



Franklin County Archers Hunting Rules and Hunting Code of Ethics

- 1) All members must carry their signed membership cards for presentation when required.
- 2) No member is to hunt or stalk on property without the permission of the owner or occupier.
- 3) No member is to carry a bow on Crown Lands or National Parks or any other reserves without a permit from the appropriate authority.
- 4) All members are to see that camp fires are properly extinguished, and are to observe the greatest caution against starting accidental fires.
- 5) All huts and their contents must be left in a clean and orderly condition and a plentiful supply of firewood should be left for the next occupier. If possible, liquid or gas fuels should be carried and used instead. On leaving, perishable foods and scraps should be buried and not left to encourage vermin. Any supplies found in a hut must not be used except in the case of an emergency.
- 6) Care must be taken not to disturb stock. Members are requested to assist stock in distress. In serious cases the owner should be notified.
- 7) Members should become familiar with boundaries so as to avoid trespassing on land for which consent has not been obtained.
- 8) All gates should be left as they are found, whether open or shut.
- 9) In the desire to be sportsmanlike, all members shall endeavour to obtain a quick, clean kill and refrain from using equipment not suited to the game being hunted. In the same vein, members should ensure that they have the necessary shooting skills and accuracy before beginning to hunt.
- 10) A bow with a draw weight of 45 lb is the minimum weight recommended for taking big game animals.
- 11) As an indication of readiness to hunt, scoring in excess of 75% of the possible score on the unmarked lower – animal target faces - course is a good degree of proficiency.

12) Any animal, which is wounded, must be hunted down and killed. All members in the area must cease their own operations and give assistance. Only after the sincerest efforts have been made to trace the wounded animal should the chase be abandoned.

13) In the event of more than one member shooting an animal the first arrow to strike shall decide the claim.

14) All members must abide by the judicial laws of New Zealand as they apply to bow hunting.

HUNTING: Only truly wild/feral animals that are not being held in a reserve, sanctuary or farm situation may be considered fair game and taken as part of the various hunting activities of the club. Only animals taken and activities taking place in New Zealand will be considered for inclusion in the Club's structure. The Club's rules of fair chase and hunting code of ethics must always be adhered to. Hunting in general is an area of sensitive public debate and members should ensure that they uphold the highest possible standards and behaviour at all times so as not to bring either the Club or the sport into disrespect.

CLAIMS: All game taken and claimed as part of the Club's various hunting activities comes under the jurisdiction of the Club Hunts Master who has responsibility for the administration of the Club's whole hunting structure. Game taken must be claimed on the official Club claim forms.

CLAIM FORM: These must be filled in accurately and correctly or they may be disallowed. They must include full details of the person making the claim, the species taken, the area hunted, the date taken and any other relevant information. Both the member making the claim, and a witness who can verify the game was in fact taken appropriately must sign all claim forms. In the case of big game claims, a photograph of the claimed game taken as soon as possible after the kill must also accompany the form. In the case of junior members, it must be noted that a senior club member must be with them at all times during hunting activities and that that senior member is solely responsible for the junior throughout the hunt and for ensuring that claims are made accurately and appropriately. For all claims intended for entry in the Record Register an effort should also be made to provide an appropriate photograph.

The Hunts Master will present claims for new records to the Committee for verification and acceptance. Claims must be made within 30 days of the kill. They should be posted directly to the club's contact address, with the postal date stamp providing the 30-day deadline.

FRANKLIN COUNTY ARCHERS RULES OF FAIR CHASE

1. Game must not be restricted in any way that gives the bow hunter an unfair advantage. (EG: Mud, snow) Dogs may be used for small or large game as an indicator, but must not be used for holding bailing or restraining.
2. Big game shot with the use of projected artificial light can only be claimed as small game.
3. Game, other than fish, must not be shot from a powered vehicle, boat or aircraft.
4. Game must not be taken through the use of herding, driving or directing.
5. Game must not be protected nor held in game reserves, sanctuaries or game farms.
6. Game shall not be taken by the use of poison, explosive arrowheads, tranquilizers or the direct assistance of firearms.
7. The code of ethics applies at all times.

GAME CLAIM POINTS TABLES

Small Game Fish			
Kingfish (15KG Under)	10	Blue Cod	2
Shark (20Kg under)	10	Butterfly Fish	2
Dog Fish	8	Parore	2
Kahawai	8	Kelpfish	2
Snapper	8	Mackerel	2
Grass Carp	5	Rudd	2
Stingray (Under 20Kg)	5	Koi Carp	1
Barracuda	4	Eel	1
John Dory	3	Octopus	1
Mullet	3	Flounder	1
Trevally	3	Sole	1

Big Game		Small Game	
Thar	10	Pig (under 15 Kg)	10
Chamois	10	Ferret	8
		Stoat	8
Wapiti Deer	10	Weasel	8
Rusa Deer	10	Goat	5
Sambar Deer	10	Hare	5
Sika Deer	6	Wallaby (With Light)	5
Whitetail Deer	6	Rabbit	2
Fallow Deer	5	Possum	1
Red Deer	5		
		Crow	5
Pig (15Kg Plus)	5	Magpie	5
Wallaby (South Island)	2	Myna	2
Wallaby	1	Turkey	1
		Peacock	2
Kingfish (15Kg Plus)	4		
Stingray (20Kg Plus)	1		
Sharks (20Kg Plus)			
Tiger	7		
Blue	7		
School	3		
Seven Gill	3		
All Others	5		

N.B. For pigs the weight is to be the dressed weight (animal minus internals, but with head).

Please completed and Post Hard copy to The (Stand in) Hunts Master C/- J Gillette, 114 Bombay Rd, Bombay, Auckland, 2675. Make sure you have it signed by your witness and include a photo.



FRANKLIN COUNTY ARCHERS
NEW ZEALAND

FRANKLIN COUNTY ARCHERS GAME CLAIM FORM

	DESCRIPTION	LOCATION	DATE	WITNESS (NAME, SIGNATURE AND PHONE NUMBER)
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Applicants Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____ Claim No: _____

Only claims on official forms will be recognised. They must be received by the Game Recording Officer within 30 days of the kill.

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Date Received: _____

Date Ratified: _____

Points Awarded: _____

Award Won: _____

Claim No: _____

Hunts Master Signature: _____

(Claim number will be issued by the Huntsmaster)

Description Number Location Date Witness (Signature and Phone Number) Collected Y / N