## **HUNTER'S CODE OF ETHICS**

- 1. I will consider myself as an invited guest of the landowner on whose land I hunt and will conduct myself in ways that I will be welcome in the future.
- 2. I will recognize the rights and privileges of others sharing the same lands and waters that I hunt upon.
- 3. I will learn to identify the animals I hunt, their habits and habitats.
- 4. I will recognize and appreciate the fragile nature of the outdoor environment and treat it and the animals I hunt with respect, engaging only in fair chase and focusing more on obtaining a fulfilling outdoor experience rather than filling the bag limit.
- 5. I will avoid all hunting practices that degrade the safety and quality of the sport, for I recognize that in the eyes of the public my actions represent those of all other hunters.
- 6. I will avoid irresponsible use of alcohol and other drugs during my hunting experiences.
- 7. I will support hunting laws and regulations, including bag limits, so that future generations can have the same outdoor experiences I now enjoy.
- 8. I will review the hunting regulations annually and understand any changes that have been made.
- 9. I will support conservation organizations working for protection of all natural resources including wildlife, wetlands, forests, soils, clean air and clean water; and I will pass along to younger hunters the attitudes, values and skills essential to becoming an ethical outdoorsperson.
- 10. I will return a gift to wildlife.