

Sportsman's Hunt Club Rules 2018-19

General Rules

1. The Sportsman's Hunt Club has acquired hunting and fishing rights for the leases identified on our website at www.okcsportsmans.com. Access and privileges for these properties are limited to the signed lease agreement for that property and these rules. In case of doubt of any right or privilege, please contact the Lease Representative or a Member of the Board Directors. Do not trespass or hunt on any land not included in our leases, even if not fenced or posted. In case of doubt as to the limits of our lease, do not hunt the area until checking with the Lease Representative. See lease maps for additional information. It is your responsibility to know and stay within the lease boundaries at all times.
2. **ALL STATE AND FEDERAL GAME LAWS MUST BE OBEYED.** Any Member found guilty of violating game laws on Sportsman's Club leases shall be subject to review by the Ethics Committee.
3. A Member and guest, including non-hunting individuals, must sign-in each day before entering the lease and sign-out when leaving. The sign-in book is at or near the lease entrance or landowner house.
4. **Club Members are responsible and liable for any injury, accidents or damage in which they or their guests are involved while on leases. Members are encouraged to check their personal liability coverage.**
5. **Hunting or the use of any weapon on leases or club land while impaired by mind altering drugs or alcohol is prohibited!!**
6. Members and guests are representatives of the Sportsman's Club and will conduct themselves in an ethical, respectful, courteous and sportsmanlike manner while on leases. The Club ultimately benefits from good relationships and remaining in good standing with the lease owners and the public. Lease users shall be courteous to the land owners, their families, employees, and the public. Lease users shall comply with any reasonable request which may occur on the lease.
7. **Use of off Road Vehicles (ORV)** for recreational purposes is not permitted on any lease. ORVs may be used for **large game retrieval and deer stand/feeder placement only if specifically approved under a lease's special rules. Otherwise, ORVs are to remain on designated roads. During Deer Seasons, ORVs may not be operated during peak hunting times. Peak hunting times are from one hour before sunrise till two**

hours after sunrise and from two hours before sunset till 30 minutes after sunset. Individual leases may be more restrictive. See individual lease rules.

8. Leases may be temporarily closed or hunting days limited if deemed warranted by the Board of Directors. .
9. Club leases are for **hunting and fishing only**. Any other activity must have written permission from the Lease Representative.
10. Club rules are determined by the Sportsman's Hunt Club. The land owner is not allowed by contract to grant exceptions to Members who might request special privileges, DO NOT ASK.
11. No Member or guest may use Hunt Club facilities for any type of personal economic, commercial or other type of gain.
12. Do not throw or bury trash on leases. **DISPOSE OF TRASH OFF THE LEASE**. Field dressing of large game such as deer may be done on Club leases provided remains are disposed of properly.
13. Gates on leases shall be left in the position found when entering or leaving leases, unless the Lessor indicates otherwise. If uncertain, close and lock gates.
14. Members and guests shall exercise every caution to prevent fires. **DO NOT BUILD ANY FIRES** unless permitted by landowner.
15. All members shall comply with any special rules required by the Lessor as outlined in the lease agreement entered into by the owner and the Sportsman's Club. Special rules are indicated on each **LEASE DESCRIPTION**.
16. Entry into leased premises shall be made through existing gates only. No hunting is allowed from vehicles, either on interior lease roads or public roads adjacent to the leased premises. **NO OFF ROAD DRIVING**.
17. Members are allowed to use private stands and blinds on Club leases at their own risk and the user is responsible for any accidents or injuries that might occur. Members using tree stands are strongly encouraged to use a safety harness because of safety and liability issues. The Sportsman's Club does not endorse the use of tree stands. Placement of a stand or blind does **NOT** reserve a hunting area and members may hunt the area and use any unoccupied stand or blind on a first

come first serve basis. **THE SPORTSMAN'S CLUB IS NOT LIABLE FOR ACCIDENTS OR INJURIES.**

18. Stands, blinds and feeders are required to have the owner's name, membership number and phone number on them.

19. Locks to stands or blinds should only be with a combination lock with the lease combination.

20. Elevated stands/blinds are permitted on leases from August 1 to February 28. They are required to be removed from the lease by February 28.

