



## **Club Constitution and Rules**

1. The syndicate is a club for the benefit of members.
2. The club is non-profit making all monies are used to develop the clubs aims.
3. The shooting involved is strictly walked up shooting, rough shooting or stalking for deer.
4. The committee is made up of chairman, secretary, treasurer.
5. You must give 48 hours notice prior to going to any land leased or owned.
6. All members of the club other than honourees and non-shooting members for whom BASC membership is voluntary, and shall become and remain during their membership of the syndicate be members of a suitable hunting insurance organisation in the appropriate discipline.
7. All members shall hold such licences and certificates as are required by current UK legislation in order to lawfully engage in the form of sport they intend to pursue.

8. No person shall be allowed to participate in any syndicate shooting activities unless he be a fully paid up subscribed member or unless he or she is an official guest of the owner, and such guest is approved by the owner. (Unrecorded guests are not covered under the terms of our insurance). and must provide suitable insurance on request.
9. No person shall be allowed to use any land over which the syndicate has shooting rights unless he is a fully subscribed member.
10. The clubs ruling shall be final in all respects relating to the running of the syndicate and from time to time, may make rules for the use and maintenance of the syndicate's property and land's.
11. The chairman and one elected member shall, on proof to his satisfaction, and in his absolute discretion, have the power to expel any member whom so ever, whose conduct (whether by act or omission), it considers to be contrary to the best interests of the syndicate or detrimental to the good name of the sport of shooting.
12. The member concerned should and will be given opportunity to appear before the chairman and a syndicate committee member to explain any alleged misconduct.
13. Under no circumstances whatsoever shall a member pass beyond the limits over which the syndicate has permission to shoot except to recover game or wild fowl on or over the club land and then only with the previous consent of the adjoining owner/occupier, in any such case members gun shall be left on our land area within the boundaries of land over which the syndicate has permission to shoot.
14. The shooting season shall be in accordance with current legislation in the UK.

15. Every member if engaged on any syndicate activity, shall carry a current signed membership card, in the case of a limited corporate membership card (organisation 2 persons minimum). Signed for and on behalf of the gun in use (prior notification 48 hours of person assigned corporate card to shoot). The member must produce his ID card on demand by any syndicate officer, owner, and member of the police, landowner or duly authorised person. The chairman will sign the club membership card also. And the member concerned, plus a good likeness passport photograph, or where a corporate entity supplies a corporate coat of arms, logo sign to be attached to the ID card. It is the member's responsibility to encapsulate the ID card prior to shooting ensuring it is waterproof.
  
16. Members dogs must be kept under strict control and not interfere with the sport of others on the shoot. All members must ensure that their dogs do not trespass or chase sheep or cattle.
  
17. Any member who is 7 days in arrears with his following years subscription may at the absolute discretion of the committee have his/her membership terminated- having first been given prior written notice.
  
18. It is the objective of the club to promote and protect the sport of Deer stalking walked up shooting, wild-fowling and rough shooting in particular. The member shall at all times do all possible to further the aims of the BASC.

19. The decision of the committee, on any matter not specifically provided for in the rules shall be final.
20. A copy of rules must be kept and a secondary copy signed and sent back with the members full name address and signature on to ensure that the member has read and understood the rules.
21. The club is affiliated and trade members of BASC .
22. A copy of your BASC membership card /certificate is required prior to shooting on any syndicate land.
23. The membership of the shoot shall not exceed a manageable limit includes full and probationary members or less subject to land availability within the syndicate, in addition to juniors, seniors, students, associate and supporter members
24. Anyone wishing to join the club must meet the criteria that the committee or the members in general meeting from time to time decide. Details of the current criteria are available from HO.
25. By virtue of the membership, all members of the shoot shall become, and remain during their membership, members of an appropriate hunting insurance operator whilst a club member in the appropriate category.
26. Every member must comply with the rules of the club and any infringement may result in the implementation of the clubs disciplinary procedures. The Executive Committee, on proof to its satisfaction and in its absolute discretion, shall have the power to expel any member whomsoever, whose conduct (whether by omission) it considers to be contrary to the best interests of the syndicate, or detrimental to the good name of the sport of shooting. This is subject to the members right of appeal.

