

Catto-Gage Ranch Hunting Rules

Welcome to the Catto-Gage Ranch. We hope everyone has a great hunt. The following rules are designed to keep you safe.

1. All hunters must sign a release of liability.
2. Minors are not permitted unless escorted by a parent or guardian.
3. All hunters must stay in their assigned locations. Your location will be described by the Ranch Manager.
4. Consumption of alcoholic beverages during a hunt is prohibited.
5. Most everyone has heard one tale or another about guns firing unexpectedly or when the safety is supposedly "on". Therefore, we abide by the following maxim:

A GUN IS ALWAYS LOADED.

No matter how many times you've checked, assume that the gun is loaded and ready to fire.

6. All guns must be on "safe" at all times until immediately prior to firing.
7. When in vehicles, the following **must** be adhered to:

Rifles: Only allowed in front seat, otherwise encased. No bullets chambered, safeties engaged, and bolt must be up in the unlocked position.

Shotguns: Unloaded-no shells in magazine or chamber. Safeties on. For semi-autos, chambers open. For over-under and side-side, gun broken.

Pistols: unloaded.

Absolutely no loaded guns of any kind in the backseat.

8. Never point a gun at anyone.
9. Neon vest or other colorful apparel must be worn when quail hunting.
10. No shooting out of a vehicle's windows.
11. Always carry a gun with both hands, barrel pointed to the sky or to the ground.
12. When moving barrel up or down, do so away from others.
13. Always enter a vehicle with muzzle pointed down; i.e. gun goes first then you.
14. Exit a vehicle before you take the gun and keep muzzle down until clear of people and car.
15. When crossing a fence, either (A) lay gun on ground (not against fence) then climb over or (B) hand gun to partner.
16. Never peer down a barrel unless firing pin removed.
17. Stand behind, not to the side of, the shooter.
18. No firearms allowed in the house.
19. Most importantly, we feel hunting is as much fun as it is dangerous.

Use your common sense!

The rule above all others is that the discretion and judgment of the Ranch Manager shall prevail in any situation. Access to the property for hunting is subject to each hunter properly executing a release of liability. We reserve the right to refuse access to the Ranch to anyone for any reason.