21. Feeders are not permitted on leases from March 16 to May 7.

22. There are no Club owned feeders. Members may use private feeders subject to required rules regarding hunting over bait. Placement of a private feeder does NOT guarantee a reservation for the area of the feeder and the area is available to any Member on a first come first serve basis.

23. SCOUTING is permitted from February 16 to April 5 and May 7 to September 30. Reservations are required for scouting.

24. Use of a drome over or on a lease requires a scouting reservation for the lease area being flown over. The drome is to stay in the reserved area. Drome use is not allowed if other hunters are present on the lease area without their consent. Dromes are not allowed during deer and turkey seasons. Drome flyers are subject to state and federal rules, laws and regulations.

26. Each Member is expected to perform a Work Day each calendar year or be assessed \$100.00 in January of the following year. Hunting the opening or closing weekend of muzzleloader or rifle deer season requires an addition workday at Jet.

27. A member may do an extra work day and be allowed to take a guest for one day of hunting or fishing.

28. Members are required to notify Sportsman's Hunt Club office, in writing, to request termination of membership. This can be by email to:

administration@sportsmanscc.com

or regular mail to: P.O. Box 7438, Edmond, OK 73083-7438.

DISABILITY POLICY

1. Any member with restricted physical mobility may use ORVs on leases with the possession of a non-ambulatory or motor vehicle permit.

2. Only a non-ambulatory hunter with a motor vehicle permit may hunt from a vehicle, this is an Oklahoma Regulation.
3. A vehicle or ORV may be used to deliver the member to a blind/hunting position within 25 yards of a lease road.
4. The use of a vehicle or ORV will follow the Club rules for hours of operation.
5. A non-hunting partner may assist the member without visit limits for the assisting individual. The non-hunting partner will sign-in as a non-hunter and use the number for the disabled Member.
6. A non-hunting partner staying in a lease lodge will be charged a lodge fee.

MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

1. Hunting membership is restricted to individuals 21 years of age and older who are Members of the SPORTSMAN'S CLUB.
2. Hunting membership includes the Member and Family Members. The term Family Members refers to (1) a spouse, (2) the children of the Member or spouse under the age of 25 and (3) grandchildren under the age of 19. All other persons shall be deemed to be guests of the Member and must be accompanied by the Member.
3. Underage Family Members (<19) or guests must be accompanied and/or closely supervised by an adult Member of the Hunt Club who will accept responsibility for their actions. Family Members and guests must be engaged in the same activity as the Member. Family members over 18 may make their own reservations.
4. If a Member, Family Member or their guest should act in an unsportsmanlike manner, membership may, after due process, be suspended or terminated without refund by action of the Ethics Committee.
5. All Members of the Hunt Club when on a Club lease, **MUST HAVE IN THEIR POSSESSION A HUNT CLUB BADGE OR CARD**. Guests are required to be escorted by a club Member and have a reservation number. **A CLUB IDENTIFICATION TAG MUST BE DISPLAYED IN PLAIN VIEW IN THE WINDSHIELD AREA OF ANY VEHICLE WHEN ON A LEASE.**
6. Only current Members will be permitted to use a lease.

7. Members shall display their Hunt Club badge or card and driver's license to any other Member, Lessor, State Game Ranger or Federal Wildlife Officer upon request.
8. Badges or cards shall not be loaned or borrowed. Penalty is loss of hunting privileges.
9. A Member's underage Family Member may apply within 90 days after their 25th birthday or graduation from college for a Hunt Club Membership. Payment for dues and initial fees must accompany the application. They will immediately be accepted ahead of those on the Hunt Club waiting list. If acceptance exceeds the membership limit, they will fill the next vacancy. If the underage Family Member fails to apply within 90 days, the application will be considered according to normal procedure.

