## **OUTDOOR RANGE RULES**

## **Fundamental Gun Safety Rules**

- 1) Treat every firearm as if it was loaded.
- 2) Always keep the muzzle of the gun pointed down range toward the backstop.
- 3) Always keep your finger off the trigger until your target is aligned in your sight and you are ready to shoot.
- 4) Always be aware of your target and beyond.
- 5) Always keep the firearm unloaded until ready to use.
- 6) All firearms used on the range must be in safe operating condition and use only the ammunition intended for it.
- 7) All firearms being transported to and from the firing range will be cased and unloaded. Exception: concealed carry firearms.

## General rules

- 1) Hours of operation will be limited to 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Monday thru Saturday; 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Sunday. Shooting before or after hours of operation WILL result in disciplinary action and possible expulsion from the club. NO shooting after dusk.
- 2) A designated, non-shooting, RCRPC Range Safety Officer will be present at all times during all range shooting activities. SSO's are allowed to shoot without a non-shooting RSO present.
- 3) Members and their guests MUST abide by the Range Safety Officer's decision. If you disagree with the Range Safety Officer's decision, you must still follow his decision. You may present your disagreement to the Board of Directors at the next monthly meeting for a ruling on your disagreement.
- 4) All shooters must keep their firearms, ammo, and targets on, or under, the firing line bench.
- 5) All firearms and ammunition are subject to inspection by the range staff prior to entering the range.
- 6) All firearms WILL ONLY BE loaded and unloaded in your assigned shooting stall. NO loaded firearms may leave the firing range. (Except properly holstered concealed firearms.)
- 7) All shooting will be done from the common firing line. There will be NO shooting from in front of the firing line.
- 8) All targets will be placed in the provided target holders. No binary (exploding) targets will be allowed. There is NO shooting of bottles, cans, jugs, rocks, pieces of wood, or anything else other than paper targets. (Authorized steel targets will be allowed for certain events)
- 9) Position your target in front of the backstop so that all rounds go through the target and into the backstop (berm).
- 10) Shooters are to fire only one firearm at a time. Exception: Cowboy and 3-Gun Disciplines.
- 11) Under no conditions is cross-draw, small-of-the-back, or shoulder holsters to be used on the range.
- 12) There is to be NO hand to hand transfer of firearms on the firing line except during training sessions. If you want to transfer a firearm to another shooter, safe the firearm, place it on the firing line bench with the muzzle pointing down range and step behind the cease fire line. The other shooter may then step forward and pick up the firearm, load it, and commence firing. If moving from one firing lane to another the firearm must be unloaded, made safe, and cased.
- 13) If you have a misfire ("dud"), keep the muzzle pointed down range; notify the Range Safety Officer; wait a minimum of 30 seconds before attempting to clear the firearm. All misfires ("duds") will be placed in the appropriate containers.
- 14) NO .50 caliber BMG, tracer, or incendiary bullets will be used on-site, and no bullets expressly designed or engineered with the intent of piercing armor plating will be allowed on-site.
- 15) NO fully automatic firearms will be allowed except as authorized by a majority vote of the board of directors for special events..
- 16) There will be NO firing from the hip!
- 17) There will be NO cross-lane firing!
- 18) NO persons under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be permitted to participate in any shooting activities on the property.
- 19) A CEASE FIRE may be called by anyone that notices an unsafe situation.

- 20) When a CEASE FIRE is called all shooters will immediately stop shooting; keeping the muzzle pointed down range; clear your firearm by removing all ammo (magazine) and making sure the chamber is empty and the action is open; set your firearm on the firing line bench with the muzzle facing down range and step back behind the cease fire line. There will be NO handling of any firearms during a Cease Fire. Follow all directions of the Range Safety Officer.
- 21) All shooters are required to police their brass and clean up the target area. THIS WILL ONLY BE DONE DURING A CEASE FIRE!
- 22) "Horseplay" is strictly forbidden and WILL result in removal from the range.
- 23) NO hunting or shooting of any wildlife will be allowed on the property.
- 24) NO unattended children allowed on the property.
- 25) NO pets allowed on the property when the range is active. (Except for service animals)
- 26) NO food, drink (except water), or tobacco products (including vape and e-cigarettes), is allowed on the firing line. Smoking is allowed only in designated areas.
- 27) The range is open to all members and their accompanied guests. Club members are required to have their membership button with them whenever they are at the range. Members may have up to four (4) guests with them. Only two (2) of those guests may shoot at one time. Members are responsible for all actions of their guests. Guests must stay in close proximity (within eye-sight and ear-shot) of the member. SSO's may NOT bring guests unless the SSO is a certified RSO or RM. If the SSO is a RSO or RM they can bring guests but can NOT shoot at the same time as their guest(s).
- 28) All members and their guests must check in at the clubhouse. Guests must have a safety briefing, sign a waiver, and pay the \$10.00 guest fee before proceeding to the range.
- 29) Shooters through age 11 must be accompanied and directly supervised by a **non-shooting** member parent/legal guardian. Shooter's ages 12 thru 17 must be accompanied by, and can shoot simultaneously with, a member parent/legal guardian as long as they have passed and can present a hunter safety permit, or, are a member of the Junior Member Club.
- 30) Approved eye and ear protection is recommended, but not required, while on the active firing range.
- 31) Rules may be modified for a special event, match, or other requirement ONLY by approval of the Board of Directors.

## **Dress Code**

1) NO flip-flops, sandals, or open toed shoes will be allowed.

I attest that I have read and will abide by all of the rules of the Rock County Rifle and Pistol Club and acknowledge that VIOLATION OF THE RULES MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION! I further agree to pay for all damages by me or my guest(s) caused by violation of the rules while at the range. I have attended a range orientation.			
(signature)	(dated)	(Instructor signature)	
(printed)	(I.D. Button #)	(printed)	