



# Double M Tree Farm Photography Policy



The owners and staff at Double M Tree Farm have worked hard to create a picturesque backdrop for holiday photos and are delighted to share our farm. Year round, numerous hours are spent to maintain the farm. The owners take pride in the results. However, due to liability and management issues, as well as an increasing demand for professional photography sessions, policies and guidelines have been implemented starting with the 2019 season. This should streamline the process and make it an enjoyable experience for all our guests and fair to all photographers.

## Policies for photographers

1. No photo sessions can be scheduled between Thanksgiving and Christmas.
2. All photo sessions must be pre-scheduled and prepaid and preapproved.
3. The one-day fee of \$150 must be paid in advance for each single day of photography sessions via check or with a credit card over the phone. Photographers may schedule multiple days.
4. All photographers must submit a copy of their liability insurance & our Liability Waiver & Agreement.
5. Session is not locked in until we receive 1) payment, 2) signed copy of our photography agreement waiver, and 3) copy of photographer's liability insurance.
6. Other photographers and clients may be onsite. Please be professional and courteous. Due to Covid-19 safety protocols, please allow time space between sessions so people do not congregate and encourage social distancing.
7. All photos must be taken in the mature tree field behind the barn not by our tender baby trees.
8. Only enter field by main man gate beside barn.
9. ALWAYS KEEP GATE CLOSED **DURING & AFTER** your photo session. Deer can destroy thousands of trees in a few hours.
10. Vehicles of any kind are NOT allowed in the Christmas tree fields under ANY circumstances. All props must be carried to your location by hand and removed upon completion. No large props are permitted in the field that will not fit through the man gate. Consider bringing a small hand pulled wagon.
11. No Drones.
12. No storage of props, supplies, or equipment from day to day or overnight.
13. Do not leave items unattended. We are not responsible for lost, stolen or broken items.
- 14. There is no public restroom on site. Plan accordingly.**
15. There is no access to any of the barns, buildings, or breezeway.
16. All day fee allows access to fields from 8am to 5pm (be advised that sundown in November is approximately 6pm)

## Photographer's Client Rules

1. Children must be monitored at all times for their own safety.
2. Be respectful of our farm and fields.
3. Do not enter baby tree fields.
4. Do not climb on fences, trees, hang on branches, or damage any trees.
5. Be aware this is a working farm and may contain environmental hazards. Safety is our priority. Double M Tree Farm is not responsible for injuries sustained during your shoot.
6. Animals must be on a leash, waste cleaned up, and disposed of. (Do not allow animals to mark trees; it damages the tree.)
7. Keep off **all** farm equipment including, but not limited to tractors.
8. Do not open gates, enter other adjacent fields, or buildings.
9. Leave the grounds as you found them. Pick up all trash and dispose of properly.