ENFORCEMENT OF RULES

1. The Hunt Club has many unreported and undetected rules violations that affect the quality of hunting and landowner relations. Some are serious enough or frequent enough to threaten a lease. This can only be controlled through cooperation of members who witness violations while they are on the lease and are willing to document and testify to infractions. The Ethics Committee is willing to identify and discipline Members who ignore club rules. Members are urged to contact the Lease Representative at any time they encounter other Members who are in violation of Club Rules. **ACTION WILL BE TAKEN.**
2. Each Member has a responsibility to help police Club leases. If a Member has doubts concerning other persons on a lease, they are encouraged to ask that person for a badge or card and ID.
3. Any rules violation or unsportsmanlike conduct on any lease shall be reported in writing to the Lease Representative or any Member of the Board of Directors as soon as possible, giving pertinent information such as date, time, place, badge number, witnesses, pertinent photos, etc. The Ethics Committee has the authority to investigate complaints and administer after due process disciplinary measures up to and including suspension or termination. The Member charged will be notified and allowed to respond. A member may appeal a disciplinary ruling by the Ethics Committee by applying for a hearing before the Board of Directors.
4. The Ethics Committee will consist of the Rules Director as chair and four Lease Representatives.

5. A member under suspension or who has been expelled cannot use Club leases for any activity.
6. Major rule violations include:
 - a. Violation of State and/or Federal Laws or Regulations.
 - b. Incidents that threatened Life or Body Injury.
 - c. Incidents with a Land Owner or Leaser that threatens the viability of that lease.
 - d. Trespassing on or off a leased property. Being on a lease without a reservation is trespassing.
 - e. Failing to display the Sportsman's Vehicle Identification Tag on the dashboard or windshield area of your vehicle.
 - f. Repeated minor violations will be dealt with as a major violation.
7. Minor rule violations include:
 - a. Failure to enter a reservation number.
 - b. Failure to sign-in or sign-out of a lease.
 - c. Failure to enter a harvest report.
 - d. Failure to wear your Sportsman's membership badge while on a lease.

GUEST POLICY

1. No Member can have more than 5 non-family guest reservations per year. EXCEPTION: fishing, predator and hog hunting guests may be taken without counting toward the 5 guest limit. No single individual non-family guest may hunt or fish Club leases more than 3 days per year.
2. A Guest Fee will be charged for all guests INCLUDING NON-HUNTING AND FISHING GUESTS unless special permission is obtained.
3. Members may take Member Family Guests and not count them toward guest limitations. Member Family Guests include sons, daughters, sons-in-law and daughters-in-law over age 24. No individual Member Family Guest may be taken more than 5 times per year without special permission from the Club President or the appropriate individual Director in the absence of the Club President.
4. Names of General Guests are to be recorded on the website by the member or given to the office at the time of reservation. The office must be contacted to add any new Family Members or Family Member Guests and will run an online report each month to bill the member for guest fees acquired during the month.

5. **GUEST FEES** are as follows:

- a. Deer Doe and Turkey = \$125/day
Youth Fee and Family Guest = \$62.50/day
- b. Quail, Pheasant and Hog = \$75/day.
Youth Fee (<19 yrs) and Family Guest = \$37.50/day
- c. All other hunt guests = \$50.00/day
Youth Fee and Family Guest = \$25.00/day
- d. Fishing = \$20/day
Youth and Family Guest = \$10/day

6. **Lodge Fees**

- a. Lodge Fee is \$10/night for Members, Family, Family Member Guests and Non-Family Hunting Guests..
- b. Lodge Fee for non-hunting non-family guest = \$20/day
- c. No Lodge Fees for Members, Family Member Guests or Hunting Guests at the Jet Lodge.

7. **Lodge Rules for All Club Provided Facilities**

- a. Put trash only in trash receptacles and take your trash with you
- b. No smoking inside the facility
- c. No loaded firearms inside the facility
- d. Keep the facility clean, i.e. no muddy/wet shoe etc.
- e. No animals inside the facility
- f. The Jet Lodge has additional rules posted at that facility

8. Special circumstances warranting exceptions may be obtained with approval of the Club President. The appropriate Director involved may give approval in the absence of the Club President.

9. Hunt Club Members may take guests on any lease except where specifically restricted. Non-family guests **will not be permitted** on the first seven days of waterfowl, quail, turkey (spring and fall) and archery deer seasons. Non-family guests **will not be permitted** the first period of the Muzzleloader and the Gun Deer seasons. **Non-family guests may not harvest an antlered buck deer.** Non-family guests may be taken during the first 7 days of dove and crane seasons.

10. Up to 2 guests may be taken by one Member when allowed and they must be engaged in the same hunting or fishing activity. Guests must be accompanied at all times by the Member. The Member is responsible for guest behavior. Members not declaring guests shall be dealt with by the Ethics Committee.

