

RANGE RULES

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I. GATE

- A. Make sure that the gate is closed and locked behind you when entering or exiting the property. The gate is to remain closed and locked at all times except for match days.
- B. No member is to give out the gate combination to any non-member. There are **NO EXCEPTIONS** to this rule. Violation of this rule will result in immediate expulsion of the offending member.

II. RANGE OPERATING HOURS

Firing may begin at 8:00 AM and must end 30 minutes before sunset.

III. SIGN-IN BOOK

- A. In the event that the electronic gate is inoperable, a sign-in book will be available at the pistol range.
- B. Upon arrival, each member must sign-in and record the arrival time, range or ranges used (eg. Pistol range, 100 yard range, 600 yard range) and departure time.
- C. Your membership card **MUST** be worn on your person anytime you are on range property.
- D. All guests must be documented in the sign-in book. Unless your membership category allows complimentary guests, the guest fee is \$50.00 per guest, payable within 10 days. See further information in the 'GUEST' section.
- E. Failure to comply to sign-in and Guest rules will subject the member of disciplinary action.

IV. REFUSE

- A. Clean up your area.
- B. Pick up your spent brass and all trash and dispose of it.

- C. Live or defective ammo shall only be placed in specially marked containers that will be present at each range. Do not place live or defective ammo in the trash barrels.
- D. Do your part to keep the range clean. Pick up trash you find and dispose it in the trash barrels.

V. TARGET FRAMES

- A. All target frames must be made of material that will not promote ricochets. All target frames must be configured and positioned so as to ensure that all bullets impact the rear berm.

DO NOT position targets so the fired projectile will impact the side berm. DO NOT position targets so the fired projectile will impact the ground in a manner which could cause a ricochet and leave the confines of the protective berms or the range complex. The target frames supplied by the club when placed accordingly fulfill these requirements. If you use your own target frames, they must meet these specifications. (i.e. short target frames can cause ricochets.)

- B. Paper targets are to be secured to the backer with staples, pins or tape, and **MUST FIT ENTIRELY WITHIN THE CONFINES OF THE BLACK BORDER.**
- C. When firing is complete, remove the target, staples, pins and/or tape and return the target frame to the target storage. **DO NOT** leave target frames on the range. Dispose of the paper targets in an acceptable manner.
- D. Shotguns are **NOT** to be fired at club target frames. To pattern a shotgun, member must supply approved wooden frame.

VI. TARGETS

- A. Only paper targets are to be used. Other than the range-supplied steel targets, steel, bottles, cans, etc. are not allowed.
- B. The 600 yard competition targets located in the container on the 600 yard range may only be used by members who have received the special orientation regarding that range. **DO NOT** place other targets on the competition target backers. A target frame and backer is provided for members use at 200 or 300 yards.

VII. RANGE USE

- A. Anyone under the age of eighteen (18) must be accompanied by an adult member or other range-authorized adult at all times.

- B. The 25 yard range can be used for rifle, pistol or shotgun. Targets may be placed at any distance provided an approved target frame is used. (i.e. no short frames) All firing must be done from the firing line (the end of the cement slab). Shotguns must not be fired at club frames. The shooter must ensure that the fired round will terminate at the impact berm.
- C. The 100 yard range can be used for rifle or pistol or shotgun. Rifle or pistol targets must be **no closer than the 50 yard line**. Approved frames must be used. All firing must be done from the firing line (the end of the cement slab). The shooter must ensure that the round will terminate at the rear impact berm.
- D. The 600 yard range.
1. All members who wish to fire at distances greater than 300 yards on the 600 yard range must first attend a comprehensive orientation regarding all aspects of firing from these positions. They must provide:
 - a. A suitable rifle in an appropriate caliber with a good 100 yard zero and suitable long range ammunition. SKS's, AK's, 16 inch AR's, 30-30's etc. are not appropriate.
 - b. Proper sighting equipment. Red dot sights are not acceptable.
 2. It is the member's responsibility to maintain good judgment in the use of appropriate equipment when firing at all distances.
 3. Members must demonstrate their ability to safely handle his/her rifle by:
 - a. Having knowledge of elevation and windage doping to safely place a round in the target at all ranges but especially at 300 yards or greater.
 - b. Not closing the bolt on a chambered round until the muzzle is safely pointed downrange in a level position.
 - c. Following such rules of conduct as outlined in the orientation.
 4. ALL firing at competition targets (i.e. at 600 and 1,000 yards) must have pit personnel with adequate communications; i.e. radios or cell phone.
 5. Any shooter not demonstrating the ability to hit the target within three shots shall IMMEDIATELY CEASE FIRING and move to the 100 yard range or 200 yard line to correct base zero.
 6. If at all possible, shooters are asked to use target carrier #12 or lower.
 7. Targets are to be placed on the designated practice frame only.

