board of Directors that fall outside prior established guidelines.**

All points expire after the drawing for the Fall Hunting Seasons.

Opening Weekend Draws will occur as follows:

- 1. 15 points & above-Initial Drawing**
- 2. 10-14.5 points- 2nd Drawing**
- 3. 5-9.5 points-3rd Drawing**
- 4. All members with less than 5 points-Final Drawing**

Without participation in club activities, ESC could not operate on a non employee status. We are dependent on member participation to accomplish the work required to make the club functional. Contact any member of the Board to find opportunity to participate.

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Duck Hunting Rules

A. Blind Selection/Utilization

- a. All Oklahoma State and Federal waterfowl hunting rules apply
- b. If applicable, duck blinds will NOT be permanently assigned
- c. Standard lease booking rules apply, basically no hunting more than two days in a row.
- d. All associate passes are valid when booking duck leases
- e. Associates must hunt with their respective hunt club member
- f. Maximum number of hunters is limited to no more than three (3) hunters. This will NOT be exceeded for any reason
- g. Upon completion of a hunt, remove all items including decoys, chairs/stools, portable blinds, empty shotgun hulls, and trash
- h. Do not clean birds on the premises

B. Hunting Schedule

- a. Multiple studies have shown birds must be given an adequate opportunity to feed and rest, free of pressure. They learn the rules real fast. By cutting off shooting at a certain time, they'll show up shortly after to eat and relax. This will aid in keeping them using the field. By regulating shooting pressure, we will help to ensure waterfowl presence throughout the entire season.

i. Sunday

- 1. Legal hunting time until no later than 12 noon

ii. Monday

- 1. No Hunting

iii. Tuesday

- 1. Legal hunting time until no later than 12 noon

iv. Wednesday

- 1. *Legal hunting time until no later than 12 noon*

v. Thursday

- 1. No Hunting

vi. Friday

- 1. No Hunting

vii. Saturday

- 1. *Legal hunting time until no later than 12 noon*

- b. All shooting must cease and all hunters are to vacate the premises as soon as possible after the conclusion of each hunt.

- c. During non-hunting days, no member may be on the lease.

d. NO MEMBER FOR THE PURPOSE OF DUCK HUNTING WILL BE ALLOWED ON THE PROPERTIES AFTER 12:00

NOON, starting one week before the opening of any waterfowl season and lasting through the waterfowl season.