

## Safety Rules Guidelines

**A. Sign-in** – Upon entering the range the very first area you are to visit is the sign-in station located to the left of the clubhouse door. You must sign the liability waiver and the rest of the required columns next to your name. If you are a daily member you must deposit a daily fee in the designated cash deposit box. All others with you who are non-shooters must also sign the liability waiver sheet, but they do not pay the daily fee. Each individual's name must be signed in on the sheet, family designation is not acceptable. Failure to sign-in will result in expulsion from the range.

### **B. Range**

1. Come to the range with all of your firearms unloaded.
2. You will only load your firearm on the firing line, keeping the muzzle pointed down range.  
(If a Range Safety Officer (RSO) is controlling the line you will load at the "Load!" command.)
3. You may only unload your firearm on the firing line, keeping muzzle pointed down range.  
(If an RSO is running the firing line you will unload on the "Unload!" command.)
4. Your firearm(s) is (are) to be unloaded before you leave the firing line and go to your car.

### **C. Authorized Targets and Non-authorized Targets -**

1. Any type of commercial or home-made paper targets.
2. No metallic targets are allowed, unless permitted by the CRSO or RSO ahead of time.
3. Clay targets are permitted for shotgun shooting.
4. Moving specialty targets are not allowed, unless permitted by the CRSO or RSO.
5. Use of "Trash" targets such as glass or plastic bottles, etc., will result in range expulsion.

**D. Firearm Handling** – Every time you pick up a firearm you will treat it as loaded and will:

- 1. ALWAYS – KEEP THE MUZZLE POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION. (DOWN RANGE)**
- 2. ALWAYS – KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL READY TO SHOOT. (ON TARGET)**
- 3. ALWAYS – KEEP YOUR GUN UNLOADED UNTIL READY TO SHOOT.**

**E. Changing Targets** – When you are on the firing line with other shooters and there is no RSO (who if present would give commands for target change) you are to do the following:

1. Call "Cease Fire!" state your intention to change targets.
2. Next give the command "Unload and show clear!" All shooters must show their guns unloaded, with actions left open. They are to place empty guns on the shooting table, muzzles pointing down range and have them step back from their firearms while you and/or others go down range to change targets, only after everyone has returned to the firing line can they handle their guns.

**F. General Range Rules** – The following are to be carried out at all times:

1. Eye and hearing protection are required by all persons on or near the firing line.
2. All firearms are to have their muzzles pointed down range at all times.
3. No discharging of firearms except on the firing line.
4. Do not use tracer rounds, armor piercing ammo, incendiary rounds or steel core/jacketed bullets.
5. Absolutely no alcohol or illegal drugs are permitted on the shooting range.
6. All vehicles, cars, ATVs etc. are never to be driven to the top of berms.
7. At no time are you to go beyond the two designated gated areas (Cowboy Range, Rifle 1,000 yard range). Observe and follow instructions on the posted signs.
8. Keep firm control of pets (leashes required) and kids.
9. When transporting long guns from your car, keep muzzles pointing up.

**G. VANDALISM** – Property destruction of any type on the range involving any range structure including not only all buildings but range structures such as target backers, signs, firing line tables and any other structure pertinent to the range will be punished under Idaho Code **18-7001, Malicious Injury to**

**Property.** The use of rounds discharged from a firearm to destroy property will carry additional penalties. Be aware there are **security cameras** in various locations on the range.

**H. RANGE COMMANDS** – When an RSO is present, controlling the firing line, he/she will use the following commands (additional commands not noted here but used for specialty shooting may also be used but explained at that time):

1. **“LOAD AND MAKE READY!”** – Load your firearm and place a round in the chamber.
2. **“COMMENCE FIRING!”** – You can now start to fire your firearm downrange. Shoot at your own pace.
3. **“CEASE FIRING!”** – Immediately stop shooting. **Anyone can call a “Cease Fire!” if they see a dangerous situation on the range.**
4. **“UNLOAD AND SHOW CLEAR!”** – Immediately unload your firearm, remember just removing the magazine is not enough; you must also check the chamber of most guns as well making sure there is no round in it. You must show the RSO that your gun is empty and keep the action open.
5. **“ IS THE LINE CLEAR ON THE LEFT?”, “IS THE LINE CLEAR ON THE RIGHT?”**  
**“ THE LINE IS CLEAR!” When your side is asked if it is clear, answer.**

**I. AMMUNITION MALFUNCTIONS** – If one of the following occurs raise your hand to notify the RSO that you have a problem. If no RSO present try to fix the problem, or ask another shooter for help.

1. **MISFIRE** – In this situation you will hear a click of the trigger, with no expected bang. When this occurs keep the gun pointed down range for at least **30 seconds** before addressing the problem. **Never look down the bore of the barrel under any circumstances!** For Muzzle Loading, black powder fire arms keep the gun pointed down range for **two minutes**.
2. **HANGFIRE** – In this condition you first hear the trigger click followed shortly by the expected bang, this is why there is a waiting period after a misfire and why you never look down the bore.
3. **SQUIB** – This very dangerous situation is characterized by a reduced sound like a pop, not the expected bang, with usual malfunction and failure to cycle in semi-automatic firearms. In revolvers the cylinder may not turn. If this occurs, **DO NOT SHOOT YOUR GUN AGAIN! You have a bullet that is stuck somewhere in the barrel, an obstruction. If you shoot the gun again you will most likely damage your gun and possibly send pieces of metal airborne, if the gun blows up.** Raise your hand to let the RSO know you have a squib and he/she will help you. If there is no RSO, you must unload the gun, take a cleaning rod and remove the bullet from the barrel.

**DO NOT LOOK DOWN THE BORE!**

**J. RANGE OPERATING HOURS** – The range is open at sunrise and closed at sunset. No shooting without special permission is permitted anywhere on the range at night after sunset.

**K. EMERGENCIES** – PLEASE CALL 911 IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY REQUIRING ASSISTANCE, IF NO RANGE SAFETY OFFICER PRESENT. ALSO CALL CHIEF RANGE SAFETY OFFICER, NUMBER ON BULLETIN BOARD BY CLUBHOUSE DOOR.