RESERVATIONS

1. Reservations can be made online at the website 2 weeks in advance.
2. Hunt results should be recorded online within 2 weeks after the hunt or fishing.
3. New reservations cannot be made until harvest results of the last hunt or fishing activity are recorded.
4. Failure to record your results may be grounds for referral to the Ethics Committee.

CANCEL RESERVATIONS

1. **IF YOU HAVE MADE RESERVATION AND CAN NOT GO, IT IS MANDATORY THAT YOU CANCEL PRIOR TO OR ON THE SCHEDULED DATE.**
2. Reservations may be cancelled by calling the Club Office (405-696-6343) at any time on a 24-hour basis. Cancellations will be recorded on voice mail after office hours and the reservation will be open to other Members immediately after the office opens.
3. If it is necessary to cancel a Guest Reservation, it must be cancelled prior to or on the day of the activity or the Member will be responsible for the Guest Fee.
4. **THE VOICE MAIL SERVICE IS FOR CANCELLATIONS ONLY AND DOES NOT INCLUDE MAKING RESERVATIONS.**
5. **THE HUNT COMMITTEE CONSIDERS IMPROPER CANCELLATION OF RESERVATIONS AND IMPROPER GUEST RESERVATION AN UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT AND A VIOLATION OF CLUB RULES.**
6. **The Board of Directors monitors** reservations and cancellations. If a Member ignores or abuses cancellation or guest policy, the Member will be contacted by the Ethics Committee. If warranted, the Member may be brought before the Ethics Committee. The Ethics Committee has authority to assess an appropriate penalty, **including revocation of hunting privileges.**
7. **ANYONE ON A LEASE WITHOUT A RESERVATION AND RESERVATION NUMBER IS CONSIDERED TO BE TRESPASSING AND IN SUBJECT TO**

STATE TRESPASSING LAWS. An exception would be a NON-HUNTING PARENT accompanying a hunting youth in a youth only season.

DEER HUNTING RULES

1. No predator or hog hunts may be scheduled during deer season. During deer season, predators and hogs may be taken by the weapon for that season but are not to be pursued.
2. The Hunt Committee has a prime objective of utilizing deer hunting opportunities to the fullest and providing opportunities for all Members to have **SAFE AND QUALITY DEER HUNTING**. To help insure these goals, specific rules and reservation requirements have been implemented. **ALL DEER HUNTERS ARE REQUIRED TO NOTE THE AREA THEY INTEND TO HUNT IN THE SIGN-IN BOOK WHEN THEY ENTER THE LEASE. BE AS SPECIFIC AS YOU CAN TO AVOID CONFLICTS IN THE FIELD.** Remember, if any stand or blind is occupied when you approach it, move to another area to hunt.
3. Leases which permit deer hunting can be reserved 2 weeks in advance for the Archery season. Gun and Muzzleloader firearms deer hunting will initially be by drawing for designated hunts. All left over slots will be processed like all other reservations.
4. Any Hunt Club Member of a hunting group may accompany any Member of that group as a NON-HUNTING participant AFTER they have harvested their deer limit during their draw reservation period. **THEY MAY NOT CARRY A FIREARM.**
5. **A Member with a draw reservation and finishes their hunt should not cancel the rest of that hunt.** Fill out the harvest report for the unused days. **THE REMAINING DAYS IN THE PERIOD WILL NOT BE FILLED.**
6. **MEMBERS MUST RECORD THE SEX OF THEIR DEER HARVEST IN THE SIGN-IN BOOK.**
7. If a hunter elects to move to another area, they must go online or call the office, file a hunt report for the area hunted and then reserve another area with open hunting slots.
8. **GUN AND MUZZLELOADER FIREARMS DEER DRAWING PROCEDURE.** The drawing will be conducted at a designated time for both seasons. Separate applications are required for each season. A list of leases is available on the application form and on a separate attachment. An application can be submitted for a hunt period to include an individual Member, Family Member and a

Maximum of 2 Family Member Guests. Non-Family Guests are allowed after the first hunting period, NOT TO EXCEED THE ALLOWABLE NUMBER OF HUNTERS ON THE LEASE. NO HUNTER IS ALLOWED TO APPEAR ON MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION. Any application turned in after 7 pm on the designated day will not be included in the drawing. Hunters attending the drawing with a completed application will draw a number. Applicants with the lowest completed number will have first choice, highest number the last choice. GROUP HUNTS will submit one application and draw one number for the group for each season. Hunters who CAN NOT ATTEND the drawing can participate in the drawing by completing an application and submitting it to the Club Office prior to the day of the drawing. The draw results will be posted by the hunter on the application. MEMBERS MAY RESERVE UNUSED HUNT PERIODS AFTER THE DRAWS ARE COMPLETED. MEMBERS MAY NOT RESERVE MORE THAN 3 DAYS AT A TIME FOR EACH SEASON. Member Draw hunts do not count as a reservation.

