

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TO THE MONROE TOWNSHIP CONSERVATION CLUB

I hereby apply for membership to the Monroe Township Conservation Club, Inc., subject to its bylaws and regulations. I understand that I will be a responsible person and promote conservation, sportsmanship, and safety.

Name (please print all information clearly) _____

Current Address _____ City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____ Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

Hair color _____ Eye color _____ Height _____ Weight _____

Occupation _____ How long _____

Employer _____

Have you ever been convicted of, or are you under indictment, of a felony? _____

Have you ever been convicted of, or are you under indictment for a crime of domestic violence? _____

Have you ever been treated for alcoholism, substance abuse, or been adjudicated as mentally defective or committed to a mental institution? _____

Do you have a Handgun license? _____ Expiration date _____ License number _____

IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A HANDGUN LICENSE, YOU MUST PROVIDE A BACKGROUND CHECK, AT APPLICANT'S EXPENSE. REGARDLESS OF STATE LAWS ON FIREARM PERMITS, MONROE TOWNSHIP CONSERVATION CLUB REQUIRES A PERMIT, OR BACKGROUND CHECK.

I authorize the Monroe Township Conservation Club to investigate all statements in this application. I understand that misrepresentation or omission of requested facts is cause for denial of membership, or for membership at a future date.

Membership cost is 40.00 dollars for fully employed members, and 30.00 dollars for retired members. A 5.00 dollar application fee applies to all new members, or for those that did not renew their membership in the last year.

Denial of membership may result in forfeiture of the application fee. I understand that I have reviewed all club, range and safety rules, and that my signature below is acceptance of stated rules. I also understand that willful or accidental disregard of club, range, safety rules, or destruction of club property, may result in loss of membership, and annual dues, at the Monroe Township Conservation Club.

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

Monroe Township Conservation Club

Club Rules

General Club Rules

1. Membership – Your membership is a family membership. This membership applies to spouses and children under 18 years of age. This does not apply to extended family, or children over 18. The member must be present.
2. Please keep the club grounds free of litter. Anything transported to MTCC must be taken home when you leave.
3. When youth groups are using the grounds, all ranges will be closed. When the trap field is being used for club sponsored events, the rifle range/pistol range will be closed. When club meetings, work details or grounds maintenance, 4-H, Hunter Education class range day, are scheduled, all ranges will be closed.
4. Consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited on MTCC grounds. Empty containers and/or alcoholic beverage packaging should not be used for target materials.
5. Club Management or other members may ask to see proof of membership. You must be prepared to prove membership and identity.
6. Always lock the gate when entering or exiting club grounds. Do not leave the gate open for someone who is coming to the club later.
7. You may bring a guest with you, to introduce the guest to the club. Guests are not allowed to use club grounds for hunting purposes until they have their own membership.

Range Rules

1. Hearing and eye protection are **REQUIRED** on all shooting ranges.
2. When using the rifle/pistol range, all bullets must go into the dirt bank. Targets shot at less than 100 yards must be placed so that the bullets go into the dirt bank. If MTCC's target frames do not accommodate this, you must bring you own target frame.
3. While downrange, firearms are to be left at the firing line, unloaded, with the action open. **Absolutely no firearms are to be handled in any way, including muzzleloaders or loading magazines, while persons are downrange. Handling firearms while persons are downrange may be grounds for immediate removal from the club, and loss of membership.**
4. When going down range, be sure that other persons know of your intentions. Communication on the range is essential when more than one person is present.
5. Children under 18 must be accompanied to the range by an adult, and may not be left unattended at the firing line.
6. All target shooting, including shotgun slugs will be done on the rifle range. MTCC has a location for shooting shot-shells behind the storage barn. A target frame is provided. Any handguns shooting shot-shells must be used at the shotgun patterning range, and are not to be shot at the pistol target frames.

Trap shoots are held every Tuesday afternoon. All Tuesday trap shoots begin at 4 P.M., and last until complete, which is generally around 5:30 or 6:00 P.M.

7. Dangerous or illegal firearms, such as sawed-off shot guns or guns in poor condition are prohibited.
8. MTCC requires that State and Federal laws pertaining to the use and carry of firearms, are followed on club grounds.
9. No glass, rocks, concrete or other hard target materials are to be used. Steel targets made for that purpose are allowed, so long as they are placed at the base of a dirt bank, and bullets will not skip out of the club grounds.
10. Full automatic firearms, including those that are selectable, are strictly prohibited.
11. All hang-fires must be kept pointed down range for at least ten seconds.
12. Black powder must be covered when not being poured.
13. Handgun shooters must exercise great care when shooting and handling handguns. Muzzle blast and shavers can be dangerous to persons on the line.
14. **50 BMG caliber firearms are not allowed.** (50 caliber pistols and muzzle-loaders are permitted)
15. No shooting before sunrise or after sunset. **No shooting allowed before 9 a.m. on Saturday or Sunday.**
16. When shooting semi-automatic firearms, please be mindful of other shooters and their property. Hot brass can be dangerous or damaging to other firearms. Consider the use of a brass catcher or other device to keep brass off of other shooters.
17. Drawing holstered handguns to shoot rapidly is not allowed.
18. No smoking on the rifle range.
19. Leave the club grounds in better condition than when you arrived. MTCC is a completely volunteer organization, and needs your help to maintain a nice facility.

