

AAF&G FACILITY/RANGE USE & SAFETY RULES

AAF&G appointed Range Safety Officers (RSOs) represent the Officers and Directors of AAF&G on Club Property in enforcing the Range Use and Safety Rules. Their decisions and directions must be followed at that time. Willful violation of the Club Rules or failure to comply with a RSO will result in a review by the Board of Directors, which may lead to the loss of membership and/or visitation privileges.

I. GENERAL RULES

- A. Membership card must be displayed while using club facilities and presented when requested by an AAF&G RSO.
- B. The gate will remain closed and locked at all times except for sanctioned or public events. When the gate is open the lock is locked on the chain and the tumblers scrambled.
- C. At all times, all firearms will be treated as if they are loaded. Muzzles will always be pointed in a safe direction and never pointed at anyone. Fingers are to be kept off the trigger and out of the trigger guard until ready to shoot.
- D. Except when firing, actions will be open at all times. When the action is closed, the muzzle will be kept down range at all times. (note: break open actions can be stored in the firearm racks with the actions closed).
- E. Hearing and eye protection must be worn by EVERYONE when firing is occurring.
- F. Firing must be aimed, controlled fire.
- G. Firing will be conducted only in designated areas at regulation targets.
- H. All firing takes place from the established firing line (except on Action Pistol Range).
- I. Only paper targets on the proper frames may be used on the Bullseye Pistol, High Power Rifle, and Small bore Rifle Ranges. Exceptions will be addressed on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the range chairperson and the safety committee.
- J. When two or more shooters are using the same range, one of the shooters must be designated as the range officer who is responsible for range safety and status.
- K. Range Status
 - 1. **COLD / SAFE**
 - a. NO FIRING PERMITTED
 - b. NO FIREARM MAY BE TOUCHED FOR ANY REASON, including sight adjustment or firearm repair.
 - c. All firearms must be benched, all actions open and empty, and all magazines removed.
 - d. Shooters may be forward of the firing line.
 - 2. **HOT**
 - a. NO ONE MAY BE FORWARD OF THE FIRING LINE FOR ANY REASON.
 - b. Firing is permitted.
- L. With the exception of the trap and skeet ranges, muzzles must be kept pointed below the level of the backstop at all times.
- M. Any range in use must have a red flag displayed at the entrance to the range. The flag must be displayed by the first person entering the range and must be stored by the last person leaving the range.
- N. Inexperienced shooters must be accompanied to the firing position and coached by an experienced shooter. Shooters without coaches can seek assistance from members of the safety committee (RSOs) or the range chairperson.
- O. Members are welcome to bring guests to the facility. Guests using the ranges must be under the direct supervision of a member. A member may not have more than two guests firing at any one time. A host cannot shoot and supervise at the same time.
- P. Persons under 18 must be under direct adult supervision at all times.
- Q. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted on any range at any time.
- R. Full automatic fire is not permitted on any range at any time.
- S. Holstered guns may be worn only with empty chambers and without magazines except when on the firing line at specific action events.
- T. Unless otherwise specified, all used brass and empty shells are to be "policed" i.e., cleaned up, by the shooter on all the ranges

II. SHOOTING HOURS

A. Centerfire + Muzzleloaders

- 1. Monday – Friday: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.
- 2. Saturday and State & federal holidays: 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.
- 3. Sunday
 - a. **NO CENTER FIRE OR MUZZLELOADING SHOOTING** (except sanctioned weekends)
 - b. No .22 rimfire on Bullseye Range on Positions 17 through 24 (except sanctioned weekends).
- 4. Sanctioned weekends: 10:00AM to 8:00PM, daylight permitting.

B. .22 Caliber Rimfire

Daily: 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, daylight permitting.

III. PERMITTED SHOOTING LOCATIONS

A. Centerfire or Muzzleloader Handgun

1. Bullseye Pistol Range
2. Plinking Range
3. Action Pistol Range (Sanctioned Events or RSO Supervised Only)
4. High Power Rifle Range (Restrictions apply – see V.F.6)

B. .22 Caliber Rimfire Handgun

1. Bullseye Pistol Range
2. Plinking Range
3. Action Pistol Range (Sanctioned Events or RSO Supervised Only)
4. High Power Rifle Range (Restrictions apply – see V.E.6)

C. Centerfire or Muzzleloader Rifle

High Power Rifle Range Only

D. .22 Caliber Rimfire Rifle

1. Smallbore Rifle Range.
2. High Power Range
3. Plinking Range
4. Action Pistol Range (Sanctioned Events or RSO Supervised Only)

E. Shotgun

1. Trap and Skeet Ranges (no slugs)
2. High Power Rifle Range (slugs only)
3. Action Pistol Range (Sanctioned Events or RSO Supervised Only, NO SLUGS – MAXIMUM SHOT SIZE: #7 1/2)

F. Air Pistol & Air Rifle

1. In Clubhouse: Sanctioned Events only.
2. Outdoor: same locations as respective .22 caliber rimfire
3. Not permitted on archery or shotgun ranges
4. No daylight shooting time restrictions

G. Exceptions

Exceptions to permitted shooting locations may be made for special or sanctioned events upon approval of the respective range chairperson, the Safety Committee and the Board of Directors.

