

# UNAKA ROD & GUN CLUB, INC. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Annual Adult (18+, \$90) (Family Membership)

\_\_\_\_\_ Annual Senior (65+, \$50) \_\_\_\_\_ Life (\$900; \$500 if over age 64)

Interests: (check all that apply)

\_\_\_\_\_ Hunting \_\_\_\_\_ Rifle \_\_\_\_\_ Pistol \_\_\_\_\_ Skeet \_\_\_\_\_ Trap  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fishing \_\_\_\_\_ Archery \_\_\_\_\_ Conservation \_\_\_\_\_ Other (\_\_\_\_\_)

Have you completed the Unaka Rod & Gun Club Online New Member Orientation? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
Completion of the club's orientation is mandatory before submitting application.

Have you completed a Hunter education safety program? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
If yes, in what state? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of the National Rifle Association? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
(Membership in the NRA is not required for membership in Unaka Rod & Gun Club,  
but is strongly recommended.)

Please list other hunting, fishing, shooting, or conservation oriented clubs that you belong to and any official positions held.

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Have you ever been convicted of a game of fish law violation? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
If yes, attach details to your application.

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No  
If yes, attach details to your application.

Sponsoring Member: \_\_\_\_\_

I have attached payment for dues and insurance assessment. I understand that membership is contingent upon approval by the club's Board of Directors and I hereby certify that I have read, understood, and promise to abide by the club's rules as provided in this application.

Prospective Member's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*Mail your completed application, along with appropriate membership fees and signed copies of the attached "Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk for Gun Club Activities" and "Release of Liability for Gun Club Activities" to: Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc., P.O. Box 572, Johnson City, TN 37605-0572*

# Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk for Gun Club Activities

I understand and accept that gun club activities and the shooting sports expose me and my guests (including friends, family members, and non-club members) to numerous known and unanticipated risks which could result in personal injury, illness, death, or damage to people or personal property. Some of the risks or factors creating risk include, but are not limited to, the following:

- The forces of nature including lightning, weather changes, water level changes, and others not named.
- Hiking or walking in rugged terrain including slippery rocks, muddy fields, tree and brush-filled land with possible hidden man-made and natural hazards such as fallen or falling trees and fallen or falling rocks and other conditions not mentioned.
- Injuries inflicted by animals, insects, reptiles, or plants.
- Accidents or illness in a remote area without medical facilities.
- Accidents, injury, or illness associated with any building, storage facility, or structure in the land.
- Accidents or injury inflicted while transporting dangerous items associated with the shooting sports such as, but not limited to, firearms, ammunition, explosives, ammunition components, reloading supplies, targets, and target holders, and other items.
- Gunshot wounds inflicted intentionally or accidentally by other members, their guests, non-members, invitees, trespassers or others which may cause death or serious injury or damage.
- Gunshot wounds self-inflicted either intentionally or accidentally by the shooter upon himself which may cause death or serious injury or damage.
- Gunfire from outside the land owned and / or controlled by Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc., and impacting persons or property located on the land owned and/or controlled by Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc., which may cause death or serious injury or damage.
- Serious injury or death or property damage from flying clay targets from the skeet and trap houses.
- Gunshot wounds self-inflicted or inflicted by others while in an organized shooting activity such as skeet and trap leagues, silhouette matches, or black powder matches.
- Serious injury, dismemberment or death cause by loading, repairing, or operating electric, and mechanical clay target throwing machines and other devices.
- Serious injury, dismemberment, or death caused by loading, unloading, transporting, or other tasks associated with movement and handling of targets or range equipment whether on club owned or privately individual owned vehicles.
- Automobile accidents including, but not limited to, single-vehicle accidents on Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc., owned land accidents involving other vehicles owned and or operated by other members, their guests, invitees, non-members, trespassers and others.
- Travel in a vehicle not driven by me (read yourself).
- Water hazards associated with bodies of water and streams such as drowning, hypothermia, boulders, trees, wires, junk, trash, biological hazard exposure, chemical hazard exposure.
- Chemical and biological poisoning from all sources including wild games and fish taken from the Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc. land and other sources.
- Physical condition of me and my guests, family members, and the physical exertion associated with the shooting sports.
- First aid or emergency treatment that may be rendered by others in emergency situations on Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc. property.

In consideration for the benefits and advantages of being a member of Unaka Rod and Gun Club, Inc., I agree to accept and assume all responsibility for and risk of personal injury, illness, death or damage to myself or my property arising from my participation in this activity. My participation is voluntary; I choose to participate in spite of these named and other unnamed risks. I am solely responsible for deciding to engage in this activity and, while participating, for deciding whether to continue this activity.

I agree to obey all Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc. rules and regulations while participating in this activity and while on Unaka Rod and Gun Club, Inc., property. Failure to follow rules may cause my membership to be revoked. I have carefully read and understand this Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk. I also understand that I will be asked to read carefully, understand, and sign a separate Release of Liability.

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Prospective Member's Signature

Printed name

Date Signed

## Release of Liability for Gun Club Activities

I hereby acknowledge that I have read the acknowledgement and Assumption of risk and have agreed to its terms. I fully understand that there are certain elements of danger inherent in shooting sports activities and that participating in a recreational activity entails risk of loss of life, personal injury, and loss of or damage to property.

I understand and agree that the terms “shooting sports” as used herein encompass all aspects of the activity, including preliminary and subsequent matters such as, but not limited to, maintaining, repairing, and using firearms and other shooting equipment, use of the club pond, and travel to and from the Unaka Rod & Gun Club, inc. property.

In consideration of Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc., furnishing services, equipment, and land to enable me to participate in this activity, I hereby voluntarily release and forever discharge Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc., and its directors, officers, agents, and employees from any and all liability or claims for any injury, illness, death, or damage to myself or my property arising out of or in any way connected with my participation in this activity. This release and discharge specifically includes, but is not limited to, liability or claims based upon the negligent acts or omissions of Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc. or its officers, agents or employees.

I further agree, promise and covenant not to sue, assert or otherwise maintain any claim against Unaka Rod & Gun Club, Inc., or its officers, agents, or employees, for any illness, death, or damage to myself or my property arising from or in any way connected with my participation in this activity.

IN SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT, I FULLY RECOGNIZE THAT IF INJURY, ILLNESS, DEATH OR DAMAGE OCCURS TO ME WHILE I AM ENGAGED IN THIS ACTIVITY, I WILL HAVE NO RIGHT TO MAKE A CLAIM OR FILE A LAWSUIT AGAINST UNAKA ROD & GUN CLUB, INC. OR ITS DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, AGENTS, OR EMPLOYEES, EVEN IF THEY OR ANY OF THEM NEGLIGENTLY CAUSE MY INJURY, ILLNESS, DEATH OR DAMAGE.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTOOD ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

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Prospective Member's Signature

Printed Name

Date Signed

**Note:** Current general rules, as well as specific rules governing use of the Club's rifle/pistol range, trap & skeet ranges, archery range and pond are posted on the Club's website ([unakarodandgun.com](http://unakarodandgun.com)) under the home page tab “Facilities”. Please review these rules.