



Hamilton/Wenham Rod & Gun Club

Application Instructions

Please Read Them Carefully

Included with this memo please find a description of our Association and a blank membership application form. We hope you find them useful.

Please note that before acceptance into our Association, each applicant must be a current member of the National Rifle Association (NRA) and Gun Owners Action League (GOAL). In addition, successful completion of an approved gun safety course is mandatory. We will, however, accept a currently valid license to carry or FID card in place of the safety course completion certificate.

Carefully review the **Statements of Understanding** printed on the application form. Your application **will not be accepted** until we receive **all of the required information**. Copies of NRA/GOAL membership cards, course certificates and/or LTC/FID cards are appropriate. NRA publications usually include an address label on the front cover. A copy of the cover showing name, membership number and expiration date will get the job done as well. You may also simply clip out the address label and attach it to the application form.

As an alternative, you may join both the NRA and Gun Owners Action League (GOAL) by visiting their web sites. Web links are provided on our web site [HTTP://WWW.HWRG.ORG](http://www.hwrg.org). The links will connect you to the appropriate site. Just follow the directions shown by the respective organizations and you are home free. After enrolling, simply print the confirmation screen. We will accept these copies as proof of your membership. The amounts shown are subject to change. Please check with the appropriate organization for current pricing of membership.

If you have questions or require additional information you may contact us via our web site. Please send us a message and a club officer will respond to your inquiry in a timely manner.

Thank you for considering our club.

Sincerely,

The Executive Committee

P.O. Box 2413 - S. Hamilton, MA 01982

NRA – GOAL INDIVIDUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES

NRA		GOAL	
1 Year	\$35.00	1 Year	\$30.00
2 Year	\$60.00	3 Year	\$75.00
3 Year	\$85.00	5 Year	\$125.00

Note: The amounts shown are current as of December 2005. They are subject to change at any time.



Hamilton/Wenham Rod & Gun Club

The Hamilton/Wenham Rod & Gun Club, Inc. is located on 8 ½ acres of land off Chebacco road in Hamilton, Massachusetts. We limit our membership but only to the extent that allows our members access to range facilities without any waiting lines. Our facilities include: a 100 yard rifle range with covered firing points and shooting benches, a 25 yard pistol range with enclosed firing points, a separate shotgun range with facilities for trap and limited sporting clays, a small stocked pond for catch and release fishing. In addition, we have two archery ranges; a field range and a woods range with a tree stand. Rifle and pistol facilities are wheelchair accessible.

Membership in the Club is open to any law-abiding American citizen who has reached the age of eighteen and one half years (18 ½). Similarly, we do not discriminate against any type of firearm . . . rifles, shotguns and pistols are all welcome on our range, as long as their owners follow the Club range rules, which are the basic rules of safety, common sense and courtesy.

Club meetings are held on the third Tuesday of every month at the Hamilton/Wenham Community House, located at 284 Bay Road (Route 1A) in Hamilton, directly across from the Hamilton Police station. Meeting time is at 7:30 PM.

The Club stands wholeheartedly behind the safe and responsible ownership and use of firearms. To this end, we have set up a Basic Firearms Safety Course, which is held each month at our range. The course is open to Club members and non-members alike and is approved by all local law enforcement agencies for certification prior to obtaining a new or renewal handgun Permit to Carry.

As long as firearm ownership remains a political issue in this country, the Club has a political agenda. We believe in every American's right to keep and bear arms for all lawful purposes. We encourage our members to actively support this right and as an NRA affiliated club, we require all our members to maintain a membership in the National Rifle Association. We also require our members to maintain membership in Gun Owner's Action League (GOAL), the NRA's official lobbying group in Massachusetts.

*Club Fees are as follows:

*Please review the supplemental information shown on the next page.

Initiation Fee	\$125.00
Annual Dues:	\$75.00
**Work Incentive:	\$100.00
Range Key Deposit:	\$15.00
Trap Key Deposit (Opt.)	\$10.00

****Note:** The work incentive fee is an annual fee payable at acceptance and at membership renewal. If a member contributes ten (10) hours to club related work activities or performs other approved services that are of value to the club, during a membership year, the fee is not charged for the following year.

For additional information please contact:

President:	Robert Young	(978)922-5780
Secretary:	Tom Dix	(978)922-0719

P.O. Box 2413 - S. Hamilton, MA 01982



**Application for Membership
Hamilton and Wenham Rod and Gun Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 2413, South Hamilton, MA 01982**

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Init: _____

Street: _____ City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Date of Birth: _____ Occupation: _____

E-Mail Address _____ Newsletter via e-mail? Yes _____ No _____

Statements of Understanding

- I understand that membership in both the National Rifle Association (NRA) and Gun Owners Action League (GOAL) is mandatory; and further that my application for membership **will not be processed** unless hard copy proof of **current** NRA & GOAL membership is included with this application.
- I understand that I must also include, together with this application, hard-copy evidence of successfully passing the Massachusetts Gun Safety Course or it's equivalent.
- I understand that if accepted as a member of the Hamilton and Wenham Rod and Gun Club, Inc., I will abide by the existing by-laws and range-rules governing the use of our range and the facilities. I further understand that if I violate the rules set forth governing the use of the Town of Hamilton's former landfill property, I could be dismissed from membership.
- I understand that in order to use the Club's range, I must sign the lease. Once I sign my name to the lease, pay the appropriate membership fees as shown on the reverse side of this application and receive my range orientation I will be assigned a key to the range.
- I understand that all members are included in the Work Incentive Program. (WIP)
- I understand that membership is renewable at the end of each calendar year.
- I understand that an initiation fee of \$125.00 shall be levied against each **newly admitted member** and **former members who are seeking reinstatement**, unless another member of the Association, in good standing, is within the applicant's family unit. In such cases the initiation fee is waived.

I certify that I am a citizen of good repute of the United States of America; that I am not a member of any organization or group having as its purposes the overthrow by force and violence of the government of the United States or any of its political subdivisions; that I have never been convicted of a crime of violence; and that, if admitted to membership, I will fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship and good citizenship.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Membership Fees

Initiation fee:	\$125.00	Range Key Deposit:	\$15.00
Annual Dues:	\$75.00	*Total due at acceptance:	\$315.00
**Work Incentive:	\$100.00	Trap Key (Optional)	

*Total Amount Due is subject to prorating when entry date is after July 1st each year.

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Payment Amount: _____ Date: _____ Method of Payment: _____

Sponsors Endorsement

Please state why you believe this applicant will be an asset to the Hamilton/Wenham Rod & Gun Club.

Name of Sponsor: _____ Badge #: _____
(Please Print)

Signature of Sponsor: _____ Date: _____

Note: This application must be presented to our Executive Committee for processing - **IN PERSON** - at a regularly scheduled monthly meeting. ***Do not mail your application; it will not be acted upon.*** We meet at the Hamilton/Wenham Community House, 284 Bay Road in Hamilton, MA on the third Tuesday of each month. The applicant will subsequently be notified of Executive Committee action. If approved, the applicant and the sponsoring member are required to attend the next scheduled membership meeting. Meeting time is at 7:30 p.m. and the applicant must be prepared to pay all amounts due, at that time.

Executive Committee Approval:

President:	_____	Chief Instructor:	_____
Vice President:	_____	Range Officer:	_____
Secretary:	_____	Range Const. Officer:	_____
Treasurer:	_____	1 st Reading _____	Memb. Approval _____