



Farmton Hunt Club | P.O. Box 220169 | Glenwood, FL 32722

Farmton Hunt Club Rules and Regulations

Farmton Hunt Club Members are responsible for reading and following all rules and regulations.

Please Note: Offenders of any rule may be ejected by the Farmton Hunt Club President.

Rule # 1: The taking of a buck with less than three points on one side is prohibited; to be counted as a point, a projection must be one inch long. All points will be measured from the tip of the point to the nearest edge of the main beam. The main beam and/or brow tine is counted as a point.

"For definition purposes, a buck that does not have at least three points on one side is considered a mistake buck, and a violation of this rule." Basket rack bucks are not to be taken.

The fine for violating this rule will be \$200.00, payable to the Club General Fund, and counts as two bucks. A second offense may result in the loss of deer hunting privileges for the year.

You are required to pay fines prior to returning to hunt.

Farmton Hunt Club management and Miami Alternatives LLC will determine deer harvest per membership, on a yearly basis. Deer taken by a family member or guest will count against the member's deer limit. This includes antler rule violations.

A state rule buck at least three (3) years old will be acceptable at the discretion of the land manager.

Antlerless deer permits must be used by January 1, unless further notice is given.

Rule # 2: Hunting by the use of dogs will be allowed on Thursday through Sunday; on holidays; the first nine days of regular deer season; Thanksgiving week; and between Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

All dogs must be equipped with electronic tracking collars and electric control collars, be tagged with hunting club I.D. numbers and be up to date on their rabies vaccinations.

Crane Swamp Unit: No dogs will be cast, nor dogs headed to take deer East of B-8, north to B-6, then west to the 90-degree turn west of power lines, then turning west on woods road, continuing through to B-73, then proceeding west on B-73 to B-7, then north to Galbraeth Camp road, then north to fence line. All areas on Mitigation side of these roads are non-dog areas.

Buck Lake Unit: No dogs will be cast, nor dogs headed to take deer south of B-10 (south of mitigation fence, south of borrow pit), to B-101, then south of 101 to east fence line. All areas on Mitigation side of these roads are non-dog areas.

Rule # 3: All deer hunters, including any person with them, are to wear a minimum of 500 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange or fluorescent green material above the waist. This rule does not apply in archery season and spring turkey season.

Rule # 4: Hunting on Wednesdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. is prohibited, except for weeks where a holiday falls (Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's).

Rule # 5: All Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission laws will be adhered to.

1. Mitigation Bank Areas:

- a. Access will be restricted to numbered roads and permanent fire lines.
- b. No feeding stations are allowed within the Mitigation Bank.
- c. Deer hunting within the Mitigation Bank will be still hunt only.
- d. Protected stand placement will be allowed.

2. Wellfields

Motorized vehicles are not to access wellfield roads. Crossing wellfields on permanent roads/fire lines is permitted.

3. Hunting and Access Restrictions on Trail:

- a. Portions of the Miami Tract are crossed by a public hiking and biking trail. Hunters shall observe 300-foot buffer on either side of the trail within which hunting of any species is restricted to still hunt with shotguns or primitive weapons only.
- b. Driving or possession of a firearm on the trail is prohibited.
- c. Hunting on fence line next to trails is prohibited.

4. Bear Hunting:

- a. Bear hunting is prohibited in the southwest wildlife corridor.
- b. Lessee retains the right to allow, prohibit or restrict hunting and harvest of any game species other than deer.

5. Turkey Hunting:

- a. Turkey will only be taken during spring gobbler season.
- b. Only shotguns using approved turkey loads will be used.
- c. Only two bearded turkeys per membership are permitted.
- d. Guest turkeys count against membership.
- e. During spring gobbler season, protected areas are limited to feeder location.
- f. Turkeys are not to be taken over bait.

- 6. All game will be documented at a check station before leaving property. Harvest information will be documented to include weight, sex, rack size, age estimate, and any other information that may be on the checkout sheet. All deer will be measured from the right corner of the nostril to the front corner of the right eye and recorded on the game sheet.

Stands and Feeders

Rule # 6: A member is allowed to have two (2) protected stand locations, reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis. Protected stands shall be identified with the member's name. A number will be assigned to each location, which will then be placed on an aerial photograph of the property. You may not place a stand within 300 yards of another member's protected stand. Excessive marking of areas will not be tolerated. You may not use stand locations to block ingress or egress to other locations.

Certain areas of the club will be dedicated **still hunt** areas. Dog hunting in these areas is strictly prohibited. Dogs will be headed in these areas only to catch them. Dog hunters are prohibited from attempting to take deer in these areas (Dog hunters may attempt to take deer where deer crosses from dog area into still hunt only.)

Due to limited acreage, Buck Lake unit members may only have one protected stand in the area south of B-10 (south of mitigation fence, south of borrow pit), to B-101, then south of 101 to east fence line.

Club management reserves the right to approve any stand.