8. All members are entitled to use the wind flags and equipment located in the container at the pits. It is the user's responsibility to return equipment and wind flags to their proper container.
9. No personal vehicles are allowed downrange of any firing line – NO EXCEPTIONS.
10. Mid-range and Highpower competitors may be exempt from the 600 yard orientation. They, along with members who have completed the orientation, will be issued a different colored membership card which states in bold lettering "600 YARD QUALIFIED." This card must be worn at all times on the range. (Replacing the standard membership card.)
11. Subject to all other rules pertaining to guests, "600 YARD QUALIFIED" members may bring non-qualified members or guests to shoot on the 600 yard range, but they will be solely responsible for their actions and the suitability of their equipment.
12. Any member found in violation of the 600 yard range rules will be subject to disciplinary action.

VIII. THE FIRING LINE

A. Club member and guests' responsibilities on the firing line:

1. Anyone on the range can and should call an immediately cease fire if they see an unsafe or dangerous situation.
2. All uncased firearms **MUST have actions OPEN and MAGAZINES REMOVED** unless the firearm is active on the firing line.
3. **Every firearm on the shooting bench MUST have an Empty Chamber Indicator (ECI) installed in the chamber at all times when the firing line is "COLD."** ECI's are available at the sign in area. The price is \$1.00 each.
4. Firearms active on the firing line (on benches) will NOT be touched, handled, cased, uncased, moved, etc. when the firing line is "cold."

B. Basic rules of conduct

1. Treat all firearms as if they are loaded at all times.
2. All personnel must be thoroughly familiar with their firearms and must follow all manufacturers' operating instructions.

3. Shooters experiencing a malfunction of any kind will keep their muzzle pointed down range at the berm at all times and will clear the malfunction in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
4. Any shooter experiencing an "abnormal report" or misfire will keep the muzzle pointed at the target for a minimum period of 30 seconds to preclude the possibility of a hang fire (delayed ignition).
5. All shooters must maintain azimuth and elevation muzzle limits within the confines of their established firing land/berm position.
6. All personnel must remain behind the firing line when the range is "hot."
7. All personnel must remain behind the benches whenever personnel are down range and the line is "cold."

C. Eye and Ear Protection

1. Hearing protection will be worn at all times when the range is "hot."
2. Eye protection with side or temple protection must be worn at all times at the pistol and the 100 yard ranges and is strongly recommended at the competition ranges.

D. Transporting Firearms

1. Whenever a firearm is removed from a vehicle it must be in an unloaded condition. There are NO EXCEPTIONS.
2. When transporting UNCASSED firearms from vehicle to range actions must be OPEN and magazine REMOVED
3. When transporting CASSED firearms from vehicle to range, upon opening case, firearm must have action open and magazine removed.
4. All firearms are to be carried muzzle up. Never sweep the muzzle.

IX. RANGE COMMANDS

- A. Routine range commands (i.e. cease fire, commence fire) are to be issued by members only. (An emergency cease fire may be called by anyone.)
- B. A cease fire may be called every 15 minutes, or sooner by agreement.
- C. COMMENCE FIRE

The member wishing to COMMENCE FIRE will:

1. Determine that no one is down range or forward of the firing line.
2. Poll all personnel on the firing line to see if they are ready to commence fire; are ready with hearing protection, etc.
3. The member will call out loudly, "THE LINE IS HOT, COMMENCE FIRE."

