

Heart Of Texas Bowhunting Turkey Hunt Rules

1. **Obey all state game laws.**
2. **NO** hunting within ½ mile of headquarters and other designated non hunting areas.
3. **NO loaded firearms in the cabins. Ensure gun safety!!**
4. Each hunter is allowed 1 tom turkey and all hogs and varmints per trip. Hogs, varmints and other game may be taken by bow.
5. A second tom turkey can be taken for an additional \$1000.
6. If you hit a turkey, text or call us. **WOUNDING: If you draw blood on an animal that is your animal.** A hit is a harvest so make your shots count!
7. Do not waste game meat. If you do not want it, talk to us and we'll find a place for it.
8. No stands within 50 yards of boundary lines.
9. No shooting across boundary lines.
10. **Check in with H.O.T. personnel when leaving hunting areas.**
11. No flagging to and from your stand or blinds. You must use natural materials such as limbs or rocks to mark your trails. A handheld GPS device is strongly recommended for marking your hunting locations and dead animals.
12. Use of ATV/UTVs are permitted going to and from your assigned area. **Do not get off designated roads and do not go past designated parking areas with any vehicle with the exception of e-Bikes.** Driving is limited to getting to and from your area. **There is no sightseeing.** Scouting must be done on foot or by e-Bike.
13. The use of e-Bikes and carts is highly recommended.
14. Stay in your area while hunting. Do not cross any fences or boundaries. If you disturb another hunter in his area, you may be asked to pay for his entire hunt and vice versa.
15. Tree Trimming: you may trim trees as you need but don't cut any limbs or trees larger than one inch in diameter.
16. No screw in tree steps.
17. **All blinds and equipment must be removed from hunting areas by Sunday night.**
18. Keep all gates as you found them. Closed if they are closed and open if they are open. Watch out for the cows. These are working cattle ranches.
19. **No alcohol permitted in hunting areas.** Keep it in the camp. No smoking in the camp house or hunting areas, keep it outside of the cabin areas.
20. **Do not litter. If you see litter, please pick it up. If you smoke, please pick up all cigarette butts.** Trash: Please take it home with you. Please do not leave trash in blinds provided to hunters.
21. There is a cleaning station provided for field dressing your game but please put only animal remains in buckets. No trash! We will haul off remains and dispose of them. A walk-in cooler is provided on the premises for your convenience but please keep this clean.
22. Keep the camp house clean, there are other hunters when you leave. Room inspection and additional cleaning fees may apply if damage or for extra dirty rooms (i.e. excessive mud, food, and trash) are found when you leave. Please take your trash with you.
23. No dogs allowed unless cleared by H.O.T. staff.

If you break any of these rules you may be asked to leave the ranch, forfeit all hunt money and you will not be allowed back. All rules are intended for the benefit of the hunting areas and the hunters to achieve maximum success.