Rule # 7: Hunting on or from another person's protected stand or feeding station is prohibited without written permission.

Rule # 8: Stands and feeder poles are to be constructed of metal, plastic or fiberglass. Stands may not be permanently attached to trees, nor may they be placed in a manner as to obstruct roads or fire lines. Driving of metal objects into trees is prohibited. Fall-protection safety devices are required while utilizing tree stands.

Land Use

Rule # 9: Camping is allowed at designated primitive campsites by the use of tents, trailer or self-propelled camping vehicles. All equipment shall be allowed two (2) weekends prior to archery season, removed within ten (10) days following spring gobbler season. No permanent structures are allowed.

Rule # 10: FIRE PROTECTION: Fires shall be limited to campfires in designated campsites only, per page 15 of Miami Tract Hunting Lease.

Rule # 11: Selected areas containing pine seedlings may be posted to hunting and/or driving. Damage to pines is prohibited.

Rule # 12: If water or fire conditions in the area become extreme, some roads or club may be closed to vehicular traffic.

Rule # 13: Littering is prohibited. Members are to pick up trash and keep the area clean.

General

Rule # 14: Dues must be paid by April 1 each year. If you have not made your dues payment by April 1, your protected stands are considered as open area that may be claimed by another member.

Rule # 15: Workdays are mandatory. Failure to attend will result in a \$50 fine.

Rule # 16: Club members are responsible for fire watch. Members who fail to fulfill this responsibility will not be granted doe permits or extra buck. Members who are 70 years of age or older, or members with permanent disabilities, may be exempt from fire watch. Members who fit this exemption will receive antlerless permits, but will not be entitled to an extra buck.

Rule # 17: Membership includes and allows immediate family members to hunt. Children may continue to hunt as long as they are a full-time student under the age of 19. Full-time college students under the age of 23 are permitted to hunt with proof of enrollment.

For definition purposes, immediate family means spouse and children living at home. **Family members must be accompanied by the member while on the property.*

Rule # 18: All vehicles will be insured and have current club sticker attached. All members who operate an unlicensed motor vehicle (jeep, ATV, etc.) will be required to show proof of liability insurance for said vehicle to obtain a club decal and must carry the evidence on the ATV at all times. Policy must state \$500,000 Liability, with Miami Alternatives LLC, P.O. Box 70, Edgewater, FL 32132, as Additional Insured or Additional Interest.

- A) Excessive speeding and/or reckless driving is strictly prohibited.
 - B) Photocopy of valid driver's license and proof of insurance shall be provided with application and payment of dues.
 - C) Gates must be closed and locked at all times.
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Rule # 19: All members and guests agree to hold harmless The Miami Alternatives LLC, Farmton Hunt Club LLC, fellow members and their families or guests, for any accidents or injuries that may occur while on this property. All members and

family will sign a hold harmless agreement when applying for membership and when reapplying yearly.

A member is allowed to bring one hunting guest. Should a member choose to invite a guest, the following are applicable:

- A) Member will ensure that proper paperwork and fees for guest are completed prior to hunt, including:
 - a) Hold Harmless Release
 - b) A fifty (\$50.00) dollar guest fee, paid to the club prior to hunt.
 - c) Envelope to include Hold Harmless Release and guest fee. Envelope is to be placed in locked box at one of the **check stations or given to Club President or assistant prior to hunt.** *Please note, mailboxes at gates are not the property of Farmton Hunt Club.*
 - B) The member is responsible for the actions of his/her guest and family.
 - C) All guests will ride in member's vehicle.
 - D) Guests are restricted from the property during: the first nine (9) days of Archery, Muzzle Loading, and first nine (9) days of General Gun. Guests during Spring Gobbler Season must hunt with member.
 - E) Guide hunting for fees is strictly forbidden.
 - F) Not more than two (2) vehicles per membership will be allowed on property at one time.
 - G) A guest may only hunt a maximum of three calendar days within a membership year.
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Rule # 20: Off-season driving will be restricted to numbered roads except while feeding stands, and to **daylight hours only**. This rule may be amended or revoked by the Club Manager or Lessor. Nighttime driving during hunting season will be restricted to going to or from hunting stands and for locating lost dogs. Shining of game is strictly prohibited. Hog and coon hunters are exempt from this rule with prior approval from the President.

Any member found in violation of the club rules is subject to fine or expulsion. All fines will be paid prior to returning to hunt. Membership dues are not refundable. Remember, members are responsible for their guests and other family members while on the property.

Rule # 21: Any designated liaison to the Farmton Hunt Club President is authorized to request membership information including, but not limited to, government issued identification such as a driver license; membership card; and/or proof of insurance. Failure to adhere to this guideline, by members and guests, may result in expulsion from Farmton Hunt Club. Please refer to the Leadership page of FarmtonHuntClub.com for an updated listing of designated liaisons.

Rule # 22: Driving across pastures is strictly forbidden unless a permanent road exists. Land owner will allow us to drive around edge of pastures as long as damage is not sustained.