D. CEASE FIRE

After a period of 15 minutes or sooner by agreement any member may request a cease fire by:

1. Polling all personnel on the firing line to see if they agree and are ready for a cease fire.
2. Double check all shooting positions including any prone or standing shooters not using a bench.
3. The member will call out loudly, "CEASE FIRE, CEASE FIRE, MAKE THE LINE SAFE."
4. It is the responsibility of ALL PERSONNEL to visually check all shooting positions to verify that:
 - a. All personnel acknowledged the CEASE FIRE
 - b. All firearms on the shooting benches have **OPEN BOLTS, MAGAZINES REMOVED AND EMPTY CHAMBER INDICATORS INSTALLED.**

X. RESPONSIBILITY OF MEMBERS

- A. As a condition of membership, all members of Bar 3 Range agree to comply with all ranges rules, policies, procedures and directives.
- B. All members of Bar 3 Range are considered to be Safety Officers. As such, if any member (Safety Officer) should witness an unsafe act or rules violation it is the member's duty and responsibility to bring this to the attention of the offending party and to report the incident (along with names, times and dates) to the Bar 3 Range president.

- C. All members are responsible for their guests and/or minor family members that visit the range. Any member bringing a minor to the range must accompany the minor at all times.
- D. No member or guest is allowed to operate any personal vehicle off of the roadway, any designated parking area or downrange of any firing line.
- E. No member or guest is allowed to hunt, shoot at or harass any wildlife at Bar 3 Range.

XI. PROHIBITED ITEMS

- A. Bottles, cans, or other hard items, etc. used as targets.
- B. Fully automatic weapons and other N.F.A. items (e.g., suppressors, short-barreled rifles, short-barreled shotguns) unless the same is being used by the registered owner in accordance with all applicable state and federal laws.
- C. Any semi-automatic firearm equipped with a “Hellfire” or similar trigger device which mimics full auto fire.
- D. Armor-piercing ammunition (e.g., M855, Green Tip).
- E. Tracer, explosive or incendiary ammunition or any other type of destructive device or target.
- F. Any firearm not equipped with sights or an adequate aiming/sighting apparatus.
- G. Long guns without a shoulder stock (including folding stock firearms with the stock folded).
- H. Illegal drugs or prescription drugs that may impair a person’s senses or ability to conduct himself in a safe manner.
- I. Alcohol.

XII. FIRING LIMITATIONS AND PROHIBITIONS

- A. Indiscriminate fire:
 - 1. Un-aimed or indiscriminate fire is strictly prohibited.
 - 2. Violators will have their membership privileges suspended or revoked with no refund.

3. The board of directors disciplinary action in all cases is final.

B. Indiscriminate fire is defined as:

1. Using any firearm without sights or without employing sighting devices.
2. Firing from the hip, chest or any other position which does not allow proper visual sighting.
3. Firing “quick draw” styled without using sights or bringing the firearm’s sights into the shooter’s visual sighting place.
4. Firing any firearm “gangster style” i.e. holding the firearm sideways without using sights.
5. Any firing that is done in violation of the range rules that increases the likelihood that bullets will impact outside of the safety berms or range complex.
6. Any fire that is intended to damage club property.
7. Firing sustained “bursts” of ammunition from any firearms at rates faster than one round per second.

C. Shooters demonstrating a lack of ability to hit the target must immediately comply with the instructions of the range safety officer or member acting in the capacity of a range safety officer. Failure to comply with such instructions will result in disciplinary action.

XIII. GUESTS

- A. The guest fee is \$40.00 per day. Envelopes are provided and located in the sign in cabinet. Guest fees are to be paid within ten days.
- B. For any guest that lives within a thirty (30) mile radius of Laurel, Mississippi, only one (1) visit per guest per quarter is allowed.
- C. Members are responsible for all guest activity while on the range.
- D. Guests must fire on the same range as the member.

XIV. LAW ENFORCEMENT

- A. Bar 3 Range is a proud supporter of law enforcement agencies that protect and serve our community. To that end, Bar 3 Range may allow law enforcement

personnel to use the range for training and/or qualification purposes from time to time.

- B. If law enforcement personnel are present at the range in their official capacity, the presence, including their use of the range facilities for training and/or qualification purposes, takes precedent over other members and/or guests use of the range facilities.
- C. All Members and guests are expected to treat any such law enforcement personnel with the respect and dignity that they have earned and deserve in service to our community.

XV. SAFETY AND RULES ENFORCEMENT

- A. It is the responsibility of every member to ensure strict compliance with the range rules.
- B. Any member found violating the range rules will be subject to disciplinary action as determined by the Bar 3 Range board of directors up to and including termination of membership without refund.
- C. Any member willfully damaging club property will be subject to immediate revocation of membership without refund.
- D. Any violation of the range rules by a guest will be deemed a violation by the sponsoring member and subject the member to penalty as determined by the Bar 3 Range board of directors up to and including termination of membership without refund.