



## Club Property and Range Safety Rules

**Club Property** - Is only for the use of our members and invited guests, except for shooting/special events that are open to the public. Members shall be responsible for insuring that the all guest(s) are aware of the club and range rules, and supervise their actions. A member is limited to 2 guests shooting at a time and a guest is limited to a maximum of 3 shooting visits per calendar year. Guests will pay a fee of \$5.00 per visit and are required to fill out a visitor information form. The form is placed in the collection box just inside the main entrance door.

**All Persons** - Entering the grounds shall sign the registration book. Columns are provided for the Club Member's number, the date, time of arrival & departure, range(s) being used, type of firearm(s) used and class of firearm used. Guest's names are signed in on a sponsoring member's line in the registration book.

**Alcohol or Drugs** - Use shall not be permitted on the club property at any time. Anyone found under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall not be permitted on the club property.

**Serious Injuries on Club Property** - 911 is available for ambulance, fire and police. **The municipal address is 53 Ansonia Road, Municipality of Huron Shores.** A serious injury is something requiring a medical doctor's attention or an injury caused by the discharge of a firearm. A member of the Executive or Board of Director's shall be notified of a serious injury to a member or guest as soon as possible.

**Members Shooting Alone** - Shall fill out and sign the Liability Waiver Form. The form is placed in the collection box just inside the main entrance door.

**Dangerous Areas** - Do not walk onto the shooting ranges, climb berms or backstops while shooting range(s) are active. Do not walk in front of the trap house while the trap machine is in operation. Shooters not on the firing line or spectators shall remain behind the ceasefire line.

**The Range Closed/Open Sign** - Is located at the entrance gate to indicate the overall condition of the range(s). The range Closed Sign shall be displayed when the range(s) are not in use. The range sign shall be locked closed when work is being done on Club Property and the Work-in - Sign placed on the main entry gate to ranges. The range Open Sign shall be displayed when any shooting activity is in progress on the range(s). The range Status Sign located outside the door entering the inside shooting area shall be used to display the condition (open/closed) of each the ranges.

**Range Safety Officer(s)** - Shall be appointed when more than one member is on the range. The Range safety Officer(s) shall ***(as outlined in SOR 98/212 section 5e)*** oversee safe practices, manage shooting angles, and ensure compliance with all safety protocols on the firing line(s). All range commands that are given by the Range Safety Officer or his/hers designate shall be obeyed. ***While acting as a Range Safety Officer you are there to observe the members on the firing line only and not to be engaged in shooting any firearm.***

**Bringing Fire Arms on to the Range** - If no one is at the club bring unloaded and encased firearms to #1 range safety tables or to the designated shooting window to be proved safe (Acts – Prove). If someone is at the range, check with the appointed Range Safety Officer for the group re: bringing in your firearms to be proved safe (Acts – Prove). At a Formal Shoot contact the Range Safety Officer for permission to bring unloaded and encased to #1 range safety tables or to the designated shooting window to be proved safe (Acts – Prove) by the Range Safety Officer. At this time, you will be directed on how to store your firearm(s).

**Note:** ***All ammunition should be stored separately from your firearm(s) and not placed on the range safety tables.***

**Firearm Safe Handling on the Range** - Do not touch another's members firearm(s) without permission. Assume all firearms loaded until you Prove them safe. All firearms shall be unloaded (clear of ammunition in the chamber and attached magazines/cylinder) and have the actions open when not on the firing line. Do not load firearms until you are on the firing line given and the range is declared active. When moving your firearm(s) keep the muzzle of the pointed up at all times in the shooting area of club house (range #1). Control the muzzle of your firearm(s) at all times (safest available direction).

Careless Handling of Firearms or Horseplay shall not be permitted on the Club Property. Do not distract others while they are preparing to shoot. ***Refer to By-Law #14.***

**Ear and Eye Protection** - shall be worn by all shooters and spectators that are within close proximity to the firing line.

**Cease Fire** - Upon hearing the Range Safety Officer (or another person) call a ceasefire all shooting shall immediately stop, firearms unloaded, lay your firearm down with the muzzle pointing down range and the action(s) are left open. The Range Safety Officer shall inspect all firearms and he/she shall give instructions on how the firearms are to be situated before shooters leave the firing line (left at shooting position, racked or cased). Shooters shall then move back from ceasefire line. No shooting or handling of firearms on the range shall be permitted until the Range Safety Officer declares the range is Active.

