HUNTING BEST PRACTICES & GUIDELINES ON PELEE

Hunting on Pelee Island is a unique experience. Hunters from all over the world come to enjoy the Annual Pheasants Hunts and has become a tradition for many people on and off the Island. After reaching out to landowners and speaking with many hunters, we have developed a set of best practices and guidelines to follow, to assist both hunters and landowners in having a safe and enjoyable hunt.

- **New in 2017** - hunters will be required to wear their licenses on their person while hunting. Plastic holders will be provided free of charge with the purchase of your license (fee of $1 will apply to replace lost holders);

- **HUNTING NEAR THE SCHOOL IS PROHIBITED AND CONSIDERED A VERY SERIOUS OFFENCE.** Help us keep our children safe, watch for signs and keep an appropriate distance;

- Hunters are asked to please respect any areas that are posted as NO HUNTING OR NO TRESPASSING, especially in residential areas;

- Hunting in standing crops (soybeans and winter wheat on Pelee), is against Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry regulations, and can be detrimental to the agricultural community on Pelee. Landowners are asked to post NO HUNTING or NO TRESPASSING signs if they do not want activity in close proximity to their fields or along their hedgerows, this will assist hunters choosing acceptable areas to hunt;

- Pelee Island Pheasant Farm staff will also monitor release areas to concentrate birds in areas where crops have already been removed and in areas that are more conducive for hunting;

- Release maps will outline where birds are located, and environmentally sensitive areas that are restricted from hunting. Any other areas not permitted for hunting will be posted on site by individual landowners.

- While hunting, if a bird drops in a standing crop, it is recommended to have the hunter retrieve the bird, instead of a dog to reduce any potential damage to standing crops, while following Ministry of Natural Resource and Forestry regulations.