9. Jet deer hunts the opening and closing weekends of muzzleloader and rifle deer seasons are only available to members/family members who have done a work day (or paid the \$100) and done a workday at Jet.
10. **NON-FAMILY GUESTS MAY NOT HARVEST AN ANTLERED BUCK DEER UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.**
11. During Deer Rifle Season, no Detachable Magazine should be able to hold more than 5 shells.
12. See General Rules number 20 and 21 concerning feeders and elevated stands/blinds. On DOK lease Area 1, no blind or stand is to be within 25 yards of the Wildlife Area fence.

TURKEY HUNTING RULES

1. No predator or hog hunts may be scheduled during Turkey season. During Turkey season, predators, hogs and non-game species may be taken by the weapon for that season. Hogs or predators are not to be pursued during Turkey Season.
2. Limits for turkey are the same as the state. Make sure you know the state regulations that are valid for the county that you are hunting.

3. The maximum number of hunters per day must not be exceeded on any lease. See lease descriptions for total number of hunters allowed.
4. Members may accompany another Member, Family Member or Guest on a lease after they have harvested their limit as a sponsor/supervisor and do not occupy a hunting space on a lease that another Member may use. **THEY MAY NOT CARRY A WEAPON.** The presence of the non-hunting Member will **NOT** be counted toward the maximum number of hunters on the lease. A Member who has harvested their limit must accompany a Family Member or guest as a non-hunter for the duration of the reservation period.
5. Rifles of approved caliber in Wildlife Department Hunting Regulations may be used for fall turkey season.
6. Turkey may not be hunted or taken within 100 yards or the state regulation distance of any bait. Feed or bait may not be scattered or placed on any club land or lease after March 16. **ANY FEEDERS or elevated stands/blinds FOUND ON A LEASE DURING TURKEY SEASON MAY BE REMOVED AND TURNED IN TO THE Board of Directors.**

SMALL GAME HUNTING

Small game may be hunted during appropriate Oklahoma seasons with no specific hunting for small game during deer or turkey seasons.

NON-GAME HUNTING RULES

1. Reservations for non-game (predator and hog) hunting will **NOT BE ACCEPTED** during turkey and deer seasons. During Quail season, with the exception of DOK and Posey leases, a hunter may make a reservation to predator/hog hunt no earlier than 24 hours prior to the planned hunt when no existing quail reservations have been made for that lease. Members wishing to predator/hog hunt DOK and Posey leases may do so following normal reservation procedures. Hunters may harvest non-game, if encountered during any open regular hunting season by whatever weapons legal during that season.
2. Nocturnal Hog and Raccoon Hunts are made through the lease representative. Raccoon Hunts are only available on the Duncan Lease and Nocturnal Hog Hunts are only available on the Duncan and Wagon Leases. Contact the lease representative at least 48 hours ahead of your planned hunt. The nocturnal hunter(s) are responsible to abide by all state laws/regulations and rules. Any

applicable guest fees will be charged. Hunter(s) must have written permission from the applicable lease representative to participate in any nocturnal hunt.

FISHING RULES

1. The Hunt Club does not retain exclusive fishing rights on all leases. Members are urged to respect the rights of guests and friends of the landowner who also fish on the premises. See the information on each lease.
2. Reservations are necessary to fish on all leases. Reservations can be made on line.
3. Fishing is allowed except during Rifle or Muzzleloader Deer Seasons.

