

POLICY – Hunting Access

This policy applies to all visitors to Mackintosh Group operated properties for the purposes of recreational hunting and bird shooting.

Hunting and bird shooting opportunities are available on some of the properties run by Mackintosh Group. These opportunities are primarily available for Mackintosh Group family, friends and employees within limits that allow the resources to be sustainable. No one is allowed to hunt on property operated by Mackintosh Group unless they are familiar with and agree to abide by this policy.

- Hunting/shooting access is at the sole discretion of the Livestock Manager and/or Managing Director and rules around this access and what species and demographics can be targeted may be altered from time to time to suit farming operations, seasonal pressures, hunting resource levels/condition and family access.
- No hunting/shooting during lambing.
- Accommodation/camping on the properties (hunting hut and farm cottage etc) is to be arranged through the Livestock Manager. Availability of this accommodation is at the sole discretion of the Livestock Manager and/or Managing Director.

Anyone hunting on property operated by Mackintosh Group is expected to:

- **Strictly adhere to NZ Firearms Regulations and those set out by Fish & Game New Zealand.**
- Report to the employee that lives on the property when they arrive on that property and advise them of when they leave.
- Be fully self-sufficient with their own mode of transport around the farm (i.e. quad bike) and hunting clothing/equipment.
- Ensure their visit causes minimal interruption to employees that live/work on the property, respecting their privacy by not entering their sheds or house sections unless invited to do so.
- Take responsibility for their own health & safety during the trip, including obtaining an up-to-date report from the Livestock Manager and/or Managing Director of any hazards they might encounter and how to avoid or mitigate them.
- Comply with any restrictions set by Livestock Manager and/or Managing Director around age/sex/ type and number of game that may be targeted and what firearms/weapons may be used.
- Be aware of and stay within property boundaries (map provided with this policy).
- Ensure that no farmed livestock are jeopardised or unreasonably disturbed by the hunting/recreational activities and all gates are left as they are found.
- Take all efforts to ensure game are killed as quickly and humanely as possible.
- Take all rubbish home with them and ensure any carcasses, gut bags, skins etc are left to break down out of sight and well away from any buildings.
- Report details of type/number/sex and location of any game shot to the Livestock Manager and/or Managing Director for farm records.
- Report any accidents, hazards or near-misses on the property to the Livestock Manager and/or Managing Director at the first available opportunity.
- Obtain the Managing Director's permission before posting photos of the property and animals hunted on social media.

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