

Range Ground Rules and Safety Rules

Every member is required to familiarize him/herself with the rules of the Club, particularly those rules pertaining to the use of the Range. It is not only the duty of each member to strictly abide by such rules, but it is also his/her responsibility to see that same are obeyed by all other members or visitors. Failure to abide by such rules shall make the member subject to suspension or expulsion from the Club.

Range Ground Rules

1. All members will be required to show evidence of membership upon request.
2. Trash, used targets, spent brass, etc., are to be deposited in trash receptacles provided. It is the responsibility of each member to pick up his/her own trash and that of guests he/she may have at the range.
3. Each member is permitted two guests while he/she is personally present at the range. After three visits, a guest will be expected to join the club to continue enjoying its privileges. This rule shall not apply to visitors at Club-sponsored matches nor to non-members attending Club-sponsored activities.
4. All non-members (member's family and guest) must be accompanied by member. Members allowing a non-member to use their membership will be permanently removed from the club.
5. Climbing on or digging in earthen backstops is forbidden.
6. Pets are not allowed on the firing area.
7. DRIVE ONLY ON CLUB ROADS.
8. Use of alcohol, prescription drugs in a manner not described by a doctor or illegal drugs is expressly prohibited and punishable by law.

Range Safety Rules

1. Treat every gun as if it were loaded until you have personally proved otherwise.
2. Breeches of every gun on the range will be kept open at all times except when actually on the firing line and ready to fire. Revolvers must have the cylinder hinged open and automatic pistols will have the magazine removed and the slide locked back.
3. Keep the muzzles pointed downrange in a safe direction. Rifles can be stowed in the vertical racks.
4. Firing shall be done from an approved firing point with all shots directed at the backstop.
 - a. Pistol Range: All rounds SHALL impact the rear-most impact berms. Firing into the horizontal ground or side berms is not permitted (except by special permission from executive board for competitive shooting matches).
 - b. Rifle Ranges: 25, 50, 100, 200, 300, and the 500 yard ranges are to be used exclusively for shooting at those distances only. Mid-range targets are not allowed. (Slow fire only, 1 round every 5 seconds max). All rounds SHALL impact the rear-most impact berms. Firing into the horizontal ground or side berms is not permitted (except by special permission from executive board for competitive shooting matches).
 - c. Rapid Fire Range: Rapid semi-auto with no time restriction to fully automatic. All rounds SHALL impact the rear-most impact berms. Firing into the horizontal ground or side berms is not permitted (except by special permission from executive board for competitive shooting matches).
5. Upon the command "Cease Firing," all firearms will immediately be unloaded. Actions opened and all ammunition removed from the firearm, cylinders out, and slides back and will remain so until the command to commence firing is given.
6. No shooter shall be permitted to go downrange to inspect his target until all firing has ceased, all guns are unloaded, actions open, and muzzles pointed downrange or rifles are placed in designated racks. No one will be permitted to handle any firearms when persons are downrange.
7. Only paper targets shall be used on the rifle and pistol ranges (steel-swinging target allowed on pistol range). Use only the wooden target frames furnished by the Club. Shooting at tin can, rocks, glass bottles, etc., is specifically prohibited. No metal targets allowed at rifle range, unless approved by Executive Board. Shotgun range shall use club provided regulation targets thrown by club machines.

Note: Infraction of these rules shall be cause for expulsion from the Orange Gun Club, and barring of the individual from use of the range facilities. Violation of safe practices when using guns not only endangers club members, but also may cause us to be forced from our range site.