



## Professional Photographers Policy

The UT Forest Resources AgResearch and Education Center (FRREC)/Arboretum is proud to provide an attractive venue for all types of outdoor photography in the East Tennessee region. However, considerable materials and labor are required to maintain the UT FRREC/Arboretum to the high standard that has attracted so many professional photographers for their photography sessions. As a result, starting on July 23, 2014 the UT FRREC/Arboretum will implement the following Professional Photography policy:

- A Professional Photographer is defined as one who is compensated for his/her services.
- All Professional Photographers who wish to take advantage of the UT Arboretum as part of his/her professional work will be required to become a UT Arboretum Society (UTAS) Friend at the \$100/year membership level (which must be kept current). These funds will directly support the maintenance and upkeep of the UT Arboretum.
- Upon confirmation of membership, an ID badge will be issued from the UT Forest Resources AgResearch and Education Center office and must be worn at all times while doing photo shoots on the site.
- All professional photography sessions at the FRREC/Arboretum must be scheduled no less than 48 hours in advance of the desired session by calling 865-483-3571 Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 4:30 pm (please visit our webpage for more details - <http://forestry.tennessee.edu/>).
- All Professional Photographers must sign at the Visitors Center upon arrival (the office is closed on the weekends, however there is frequently staff on the grounds, and as such you are still required to display your ID tag).
- Professional Photographers, who bring clients to the UT FRREC/Arboretum without paying the UTAS membership fee, will be asked to leave the property.
- The UT FRREC/Arboretum reserves the right to deny access to the grounds for photography purposes if a requested photo shoot conflicts with other scheduled outreach and educational events.
- During photo shoots, both photographers and subjects must stay on designated walkways, trails, or grass at all times, however walkways must remain accessible to all visitors.
- Please do not walk on planted beds, cut through the woods, or step on any plant labels during the photo shoot.
- No food, litter, large sets or lights, furniture set-ups, confetti, live animals, and balloons are allowed on site.