

# NORTHUMBERLAND PISTOL & REVOLVER CLUB



# Range Guide of Rules & Regulations

### **MEMBERS RESPONSIBILITY:**

- 1. To know and obey the safety rules.
- 2. Inform your guests of the safety rules <u>BEFORE</u> you let them shoot on the range and have them sign in.
- 3. A member may, and should encourage anyone to use our approved range for recreational shooting under our guidance and supervision. Non-members are welcome.
- 4. Targets are to be placed only on tentest target boards provided and not on any target frame or support.
- 5. The range must be used in accordance with the conditions of approval.
- 6. No person is permitted entry to or the use of NPRC Club facilities or the Firing Range if they have previously consumed or used any of the following substances in the same day: Alcohol, cannabis (medical or otherwise), prescription drugs causing drowsiness, nausea or any other debilitating condition. None of the above are allowed on the premises.

### **GUESTS:**

- 1. The operator, NPRC\*, shall ensure that every person who intends to use the range is informed of all safety rules and range protocol.
- 2. No person may use the range without having received the safety information and guests have signed the waiver.
- 3. Every member who brings a guest to the range <u>MUST</u> inform them of the safety rules as posted before the guest can shoot. One guest per member on the firing line. Limit of three visits per guest.
- 4. For all groups at events, a <u>SAFETY RULE REVIEW</u> shall be done for all first-time shooters before the event starts.
- 5. All guests must shoot with a full member or club instructor and load only five cartridges at a time for the duration of their visit. A fully licensed guest belonging to another gun club is permitted to bring their own firearm.

### **GATE:**

- 1. The gate to the property shall be closed and locked when no activity of any kind is in progress. "Range Closed" sign shall be visible.
- 2. The gate shall be open and the sign "Range In Use" signs shall be displayed when a member or members or organized event is in progress.
- 3. Whenever a member is on the property <u>ALONE</u> and engaged in shooting activity, the signs are to be displayed, "Range In Use" and the RED flag raised. The gate is to be closed but not locked.



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## **General Knowledge:**

Range Approvals are issued by the CFO\*. Each Range has specific conditions and restrictions, including types of firearms, target locations, and position of firing line. Failure to follow conditions can result in all ranges being closed by CFO\* until issues resolved. CFO\* inspectors attend at random.

### **RANGE RULES:**

- 1. All members must sign in and out.
- 2. Guests must "sign in and sign out" in the guest book and sign the guest waiver form for each visit. Guests are under direct supervision of the member, shooting one at a time, and occupying only one shooting position on the Rifle/Pistol Range.
- 3. A member may not shoot while allowing a guest or unqualified member to shoot. The member must remain at arm's length to the guest or unqualified member at all times while supervising their shooting. Members are wholly and solely responsible for the actions of their guests and members of whom they are supervising.
- 4. No firearms are to be worn in <u>holsters</u> during regular shooting periods, except during P.P.C.\* or I.P.S.C.\* training or competition.
- 5. Abusive or foul language, harassment of Club/Range Officials, horseplay, or unsafe act is unacceptable conduct, and may result in loss of club membership.
- 6. Firearms may only be handled on the live firing line.
- 7. In case of a misfire, a hang-fire or other unnatural sound, keep the firearm pointed down range and do not open for at least 60 seconds. Only then, may one proceed to clear the problem while maintaining proper safe handling procedures.
- 8. The firing line will not be moved forward at any time (rifle or pistol range), except during P.P.C.\* or I.P.S.C.\* training or competition or a RSO\* is present and overseeing the shoot.
- 9. No "Cross Shooting" at targets. Only controlled rapid firing is allowed.
- 10. Any person, whether shooting or not, who has a safety concern can and should call a CEASE FIRE and all shooters must stop firing immediately.
- 11. Loaded firearms are to be confined to the firing line, kept pointed down range at all times and are not permitted elsewhere on the range.
- 12. No examining or exhibiting of firearms other than on the firing line and only when the red light is on.

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- 13. Members must wear their membership cards in a visible location at all times while on the property, whether shooting or not. Members are requested to ask those not wearing a badge to do so.
- 14. NO ENTRY to shooting stations on a GREEN light.
- 15. Only paper targets are allowed. No other types of targets are to be used such as cans, bottles, or any material other than paper.

#### NO EXCEPTIONS

- 16. Targets must not depict an actual person or have a head silhouette. P.P.C.\* and I.P.S.C.\* targets are the only exception when used for P.P.C.\* and I.P.S.C.\* training or competition.
- 17. NO silhouettes during regular member hours.
- 18. Targets are to be affixed to the target structure so as not to have bullets hit the wood frame.
- 19. Only metal targets provided and positioned by the Club may be used. Example Gongs.
- 20. Ear & eye protection is required by all shooters and spectators.
- 21. No rifles are allowed on the pistol range and no pistols allowed on the rifle range.
- 22. No firearms are to be cleaned on the property.
- 23. If a member cannot shoot on a designated shooting day, when he or she arrives at the range due to maintenance being performed, fields are being farmed etc., then a signature can still be obtained.
- 24. ALL members please clean up after your selves. Targets to be disposed of in the proper bins and cases are to be swept up and placed in metal disposal bins. Don't leave it for someone else to clean up.

\* RSO Range Safety Officer

\* CFO Chief Firearms Officer

\* NPRC Northumberland Pistol & Revolver Club

\* P.P.C. Police Pistol Combat

\* I.P.S.C. International Practical Shooter Confederation