

SOMERSET WEST PISTOL CLUB

RANGE PROCEDURES & SAFETY RULES

NOTE: All activities on the Range are subject to the Regulations as per the Firearm Control Act 60 of 2000, National and International Range Rules. The Regulations and Rules will be strictly enforced at all times

1. Red flags must be erected at all relevant points; when Range is in use.
2. Shooting shall only be done under supervision of a Range Officer at all times.
3. The Range Officer shall have complete Control of the Range (including spectators).
4. The Range Officer may appoint a competent Assistant if necessary.
5. Any person who fails to obey the commands of the Range Officer or carelessly handles any firearm or endangers the safety of other shottists will be ordered off the Range by the Range Officer and may be barred from the use of Club facilities.
6. Any weapon may be inspected by the Range or Safety Officer. Anyone who objects to this inspection will not be allowed to shoot.
7. No loaded firearms shall be brought onto the Range.
8. Firearms may not be handled, unpacked and packed, until the Range is declared closed by the Range Officer.
9. The Range Officer shall call shottists on to the firing line, whereupon they shall take up their respective positions and place their firearms upon the shooting tables with magazines out and slides open, or cylinders swung out. Shottists shall load their arms only on command of the Range Officer.
10. All shooting will be done to the Range Officers commands and instructions.
11. When a shottist has completed his shooting, he shall unload the weapon, step behind the yellow line and await further instruction.
12. The Range Officer will give the command to unload and will then proceed down the firing line, examine all firearms and declare "**RANGE SAFE**", whereupon shottists may go forward to examine/collect their targets and return to firing line. Once the Range is declared safe no one may handle a firearm.

13. Should a problem arise during shooting for any reason whatsoever and assistance be required, the shottist must keep the weapon pointing in the direction of the target and raise one hand to attract attention of the Range Officer or his assistant, who will clear the stoppage.
14. During a shoot, if for any reason the Range Officer wishes to stop the shoot, a long blast on a whistle will mean an **IMMEDIATE CEASE FIRE** and shottist must assume the "READY" position with fingers off triggers and weapons facing targets and await further instructions.
15. Once under the command of the Range Officer, shottists must not carry on conversations at the firing line.
16. People not shooting must remain in the designated area, so as not to disturb the shottists.
17. Individual instruction or coaching on the firing line will not be allowed under any circumstances.
18. No smoking will be allowed in the shooting area.
19. No defective arms or ammunition may be used on the Range. Faulty weapons must be removed from the Range. No repair work shall be done at the Range.
20. No person may bring alcoholic drinks onto the Range and no person under the influence of liquor or drugs will be permitted on the Range.
21. On arrival at the Range, all persons entering the Range, must sign the Range Register and Visitors intending to shoot must pay the prescribed fee, i.e. R25.00 (includes 1 free target).

BY ORDER

The Chief Range Officer
The Committee of Somerset West Pistol club