

# MICHIGAN HUNTING RETRIEVER CLUB

## Training Ground Regulations



### “CONCEIVED BY HUNTERS FOR HUNTERS”

- Effective March 1, 2023, full members have access to club grounds from March 1<sup>st</sup> through September 15<sup>th</sup> on Sunday through Saturday from sunrise to 9:00 p.m.
- Use driveway leading towards houses, then turn to the right before puppy pond, when pulling off Faussett road. Park north of puppy pond, west side of track. No parking at front pines or near houses.
- Members are requested to keep training activities away from the private residences and barn.
- There is a “restroom” for club members use located towards the back of the property at Hobo Camp.
- The MIHRC will not do any trimming or grooming of the south edge of the Puppy Pond, nor will there be any parking in the fields or driveway south of the Puppy Pond.
- Driving around grounds:
  - Vehicles access to travel along established property routes outside of mowed pastureland.
  - Stay on the two-track roads at all times. When grounds are wet or soaked (early spring & late fall), do not operate a vehicle beyond the club parking area.
  - No driving vehicles on south side of puppy pond.
  - If you make ruts or get stuck, please fix them.
- Smokers – Do not discard butts on the grounds. Please take them with you.
- Tree and brush trimmings to be stacked and burned next to the west side of the middle pond outside of the mowed pastureland and established property route
- No glass containers permitted on grounds. Cans and plastic bottles MUST be removed.
- Children are the responsibility of their parents. All children of members are welcome, and we encourage family involvement. Members are responsible for their children’s activities and behavior and are expected to always supervise them. Be aware that there are a lot of “hazards” including dogs, vehicle traffic, gravel, ponds, snakes, etc.
- **GUN SAFETY WILL BE ENFORCED AT ALL TIMES.** All hunting, testing, and training situations require ultimate gun safety.
- Nothing louder than primer loads are to be used for training. The use of “popper” loads is prohibited.
- No alcoholic beverages are permitted before or during any training, testing or work session on Club grounds.
- Bitches in heat are not permitted on the grounds.
- Dogs must be on lead except when working or in a designated exercise area.
- Aggressive dog behavior will not be tolerated. Keep your dog in control.
- Corrections to your retriever must be within reason. Treatment of a retriever beyond an acceptable correction will not be tolerated.
- All shell casings must be picked up and disposed of. Please pick up anything that is not “natural” to the property, such as trash, cans, wrappers, etc.

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- Dead birds used in training must be removed from grounds and disposed of properly.
- Club Equipment is available for club members to use for training on the club grounds only. All equipment must be returned to and stored in the club trailer at the end of each training session. (Exceptions are the winger frames that may be temporarily left out in spring and summer for ease of training set-up). Report any equipment in need of repair to club Vice President or training leader. All winger rubber/pouches are stored inside trailer after each training session to prolong life and minimize wear.
- Club Guns are for use by members on the club grounds only. It's always a better idea to train with your own gun, but the club guns are available if needed. Check them out from a Board member. You must clean any gun used.
- Markers, tape, flags, posts, etc. must be removed after training for blinds or tracking tests. Anytime you see marker tape, please remove when training session is completed.
- Don't disturb other members training sessions. Please use common sense and courtesy.
- Young dogs are easily distracted by other dogs or bumpers at a distance.
- **Be aware that consistent violations of the above could result in MIHRC Board Action.** (in accordance with Article V, Section A, MIHRC By-Laws and Constitution)

**LEAVE THE LAND AS YOU FOUND IT!**  
**HAVE FUN!!**  
**TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WISH TO BE TREATED!!**  
**WHEN IN DOUBT DO THE RIGHT THING!!**