



Club & Range Rules

1 Introduction

Due to the nature of the activities performed on the club's premises, it is mandatory to have a set of rules that everyone understands and abides by to ensure the safety of our members and the wider community, to comply with legal restrictions and regulations, and to have cooperative operation so that everyone can safely and fairly enjoy the facilities as often and freely as possible.

This document details the rules as applicable to maintaining membership in good standing, the club premises and all ranges, and the range-specific rules and exemptions.

1.1 Layout

The club offers various ranges, each suitable for specific firearms and shooting disciplines. The layout of the premises and ranges are shown in Figure 1.1.



Figure 1.1: Layout of the various shooting ranges on the premises.

2 Membership & Fees

2.1 Member Details and Correspondence

1. Personal details supplied to the club must be correct.
2. It is the responsibility of club members to ensure that their contact details remain up to date.
3. The club will periodically send out information regarding club activities and developments. It is the responsibility of the members to go through all correspondence to keep themselves informed on club matters.

2.2 Membership Fees

1. An administration fee is applicable when signing up new members. This fee is charged as a single amount per group of members (e.g. a family) regardless of the number of new members. From time to time, promotional discounts may apply.
2. Membership fees must be paid in accordance with the **Constitution**. The following modifiers apply to the book year fee as agreed to at each annual general meeting, rounded up:
 - Firearm (full) membership:
 - Adults: 100%
 - Dependants: 50%
 - Juniors: 25%
 - Airgun-only membership:
 - Adults: 50%
 - Dependants: 25%
 - Juniors: 25%

Juniors are members under 21 years of age at the time of sign-up or at the start of the book year for renewals. From time to time, promotional discounts may apply.

3. The club does not send out invoices. The call for membership renewal fees will be made via e-mail to the members' information on record after the annual general meeting.
4. The fees of honorary members, executive committee members and safety marshals are waived in appreciation for their service to the club. In the event that the aforementioned persons resign during the course of the book year, their membership fees become payable prorated on a quarterly basis.
5. Members who have not fully paid their membership fees shall be treated as visitors.

The current fees are available on the club's website.

2.3 Range Fees

1. A range fee is charged per person for each shooting session attended.
2. No fees are charged for instructors, assistants or spectators.
3. Club disciplines and events may impose their own fee structures as necessary.

The current fees are available on the club's website.

3 Premises Rules

The following rules apply to the premises at all times.

1. No shooting activity shall take place unless authorized by the executive committee.
2. Shooting activities are only allowed from Mondays to Saturdays between 09:00 and 17:00. Shooting on Sundays and public holidays is prohibited. This rule will be enforced very strictly as breaking it violates the club's lease agreement and puts it at risk of termination.
3. Organizers of shooting disciplines, the responsible persons for range bookings, and any person accessing the range outside of standard operating hours or organized events must announce their arrival and departure on the *SWPC: Access Control* WhatsApp group.
4. During times when shooting activities are allowed, do not climb onto backstops or go into areas without notifying shooters of which you will potentially be in their line of fire.
5. Shooting activities may only take place on designated ranges with firing lines within its physical limits (i.e. no shooting from outside a range into it).
6. All firearms must be legal under the *Firearms Control Act* with up-to-date licences.

7. No person under the influence of a substance with an intoxicating or narcotic effect shall be allowed to handle or use a firearm.
8. Club property shall be treated with respect and care, and shall not be removed without permission from the executive committee.
9. Do not litter. Put old targets, ammo boxes, cases to be discarded and other garbage in the bins provided.
10. Respect other users of the facilities.
11. Do not touch the firearms of others without their permission.
12. Children under the age of 18 must always be under the control of their parent, legal guardian or authorized adult.
13. Report any irregularities to the safety marshals on duty. If necessary, issues can be raised to the executive committee.

The following rules apply to all ranges when conducting shooting activities.

1. An attendance register and indemnity form must be completed *fully* by the safety marshals/instructors for the date, times and inspection information, and signed by everyone attending, including the safety marshals, instructors and spectators. The format of these documents may vary as applicable to the discipline or event.
2. When attending an organized shooting event, all firearms must be unloaded and made safe before entering a range, and carried in either a holster or suitable container. Use the designated unloading areas to change the condition of firearms.
3. Red flags must be erected at all relevant points when a range is in use.
4. Eye and hearing protection shall be worn whenever shooting is actively taking place.
5. Instructions given by any safety marshal shall be complied with unconditionally.
6. All loaded firearms shall, at all times, be pointed towards the backstops or in a suitable safe direction.
7. Only paper, cardboard and wood are permissible targets. Steel plates are only permitted if a minimum distance of 10m from the firing point is maintained. Shooting at rocks, tin cans or bottles is prohibited.
8. Do not place targets in a location without sufficient backstop available to absorb stray bullets. Targets on or close to the range surface must be placed at the base of the backstop to absorb ricochets.
9. Attaching targets directly to tyres or other structures is prohibited.
10. When actively shooting, a minimum of two people must be present to provide adequate safety supervision and accountability.
11. Any photos taken or videos recorded must be approved by the executive committee before publishing thereof to any website, social media or print media.

4 A-Range

The following rules and exemptions apply to the A-range.

1. Only the following firearms and calibres are permitted:
 - All handguns chambered in typical handgun calibers (.22 Short to .50 S&W). Handguns in typical rifle calibers (e.g. Thompson Contender) are prohibited.
 - All rifles/carbines of any action chambered in typical handgun calibers.
 - All air rifles and air pistols in typical airgun calibres.
2. Equipment designated for this range shall not be used on other ranges.
3. During *Public Session* events, additional rules shall be enforced as per the **A-Range Public Session Rules**.
4. During *Carry Gun* events, additional rules shall be enforced as per the **Carry Gun Rules**.
5. During *Airgun/.22* events, additional rules shall be enforced at the discretion of the safety marshals. Notable rule exceptions include:

- 5.1. Using steel popup silhouette targets and placing them on the range surface is permitted when shooting airguns.

5 B-Range

The following rules and exemptions apply to the B-range.

1. All rules as per *A-Range* shall apply.
2. During *Pin Shooting* events, additional rules shall be enforced at the discretion of the safety marshals.

6 C/D-Ranges

The following rules and exemptions apply to the C/D-ranges.

1. Only the following firearms and calibres are permitted:
 - Handguns of any action and calibre.
 - Shotguns of any action and calibre.
 - Rifles/carbines of any action, but limited to calibres .30-06 and below.

7 Clay Shooting Range

The following rules and exemptions apply to the clay shooting range.

1. Only the following firearms and calibres are permitted:
 - Smooth bore shotguns of any action. Rifled guns are prohibited.
 - Birdshot shotshell of any gauge but size #7 and higher. Buckshot and slugs are prohibited.
2. The range may only be used for public clay shooting events arranged by the club members designated to lead the discipline.

8 100m Range

This range is currently under construction. Usage is prohibited.