

NZPHA – H&S Policy

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Club Name: _____



Responsibilities

To ensure the safety of our members by providing safety inductions and making sure members are aware of the hazards within the hunting environment.

Eliminate – Isolate - Minimise

Club: - Provide safety inductions for members and make sure that you are all aware of the hazards within the hunting environment including private land, DOC, Pine, Tussock, Native and public land.

Member: - Ensure your own safety and that of your hunting party and that no action or inaction of yours or others with you, causes harm to any other person. These are recommended health and safety guidelines but not limited to.

Actions: -

- Identify and report all hazards found in the hunting environment
- Inform members of the hazards and hazard controls
- Maintain an accident/incident register and take all practical steps to prevent reoccurrence
- Inform members of emergency procedures

Members are to report any hazard, accidents found, accidents or incidents to the club secretary. (enter Club name) is committed to maintaining a safe and healthy environment for our members and associates in the hunting area. Health and safety is everyone's responsibility and everyone is expected to share in our commitment to prevent accidents and incidents that result in injury, property damage or loss of any kind.

Every member is expected to act in a safe manner at all times to ensure their welfare and that of fellow members and associates while in the hunting environment.

Safety Precautions: -

The following are recommended safety precautions when out in the hunting environment.

Tell someone where you are going and when you are expected out of the hunting environment. It is recommended that you carry a cellphone with you at all times while hunting. It is wise to wear some form of Hi-Vis clothing. Hunting parties should ensure their gear, vehicles and accessories are maintained to the highest standard.

We recommend carrying PLB and basic first aid for backcountry hunting.

Member Conduct: -

We expect good conduct from all our members. Non-compliance with the rules, not observing the terms and conditions of entry to the hunting environment and falling foul of security results in a poor position for your club representatives when negotiating on hunting policy and trying to obtain the best hunting terms and conditions.

Firearms: *Firearms are only permitted to be used in accordance with NZ Firearms Laws. Members are to be aware that the designation of the type of firearms that are approved for use may differ from area to area.*

Poisons/Traps: *Poisons and traps are used in the hunting environment. DO NOT touch any baits, lures, carcasses or traps. Dogs are particularly susceptible to poison.*

Driver: *When driving in the hunting environment, normal New Zealand road rules apply (except speed limits). Drive with lights on low beam at all times in the hunting environment. Drive at a speed that suits the road conditions: Some roads are often narrow with rough surfaces, vision may be obscured due to vegetation, dust, fog, blind corners. Some intersections are unmarked and not clearly visible. **Maximum speed on sealed roads: 80 km/hr unsealed roads: 60 km/hr.** Park off the road. Do not drive beyond any security gate. Do not block the road or gate ways with your vehicle. Walk towards the traffic.*

Hazards/Risks: *The hunter acknowledges that the hunting environment is a place of potential hazards and shall take all proper care in the pursuit of their quarry. The hunter agrees to enter the hunting environment at their own risk and shall be solely responsible for those persons accompanying the hunter.*

Permit Requirements:

This permit must be carried at all times and produced on demand whilst the holder is within the hunting environment. This permit is not transferable and may be revoked at any time by notice given by or on behalf of the permit issuer either verbally or by public notice or by advertisement. The permit holder must comply with all reasonable directions issued by a warranted officer, an honorary enforcement officer or commercial forest management personnel. The permit holder and those persons accompanying the permit holder shall not interfere with commercial activities in the hunting environment or any person (s) granted access to the hunting environment.

The permit holder shall be responsible for the actions of all persons accompanying the permit holder under the permit whilst in the hunting environment. The permit holder shall immediately notify the permit issuer of any damage to the hunting environment or any property within it or any injuries to any person occurring within the hunting environment. You must inform your Pig Hunting Club of any permit breach or that is revoked.

Breach of Permit Conditions:

Your permit will terminate immediately upon any breach of its terms. In the event your permit is revoked or breached, the permit holder and those persons covered by the permit shall immediately leave the hunting environment and shall not re-enter the area.

Forest Operations:

*Commercial forests, which operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. There are many heavy vehicles and equipment operating in the forest, which can have the potential to create hazardous and/or dangerous situations. Please take extreme care and follow all instructions given by forestry staff at **ALL** times while in the forest.*

It is the responsibility of the Licensee to ensure anyone accompanying them into the forest meets the requirements of their organisation's health and safety management plan and the requirements made by the Licensor.

Long Stem Operations:

Do not enter areas where long stem logging trucks operate. These trucks are loaded with full-length trees up to 40 meters long. These trucks use the whole road. Warning signs will be erected in areas where these trucks are operating.

Forest Hazards:

Listed below are those hazards commonly expected within the hunting environment. Hazards are site specific so not all of these hazards apply to every site and many sites will have additional hazards present.

..... carry out a site or operation specific hazard identification and control exercise when deemed necessary.

Rubbish:

The dumping of rubbish is strictly prohibited. All rubbish must be removed.

Fires:

Dial 111 if you see and fire in the hunting environment.

Camping:

Camping is prohibited unless expressly permitted.

Hunting:

Hunting is only encouraged with the appropriate permissions/permits.

Poachers:

Gather appropriate information without confrontation.

Lost Keys:

If a member loses an access key it is their responsibility to leave their vehicle in a safe and unobstructed position and to arrange own way out of the block. They will also need to arrange an appropriate time with master key holder to recover their vehicle and cover the key costs.

Emergency Contact Person:

An emergency contact number and person's name will be included in our database.

Follow the set rules and keep safe at all times

