

## **RANCH RULES FOR PUBLIC HUNTERS**

1. All hunters must check in at one of the entrance gates before hunting. All hunters must check out at the same gate leaving that area. Area entrance/exit gates will be unlocked for one half hour before sunrise to one-and one-half hours after sunset or written instructions will be at the gate.
2. To assist in game handling, each hunter may be accompanied by only one non-hunting companion of legal age.
3. To minimize confusion and reduce noise in the hunting areas, camping or overnight us is not allowed.
4. Campfires are prohibited due to extremely dry conditions.
5. All vehicles must stay on existing roads. Certain roads or trails may be closed to vehicles. To protect habitat, reduce erosion and repair costs, vehicles are not allowed off of established roads except for parking immediately next to the road. Hunters will be notified of any unusual road closures due to extreme or dangerous conditions at the time of check-in.
6. ATVs are allowed for game retrieval only.
7. Please do not litter. Pack out anything that you bring in.
8. Target shooting is not permitted; it scares the game out of the country.
9. No firewood cutting or gathering is permitted.
10. Our lakes and streams are privately stocked, and fishing is not allowed.
11. Dogs are not allowed.
12. Due to liability concerns by the landowners involved, hunting by horseback is prohibited.
13. Certain areas may be excluded from hunting access for safety reasons, such as around buildings and livestock.
14. Regular season hunting licenses will not be valid on the Piñon Mesa West properties. Only Piñon Mesa West permits are valid. The only species to be hunted will be ELK or DEER. You may expect to see and be seen by the Game Warden, who will check your licenses.
15. Alcohol is not permitted. Smoking is only allowed in your vehicle.
16. Hunters and non-hunting guests must agree to accept all risk involved with hunting on Piñon Mesa West lands. A Release from Liability Form holding the owners free from any liability and damages, including damages to vehicles, must be signed and returned before entering the property.
17. After you are successful, please complete a harvest report form at the check-out point before you leave the ranch. The harvest report form will be in the binder in the sign in box at each gate. Wildlife management depends on accurate reporting of harvest.
18. Please report wounded animals to the Ranch Representative as soon as possible. Please make every effort to retrieve and locate wounded animals.
19. Scouting prior to the season is not allowed. Even if the county road goes through the property accessing the private land is considered trespass.

- 20. All firearms are to be completely unloaded (in both the magazine and chamber) and actions left open prior to approaching any Ranch buildings, sheep camps or other facilities.**
- 21. Be certain of your target and that you are shooting in a safe direction and within your capability. Be aware of livestock, other hunters, Ranch staff and buildings in the background. Do not shoot unless you are absolutely sure of your kill.**
- 22. Hunters must abide by all state laws and ranch rules. Violation of state laws, regulations or ranch rules may result in expulsion from the ranch and possible criminal prosecution.**