

TURK RANCH  
WHITETAIL DEER SEASON HUNTING LEASE RULES

1. **The Whitetail deer herd management shall follow hunting procedures consistent with proper trophy buck harvesting. For a hunter's Trophy Quality Buck, the hunter must make every effort to age the buck on the hoof prior to shooting. If unsure of your ability to age the deer, please, seek help from Lessor.** At least an equal number of does to bucks will also be harvested each season. This is to maintain the proper buck /doe ratio. No hunter may make a judgment call on a buck to be culled for inferior horn production, but landowner may occasionally grant permission for you to substitute such a buck in place of a doe. All hunters must comply with the hunting laws of the state of Texas and the Level 3 Managed Land Deer Permit System as required by Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept. All deer harvested should be measured and recorded in the game harvest records. Every deer harvested should be aged and weighed after field dressing. Also, any other game harvested should be recorded including turkeys, game birds, javelina, and predators. **Mule deer are not included in your hunting lease.**

2. Vehicles may only leave existing ranch roads for hunters to set up or maintain their blinds and feeders or to retrieve an animal that has been harvested. If hunters plan to use RV's or campers during the rifle season, those may be left during the rest of the year, but not connected to utilities and must be parked so other RV's may use the places with utilities. Parking locations subject to landowner approval.

3. **Alcoholic beverages and illegal drugs are prohibited on the Turk Ranch. No prescription drugs or over the counter medications which may cause drowsiness or interfere with the ability to drive may be used while hunting on the Turk Ranch. These requirements are for the safety of yourself and all others hunting on the ranch.**

4. Be considerate of others and know where everyone who will be in the same pasture with you plans to hunt. Safety first at all times. All "other family hunters" must hunt with primary Lessee unless lessor grants permission to hunt alone.

5. Hunting around waterings shall not interfere with livestock coming into water in any way. Blinds and feeders should be placed at least 125 yards away from livestock waterings. At least one feeder per each rifle season lessee will be available for you to sign up for and hunt each day. No hunting is allowed within ¼ mile of Turk Ranch headquarters.

6. Hunters must make every effort to trail and retrieve wounded animals. Hunters must not abandon a wounded deer without showing landowner the trail before they leave the ranch. They may not continue to hunt for another animal until landowner grants permission.

7. Except by special permission, no campsites other than at the main west side hunting camp are approved or included with your hunting agreement. If you use one of the owner's rooms or buildings, please remove all your personal belongings when you leave.

8. At no time may hunters cross ranch outside boundary fences onto neighboring ranches unless that ranch is also leased by your host for hunting purposes. Please leave all ranch gates as you find them. If open when you arrive, you may leave it open; if closed when you arrive, please close it after you pass through.

9. Please be careful with matches and open fires. Help prevent grass fires. There are pipelines all over the ranch. Some are not buried very deep and some not buried at all. Please do not cross them with a vehicle except where there are already roads because they are easily broken.

10. All hunters including "other family hunters" must sign releases of liability Exhibits "A" and "B" prior to entering the Turk Ranch. Non-hunting guests are permitted to accompany hunter to ranch, but may not carry any firearms and must sign releases of liability A & B **Any violation of any of the Ranch Rules is grounds for asking you to leave the premises and you may not be invited back.**

We appreciate your cooperation and hope you have a very enjoyable hunt. Mike and Rhonda Turk

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