BURNS HOLE RANCHING FOR WILDLIFE
HUNTING RULES AND RESTRICTIONS

In an effort to provide our clients and guests with a safe and enjoyable hunting experience the following rules and restrictions have been established. Please take time to carefully read and understand the following rules established to provide the highest quality experience possible.

1. The Ranch, its employees and all hunters and guests shall adhere to all federal and state game laws at all times and uphold the highest standards of fair chase and ethical hunting. The Ranch reserves the right to ask any guest who refuses to abide by Ranch rules or state game laws to leave the Ranch, hunting privileges on the Ranch shall be terminated, and violators may be subject to prosecution.

2. All hunters are encouraged to attend registration meetings the afternoon before the hunts begin. Registration times are from 4 to 6 pm the afternoon before our scheduled hunts begin. Registration can also be done anytime during the scheduled RFW hunts. Registration takes place at our Orientation site, and is designed to help you maximize your hunting opportunity on the Ranch. We will cover several areas of concerns or questions at this time, and will have staff members available to help you get the most out of your hunt.

3. The Ranch is divided into several large hunting areas, with each one having a specific check in point. Each hunter will be required to check in and out with a staff member of the Ranch at the various check points. To ensure a quality hunt, and with safety a priority, the amount of hunters in any one area may be limited. Specific details on the hunting areas will be available at the time you register to hunt the Ranch. Hunters will need to check in and out with staff members at the various check points at specified times. Specific hunting passes will be issued to hunters by a staff member at the various check points, along with detailed maps of the specific hunting area. These "map passes" need to be in the possession of hunters at all times while on the Ranch, and need to be returned at check out. Hunters may change areas during the day by checking out of their original area, and then checking in to a new area.

Hunters who fail to check in and out of the Ranch each day will lose their hunting privileges.

4. Hunters will not be permitted to walk onto the Ranch from other properties or public roads. This restriction is designed to help the Ranch staff and CPW control trespass and illegal harvest, which ultimately benefits all of our legal hunters and provides a much higher quality hunt for you. All hunters are asked to report any game law violations, suspected trespass or illegal harvest to the nearest Ranch staff member or CPW officer.

5. To ensure proper hunter distribution and a high quality hunt for all participants, and to avoid over crowding and to ensure safety, daily limits may be set on the number of hunters allowed in the various hunting areas. When a hunting area has an excessive number of hunters, additional hunters will be encouraged to hunt other areas. These restrictions will not apply to holders of antlered or either-sex licenses. Hunters will be allowed to hunt more than one hunting area during the day, provided that they do so during the specified times and in areas that are below the maximum hunter limits. In the past no area has reached its maximum level, everyone has been able to hunt where they wanted.

6. All animals harvested must be inspected by a Ranch staff member at one of the various check point stations on the Ranch. Proper disposal of heads and other inedible portions of the animal is the responsibility of the hunter.

7. The Ranch has adequate roads to and within the various hunting areas. In addition to the roads, ATV and snowmobile trails are also defined in each hunting area. All vehicles must remain on designated roads, and vehicles are not allowed on designated ATV or snowmobile trails. ATV's and snowmobiles are to remain on designated trails. Please use caution and care when driving on all designated roads and trails. Do not block any roads or trails. It is strongly recommended that hunters utilize solid 4WD vehicles in good working order with adequate snow/mud tires. Hunters should bring at a minimum, 4 heavy duty, fitted tire chains, a shovel, bumper jack and a come along or winch with a tree saver attachment.

8. Hunting from horseback is not permitted and hunters may not bring their personal pack animals onto the Ranch. Because most areas of the Ranch are readily accessible by vehicle and foot travel, and the terrain is relatively moderate, hunting access is by vehicle, ATV and foot travel only.

9. For safety, and to assist with game handling, each licensed hunter may be accompanied by a maximum of one non-hunting companion of legal hunting age.

10. All Ranch guests (including non-hunting companions) will be required to sign a release of liability and waiver of claims prior to the hunt.

11. No access to the Ranch will be allowed prior to the public hunt dates, except to register for the hunt at times listed in the Registration information.

12. Trespassing on neighboring private lands will not be tolerated, and will result in revocation of hunting privileges on the Ranch. Violators may also be subject to prosecution from the landowner on which the violation occurs.

13. Do not carry a loaded firearm in a motor vehicle. The action of a firearm should remain open at all times while in a motor vehicle. Do not insert a cartridge into the chamber until you are out of the vehicle in a safe position. Shooting from vehicles is strictly prohibited.

14. Firearms are not allowed inside any Ranch Facilities, camp sites or working areas.

15. Please be sure of your target and that you are shooting in a safe direction. Be aware of livestock, Ranch staff members, other hunters and Ranch facilities and employees. No hunting is allowed within 200 yards of any Ranch facility or structure.

16. Alcohol consumption before or during hunting is strictly prohibited. Any hunter or guest found to be intoxicated, actively consuming alcohol, or with open alcoholic containers, will be asked to leave the Ranch and hunting privileges will be terminated.

18. Hunters are expected to conduct themselves responsibly and ethically at all times. For the safety and enjoyment of all guests, alcohol consumption, illegal drug use, obnoxious or harassing behavior or abusive language will not be tolerated. Anyone exhibiting such behavior will be asked to leave and hunting privileges will be terminated.

19. Hunting ethics, respect for animals, and hunter skills are top priorities on the Ranch. Hunters are expected to use weapons that are accurate, and take only responsible clean killing shots. Avoid shooting into groups or herds of animals, and avoid excessively long shots. Wounding losses are a serious problem, help us eliminate this occurrence.

20. Hunting is limited to game designated by Ranching for Wildlife licenses only. No other game hunting is allowed, this includes small game, waterfowl, or upland game. Fishing on the Ranch is not permitted.

21. No overnight use of the Ranch is permitted. Camping is available on nearby BLM and National Forest Land.

22. All fires are prohibited.

23. Smoking is allowed ONLY IN YOUR VEHICLE. Fire risk can be extremely high in this area at all times of the year. Please help us protect wildlife habitat and prevent unplanned and uncontrolled fires.

24. All gates will be left the way they were found. Immediately close all gates that were found closed, and leave open gates open.

25. Field care of animals and storage of animals is the responsibility of the hunter.

26. Please do not litter. We ask that you help us continue to improve the hunting experience by joining us in picking up any litter found while on the Ranch.

27. Contact a staff member or CPW officer with any special concerns, disputes or questions

In order to make this program a success for the Ranch and our Guests, we need your cooperation in adhering to the above rules.

The Ranch Staff is dedicated to making your hunt as successful as possible. If you need anything or have any concerns or questions, please contact a Ranch Staff member while on the Ranch, or Contact Dean or Susan Billington, owners of Bull Basin Guides and Outfitters, L.L.C., at (970) 724-0417.

We thank you in advance for your assistance.
Good luck and enjoy your hunt!