**Range Flags Used When Shooting** - A **Green Flag** shall be displayed on the firearm range(s) any time the range is inactive and/or a person is down range of the firing lines. A **Red Flag** shall be displayed to indicate the range(s) are active and in use. Range #3 Trap House shall be equipped with a **Yellow Flag** on a short pole. The yellow flag is to be raised by the trap operator to indicate a ceasefire is required. The Range Safety Officer shall call a ceasefire and shall inform the trap operator when it is safe to leave the trap house.

**Ranges** - Firearms and archery equipment on the club property shall only be carried and discharged on Approved Ranges. Approval from a club executive and/or board of director shall be required to carry/discharge firearms and archery equipment on the rest of the club property. An example of approval needed to carry a firearm or archery equipment off approved ranges may be for pest control.

**Range #1** - Use paper targets and bunkered steel reactive targets. Rifles up to a .338 Lapua Magnum and Shotguns with slugs only can be used up to 100yds on this range. Handguns shall only be used up to 50Yds backstop from the club house firing line.

**Range #2** - Use paper targets and bunkered steel reactive targets. Rifles up to a .338 Lapua Magnum and Shotguns with slugs only can be used up to 75yds on this range. Handguns shall only be used up to 50Yd marker from the backstop.

**Range #3** - Trap Only. No other ranges shall be open when trap shooting is taking place. The trap range shall be Closed during sanctioned archery shoots (OAA).

**Range #4** - Archery FIFl – only field points or target points may be used on the targets. Range #3 (trap) shall be closed, ranges #1 or #2 may be in use at the same time. All firearm ranges #1, #2 and #3 shall be closed during sanctioned archery shoots (OAA). Archery ranges #4 & #5 shall be closed during formal firearm shooting events.

**Range #5** - 3D Archery - only field point or target points may be used on the 3D targets. Range #3 (trap) shall be closed, ranges #1 or #2 may be in use at the same time. All firearm ranges #1, #2 and #3 shall be closed during sanctioned archery shoots (OAA). Archery ranges #4 & #5 shall be closed during formal firearm shooting events.

**Safety Tables** - The safety tables are located in the club house and at other locations on the ranges as needed. **Note:** ***No live ammunition is allowed on the safety tables.***

**Targets** - Use only targets approved by the club and place the targets so the top of the target is below the centerline of the backstop. Do not shoot target numbers, glass bottles, or materials that can cause a bullet to ricochet or cause dangerous debris. Do not fire at targets sitting directly on the ground. Bullets striking the ground may deflect over the sides of the berms or backstops. All metal targets shall be reactive (they must move or fall down when hit), be enclosed in an approved bunker and must be positioned at the right angle to the firing line. Metal targets minimum firing distance for Rim-Fire Handgun/Rifle and Centrefire Handgun is 11yds, Centrefire rifle is 55yds. All targets, portable shooting stands shall be picked up after the shoot. Also, when shooting trap pick up as many broken/unbroken clays as possible.

**Shotgun Shells** - For Trap Shooting No more than 2 shells shall be loaded at a time on the firing line. Load only when it is your turn to shoot. No shells larger than 12 gauge, 2 ¾" long, 1 1/8 oz. lead shot and no shot larger than 7 ½ shall be used. Shoot velocity shall be no more than 1300 ft/sec. or 396m/sec. taken within 5 feet or 1.5m of the shotgun muzzle.

**Ammunition Malfunction** - Keep the muzzle pointed down range. Wait 60 seconds before removing the shell or cartridge from the chamber. ACT/PROVE the firearm.

**Firearms Requiring Maintenance** - Shall be removed from the firing line to a designated safe maintenance area on the direction of the Range Safety Officer. For example, a maintenance area may be set up for cleaning black powder firearms at a shoot. Keep the firearm muzzle pointed in a safest direction at all times and the firearm is kept under control.

**Hot Range** - During sanctioned events (Cowboy Action and IPSC) a Hot Range concept may be used for handguns. A Hot Range warning sign shall be displayed. Only unloaded handguns (revolver - empty cylinder, semi-automatic – empty chamber and magazine removed shall be carried in holsters as directed by the Range Safety Officer. Handguns shall only be removed from the holster at the Safety Table or at the Firing Lines to load for target shooting.

**Empty Brass and Shells** - Shall be picked up when a shooter(s) have finished shooting and the Range Safety Officer has indicated the shooting area and the range(s) are safe to so. Containers are located in the club house for disposal.