JET AREA RULES

1. All reservations for bunks at the Jet Lodge must be made through the reservation system or Club office. Hunters desiring to stay past their reservations must make additional reservations through the reservation system or call the Club office to determine if the reservation can be extended. No reservations can be made more than 14 days in advance. Member non-family guests not using Club leases may have overnight privileges if available and will be charged \$20 per night.
2. **ALL Members must sign-in the registration book at the lodge upon arriving.** Please include name, badge number, reservation number, guests, time of arrival and proposed nights to stay. Sign-out when leaving. This information will help know who is and isn't at the Lodge should an emergency arise or phone calls be received. The list for drawing pits/blinds will be made from the registration book.
3. Members not desiring to hunt in the pits/blinds they have drawn and who wish to wait for another pit/bind to vacate, may register on the waiting list at the Goose Lodge.
4. Transfer of pits/blinds can be made only by checking out of your assigned pit/blind at the Goose Lodge. Pits/blinds to be vacated must be checked out of at the Goose Lodge so that they may be assigned to Members on the waiting list. Members on the waiting list must be in the Lodge ready to hunt or they will lose their priority on the waiting list.
5. Goose and duck pits/blinds may be held only by Hunt Club Members who shall have priority over all guests other than a draw by a designated individual.

6. Good sportsmanship dictates, especially when crowded, that when hunters get their limit of dark geese from a particular productive pit/blind, they should release their pit/blind and cease hunting waterfowl for the day or take an unused pit/blind.
7. Goose hunting on the Club owned goose field shall be within the pits provided, conditions permitting.
8. **CONSUMPTION OF LIQUOR OR BEER IN THE BLINDS IS PROHIBITED.**
Excessive drinking at the Lodge is discouraged.
9. **DOGS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE BUNKHOUSE.** If your dog is disruptive, you may be asked to remove or tether the dog.
10. Members and guests are expected to keep the kitchen, house and bunk house clean at all times.
11. See the Deer Hunting Rules for deer hunting at Jet.
12. The Pond Hunting Tower on Goose Haven is available on the same bases as drawing for a goose pit. Special regulations apply to those using the Pond Hunting Tower.
 - a. The individual(s) using the Pond Hunting Tower are to be in the Tower by one (1) hour before sunrise and enter the Tower by the designated route wearing rubber boots.
 - b. Individual(s) in the Pond Hunting Tower are to remain in the Tower until at least two (2) hours after sunrise and leave by the designated route.
 - c. Individuals(s) using Pond Hunting Tower in the afternoon should be in the Tower at least two (2) hours before sunset and enter by the designated route wearing rubber boots.
 - d. Individual(s) using Pond Hunting Tower in the afternoon should remain in the Tower until one-half hour after sunset and leave by the designated route.

WATERFOWL RULES

1. Many leases other than the Jet Area have ponds and habitat which provide opportunities for waterfowl hunting. Reservations are made online or through the Club Office as other hunting reservations.
2. During rifle deer season, a waterfowl reservation may be made within 24 hours of your hunt if no deer hunting reservation has been made for that lease area. The maximum number of hunters is identified in the individual lease rules.

3. Hunters may use private blinds on leased and Club lands subject to the rules for blinds.
4. Permanent blinds may NOT be constructed without permission of the Landowner and the Lease Representative.
5. Hunters are required to pick up all decoys at the conclusion of each hunt day.
6. Certain bodies of water on leases may be designated as a roost area. No hunting will be allowed on these bodies of water after 2 pm. See the individual lease rules to see if a body of water has been designated as a roost.

QUAIL HUNTING RULES

1. Quail hunting is permitted on all leases and subject to the reservation and sign-in procedures, club rules and individual lease rules.
2. There shall be no commercial training of bird dogs or field trials on any Club leased property without permission of the club President or Lease Representative, in the absence of the Club President..
3. Training or conditioning of hunting dogs is not permitted on Club leases during the off-season.

All leases will be closed for the first weekend Saturday and Sunday of Deer Rifle Season. Quail Hunt reservations may be made during Deer Gun Season if there are NO deer hunt reservations made on the lease 24 hours prior to your quail hunt.

4. If your dog leaves a lease and you go to retrieve the dog, do not take your gun.
5. A quail hunting reservation may be made for two consecutive days: 2 days on one lease or one day on 2 separate leases.
6. You may not quail hunt more than 2 days per calendar month on any single lease with a limit of 8 birds per day.
7. The Game Committee suggests that Quail Hunting stop at 4 pm to allow the quail to covey-up for the night.

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