27. If a member or ex-member (after 3 years) approaches any landowner and instigates the loss or compromises the loss of land within our syndicate he or his agent shall be liable for the full term of the lease in some cases 2-5 years and following year term payment will be required in full from that member or his agent, legal action will be instigated to recover the costs and fees paid to that particular landowner.
28. If you are dissatisfied with the package after joining you will have to wait until a new member is found to replace you, If you visit, stalk, rough shoot go to any lands after booking we are not liable for any form of refund, in the case of a legitimate refund we will deduct 12% for admin and re advertisement fee's, you may have to wait a month or 3 for any form of refund, and this is at the committees discretion and is without prejudice.
29. If any comments are found in the press or web forums and directed at the club you will not be entitled to a refund and a letter recorded delivery will be sent to you with such copy to prove or disprove you must reply within 7 days and the committee will make a decision on such comments and consider your position.
30. On either self termination of the club as a member or committee termination or refund all club items must be returned to HO within 7 days.
31. Any member caught using the incorrect ammunition, acting in a dangerous and improper manner while carrying weapons on our lands and or where a farmer reports an incident caused by a member, the member must write in and fully explain what he did on that day so we can discuss the matter with the farmer and landowners, land is precious and we need to have good working relationships with owners to ensure the club continues

## **Please see our general rules and member's benefits.**

### **General Rules of the Syndicate.**

No person shall be allowed to participate in any shooting unless he is a fully paid up member or unless he is a guest of the shoot in accordance with the guest day membership scheme.

Every member in any shoot shall carry a current membership card that is not transferable and must be produced on demand by any shoot officer, police officer or owner or lesser of shooting rights held by the shoot or their agent, or any other authorised person.

Every member shall hold such licences and certificates as may be required by the law for the kind of shooting or shoot activity that they are engaged in.

All shooting shall be conducted in accordance with legislation in force and any agreement, lease or licence validly entered into and agreed by the executive committee.

Members shall undertake to keep their dogs under strict control at all times and shall not allow them to cause a nuisance to the public, trespass or chase livestock or interfere with other member's shooting.

No member shall pass beyond the limits over which the shoot has permission to shoot except to recover game or wildfowl shot on or over the shoot's land and then only with the permission of the adjoining occupier, and in any case the members gun shall be left securely within the boundaries of the land over which the shoot is permitted to authorise shooting.

No member shall sell or engage in the sale of shot migratory wildfowl or cause others to sell such wildfowl on his/her behalf.

It is a condition of membership that every member shall make himself/herself available for such wardening duties and other work parties and shoot activities, as the executive committee shall reasonably decide for the better good of all the shoots.

It is a condition of membership that members shall report any contravention of these rules or any byelaws to the executive committee.

## **Members Benefits**

The member will have access to all rough shoots within his membership cost at no extra charge.

The member will receive appropriate discount from certain gun shops mail order companies and holidays abroad on production, or a copy of there membership card in general 10% -20% is saved.

Low cost walked up shoot days in selected areas where the club has put birds down for sport and fed and maintained such birds in the year currently free in membership.

Free training and instruction from the club.

Free gun dog training days.

Free paid access to over 33 wildfowl shoots limited within the UK and Northern Ireland list supplied limited in visits per annum per member.

Free safety advice.

Free CD and video library a £2.50 postal charge and return envelope charge will apply, member losing the CD or video will be charged at the appropriate rate to replace the item.

Six monthly news letter which brings you up to date with new land, legislation and any important news appertaining to the use of firearms.

## The Syndicate Member

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Post Code.

DOB \_\_\_\_\_

BASC certificate attached (copy) \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no \_\_\_\_\_Reason not attached.

I have read the above rules and syndicate regulations and will abide by these rules at all times, and assist and help the owner or other syndicate members to improve the shooting where practicable.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_