Hunting Rules

1. **No tree stands of any kind are to be used on MTCC property.**
2. If you are hunting on club property, park on club property so that other members are aware of your presence. If you are hunting off of club property, park there.
3. Clearing of trees or brush is prohibited, unless permission is given by club management.
4. **Deer Hunting**-Anyone member wishing to hunt deer on club property must register to do so. Members may register, beginning at the August club meeting for dates and times. The number of dates members may register for is up to club management discretion and is limited to two hunters per day.
5. Hunting privileges are reserved for members only.
6. As a courtesy to the club, please notify MTCC of game taken from the club grounds.

Remember to be courteous to your fellow shooters. If someone points out a dangerous situation or unsafe range conduct, thank them, and correct the mistake.

Willful disregard of club and or range rules may lead to loss of membership. Some rules may vary when club organized activities are taking place, and range safety officers are present.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In consideration of the risk of injury while participating in Shooting Sports and Fire Arms (the "Activity"), and as consideration for the right to participate in the Activity, I hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns, or personal representatives, knowingly and voluntarily enter into this waiver and release of liability and hereby waive any and all rights, claims or causes of action of any kind whatsoever arising out of my participation in the Activity, and do hereby release and forever discharge Monroe Township Conservation Club, located at 2400 East County Road 700 South, Muncie, Indiana 47302, their affiliates, managers, members, agents, attorneys, staff, volunteers, heirs, representatives, predecessors, successors and assigns, for any physical or psychological injury, including but not limited to illness, paralysis, death, damages, economical or emotional loss, that I may suffer as a direct result of my participation in the aforementioned Activity, including traveling to and from an event related to this Activity.

I am voluntarily participating in the aforementioned Activity and I am aware of the risks associated with traveling to and from as well as participating in this Activity, which may include, but are not limited to, physical or psychological injury, pain, suffering, illness, disfigurement, temporary or permanent disability (including paralysis), economic or emotional loss, and death. I understand that these-injuries or outcomes may arise from my own or others' negligence, conditions related to travel, or the condition of the Activity location(s). Nonetheless, I assume all related risks, both known or unknown to me, of my participation in this Activity, including travel to, from and during this Activity.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless Monroe Township Conservation Club against any and all claims, suits or actions of any kind whatsoever for liability, damages, compensation or otherwise brought by me or anyone on my behalf, including attorney's fees and any related costs, if litigation arises pursuant to any claims made by me or by anyone else acting on my behalf. If Monroe Township Conservation Club incurs any of these types of expenses, I agree to reimburse Monroe Township Conservation Club.

I acknowledge that Monroe Township Conservation Club and their directors, officers, volunteers, representatives and agents are not responsible for errors, omissions, acts or failures to act of any party or entity conducting a specific event or activity on behalf of Monroe Township Conservation Club.

I acknowledge that this Activity may involve a test of a person's physical and mental limits and may carry with it the potential for death, serious injury, and property loss. The risks may include, but are not limited to, those caused by terrain, facilities, temperature, weather, lack of hydration, condition of participants, equipment, vehicular traffic and actions of others, including but not limited to, participants, volunteers, spectators, coaches, event officials and event monitors, and/or producers, of the event and lack of hydration.

In the event that I should require medical care or treatment, I agree to be financially responsible for any costs incurred as a result of such treatment. I am aware and understand that I should carry my own health insurance.

In the event that any damage to equipment or facilities occurs as a result of my or my family's willful actions, neglect or recklessness, I acknowledge and agree to be held liable for any and all costs associated with any actions of neglect or recklessness.

This Agreement was entered into at arm's-length, without duress or coercion, and is to be interpreted as an agreement between two parties of equal bargaining strength. Both the Participant, _____, and Monroe Township Conservation Club agree that this Agreement is clear and unambiguous as to its terms, and that no other evidence will be used or admitted to alter or explain the terms of this Agreement, but that it will be interpreted based on the language in accordance with the purposes for which it is entered into.

In the event that any provision contained within this Release of Liability shall be deemed to be severable or invalid, or if any term, condition, phrase or portion of this agreement shall be determined to be unlawful or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of this agreement shall remain in full force and effect, so long as the clause severed does not affect the intent of the parties. If a court should find that any provision of this agreement to be invalid or unenforceable, but that by limiting said provision it would become valid and enforceable, then said provision shall be deemed to be written, construed and enforced as so limited.

In the event of an emergency, please contact the following person(s) in the order presented:

<u>Emergency Contact</u>	<u>Contact Relationship</u>	<u>Contact Telephone</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

I, the undersigned participant, affirm that I am of the age of 18 years or older, and that I am freely signing this agreement. I certify that I have read this agreement, and that I fully understand its content. I am aware that this is a release of liability and a contract and that I am signing it of my own free will.

Participant's Name: _____

Participant's Address: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

PARENT/ GUARDIAN WAIVER FOR MINORS

In the event that the participant is under the age of consent (18 years of age), then this release must be signed by a parent or guardian, as follows:

I hereby certify that I am the parent or guardian of _____, named above, and do hereby give my consent without reservation to the foregoing on behalf of this individual.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Relationship to Minor: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____