



## CONDITIONS FOR CANCELLATION OF FLH HUNTS OR EVENTS

The first and foremost consideration for cancellation of a hunt or event is SAFETY— safety of hounds, horses, vehicles, and participants. If, after due consideration, the masters determine that travel to or conduct of an event presents a risk to safety, the event will be canceled or rescheduled.

### **Conditions that generally warrant cancellation/rescheduling:**

1. Ambient temperatures below 20 degrees, as temperatures this low can have an adverse effect on horses and hounds. The effect of wind chill and precipitation on the “feels like” temperature are also taken into consideration.
2. Severe weather events, including thunderstorms that produce lightning, freezing rain, or the possibility of tornadoes.
3. Unsafe footing or ground conditions. This includes icy or slippery footing that is dangerous for horses and hounds as well as conditions that make parking at a fixture unsafe or likely to cause damage to the property.
4. Dangerous road conditions such as those resulting from ice or snow that prevent safe travel to or from the fixture.
5. Requests from landowners asking that a fixture not be hunted on a certain day or during a specific period of time.

**Note:** Hunt “fixtures” are the land and properties we hunt on. A fixture list containing a schedule of hunt meets, times, and locations is printed annually.

Please remember that these are only guidelines. Decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis taking into consideration the various parameters that affect the safety of horses, hounds, staff, and riders in the fields. Rest assured that the masters do not cancel or reschedule unless they are convinced that conditions pose a genuine threat to safety or to the property of our generous landowners.

**ATTENTION!** Always check for updates or potential cancellations on the day of the event! Cancellations are communicated through multiple channels, but the best way to get current information is to visit the FLH member Facebook page or to be signed up for GroupMe messages.