IV. UNAUTHORIZED CALIBERS + AMMUNITION

- A. .50 Caliber BMG is not permitted
- B. Explosive, incendiary tracer, or armor piercing ammunition is not permitted. Note that non-incendiary tracer shot shells are permitted on the trap and skeet ranges.

V. RANGE SPECIFIC RULES

A. Trap and Skeet

1. A club member will serve as a duty officer and will be responsible for the overall operation of the trap and skeet fields.
2. The trap puller will act as the range officer for the trap field.
3. A club member, acting as range safety officer, must be present on the skeet field when it is in use.
4. Maximum permitted shotgun gauge: 12
5. Maximum permitted shot size:
 - a. Lead: #7 1/2
 - b. Steel: #6
6. Patterning boards closed while skeet field in use.
7. Steel shot and shot sizes larger than #7 1/2 are prohibited from use on the metal patterning board.
8. Steel shot and shot sizes larger than #7 1/2 may be patterned using the cardboard patterning boards mounted between the left side of the steel board and to the right of the wall along the skeet field to the right of the low house.
9. Firearms shall not be loaded until the shooter is in their firing position. Actions shall not be closed until it is the shooter's turn to shoot. Firearms shall be empty with actions open at all other times, including while shooters move between firing positions. (Note: Break open actions can be stored in the firearm racks with the actions closed.)
10. Only one round shall be loaded in a firearm at any time, except for multiple target events.

B. Bullseye Pistol Range

1. All targets are shot at 25 or 50 yards.
2. Targets must be placed on the backers so as to minimize the possibility of bullet strikes on the frames themselves.
3. The 50 yard target frames must be flat on the ground when shooting at 25 yard targets in front of them.
4. At no time will targets be attached to the wooden eyebrow, the baffles, or the supports.
5. No Sunday shooting on Positions 17 through 24 (except Sanctioned Weekends).
6. Children who are not large enough to shoot a handgun safely with one hand are NOT ALLOWED on this range.
7. Drawing from a holster is NOT ALLOWED on this range.
8. All shooting will be done from the firing line only. No one is to be forward of the firing line while the range is hot.

C. Plinking Range

1. All shooting MUST be done from behind the shooting benches.
2. APPROVED FIREARMS: Blackpowder pistols, .22 rimfire pistols and rifles. Centerfire pistols. Centerfire rifles in pistol caliber.
3. PROHIBITED FIREARMS: No centerfire rifles of more than pistol caliber. No shotguns and Blackpowder rifles. No pistols in rifle calibers. No .17 caliber in either pistol or rifle. No centerfire calibers more powerful than .44 magnum. No centerfire .50 caliber. No shot shells.
4. APPROVED TARGETS: Paper and cardboard targets, empty soda cans and plastic bottles, clay birds, and balloons. Any target not on this list MUST be approved in advance by the Safety and Action Pistol Committees.
5. PROHIBITED TARGETS: Steel, flammable or explosive substances, glass, pressurized vessels, (aerosol cans, unopened soda cans, etc.), fruit, vegetables or any other food items, bowling pins, and any other target not listed in 4 above. DO NOT SHOOT AT ANY OF THESE TARGETS.
6. Do not place any targets on the ground. Paper and cardboard targets should be attached to frames. Cans, bottles, clay birds and similar targets are to be hung from the appropriate holders.
7. Do not place any target closer to the firing line than the baffle.
8. Targets may NOT be attached to the baffle or its supports. All targets must be placed at the proper height so that shots missing or passing through the target strike the impact backstop and not the ground. Targets must be placed so that no shots strike any range structure.
9. Shooters MUST clean up any debris from targets. DO NOT leave shot up cans and bottles or other target debris on the ground. Bring target frames and bases in under cover and store them when finished.
10. Crossfiring is NOT permitted. Shooters may only fire at the target or array of targets directly downrange from their firing point.
11. Drawing from a holster is NOT PERMITTED on this range.
12. All shooting will be done from the firing line only. No one is to be forward of the firing line while the range is hot.
13. All other AAF&G Range Safety Rules and Shooting Hours apply to the Plinking Range.

D. Action Pistol Range

1. Informal shooting MUST be done on the Plinking Range.
2. Shooting on the Action Pistol Range may ONLY be done during Sanctioned Events or under the direct supervision of Range Safety Officers.
3. Rimfire, centerfire and blackpowder handguns as well as rifles and carbines chambered in pistol calibers are permitted.
4. Shotguns are also permitted. No slugs – shot size 7 1/2 maximum.
5. Handguns chambered in centerfire rifle calibers and centerfire rifles and carbines not chambered in pistol calibers are not permitted.
6. APPROVED TARGETS: Paper and cardboard targets, empty soda cans and plastic bottles, clay birds, balloons and steel reactive targets placed on the range by the Action Pistol Committee. Any target not on this list must be approved in advance by the Safety and Action Pistol Committees.
7. PROHIBITED TARGETS: Flammable or explosive substances, glass, pressurized vessels, (aerosol cans, unopened soda cans, etc.), fruit, vegetables or any other food items, wood blocks and bowling pins. DO NOT SHOOT AT ANY OF THESE TARGETS.
8. Paper targets should be attached to frames. All other targets must be attached to appropriate target holders. All targets MUST be placed at the proper height that allows missed shots and bullets passing through the target to strike the impact backstop.
9. Shooters must CLEAN UP any debris from targets. Do not leave shot up cans and bottles on the ground. Place target frames and bases back under cover when finished shooting.
10. Shooters may NOT bring their own steel targets. Shooters may only use steel targets placed on the range by the Action Pistol Committee.

E. Archery Range

1. Compounds, recurves, longbows and crossbows are permitted on the range.
2. Broadheads can be shot on the archery range but must be restricted to those targets specifically designated for broadheads.
3. Unaccompanied children are not permitted on the elevated shooting platform or on the range.
4. No firearms or air guns permitted on this range

F. High Power Rifle Range

1. Shooting of longarms may be done from the standing (offhand), kneeling, sitting, and prone positions on the concrete pad as well as sitting at the shooting bench.
2. Targets must be attached to the frames so that the bullet impacts the downrange backstop.
3. Targets may not be placed on the ground because of ricochet hazard.
4. Center of target must be at a height of the muzzle above the shooting bench.
5. Sighting in or zeroing: initially place target at 25 yards and adjust sight or scope settings. Move targets to farther distances, in increments, only after shots are consistently striking the center of the target.
6. HANDGUNS on HP Range
 - a. Handguns may be fired on the HP Rifle Range ONLY if they have a 6" or longer barrel AND screw adjustable metallic or optical sights.
 - b. Handguns may be fired ONLY from Position #1.
 - c. Handguns may be fired ONLY while SEATED at the bench.
 - d. Handgun targets must be mounted at 50 yards or greater distance from the firing line.
 - e. Handguns may NOT be fired on the HP Rifle Range on Saturdays between 10 am and 1 pm.
7. All shooting will be done from the firing line only. No one is to be forward of the firing line while the range is hot.

G. Small Bore Rifle Range

1. Only .22 cal rimfire rifles can be fired on the range.
2. NO HANDGUNS may be fired on the small bore rifle range.
3. All shooting will be done from the firing line only. No one is to be forward of the firing line while the range is hot.

H. Indoor Air Pistol & Air Rifle Range

1. Airguns will be treated as firearms.
2. Only Sanctioned Events supervised by an authorized Range Officer or Coach.
3. Only target grade .177 pellet air guns with maximum velocity of 600 ft/sec.
4. Only paper targets mounted on the approved target stands.
5. The supervising Range Officer or Coach will insure the range is properly set up prior to shooting. After shooting the ballistic cloth and target stands must be correctly stored, chairs and tables returned to their original positions, and the target area cleaned.

6. All shooting will be done from the firing line only. No one is to be forward of the firing line while the range is hot.

VI. MUZZLELOADERS

1. Muzzleloading firearms will not be primed until they are on the firing line and pointed down range.
2. All loading, except when using prepared cartridges, will be done at a table at the rear of the firing line.

VII. HUNTING

No hunting of any kind is permitted on the property.

VIII. SUMMARY

- A. Safety is paramount at AAF&G. All members and their guests are expected to observe range/safety rules and shooting hours at all times without exception. If there is a question regarding range rules or safety issues, please contact a member of the safety committee or a member of the AAF&G Board of Directors for clarification.
- B. Members should look for special event or additional range-specific rules posted at ranges and in the clubhouse.
- C. If you observe a violation, inform the individual that their actions are in violation of club rules. Do not get into a confrontation over the violation. If they continue to violate range safety rules, report their actions to the Safety Committee or the AAF&G Board of Directors.
- D. Violation of any range safety rule may result in expulsion from the range and a review by the AAF&G Board of Directors, which may result in the loss of membership and/or visitation privileges.
- E. AAF&G appointed Range Safety Officers (RSOs) represent the Officers and Directors of AAF&G on Club Property in enforcing the Range Use and Safety Rules. Their decisions and directions must be followed at that time. Questions regarding a RSO's application of Club Rules should be brought to the Safety Committee.
- F. Willful violation of the Club Rules or failure to comply with a RSO will result in a review by the Board of Directors which may lead to the loss of membership and/or visitation privileges.