

BUNDABERG PISTOL CLUB Inc.

STANDING ORDERS

2013-2014

All Range Officers and range users are to sign below after reading these Standing Orders.

-------Please detach on dotted line, sign, and return to Club Secretary------

The Committee Bundaberg Pistol Club Inc

I have read and do understand the Standing Orders of the Bundaberg Pistol Club Inc.
I and agree to abide by these Standing Orders.

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Sign______ Please Print
Name_____
Date

SECTION 1 - GENERAL

These Range Standing Orders (SO's) cover the use of the range facility operated by the Bundaberg Pistol Club Inc.

All Range Officers and range users are required to read and sign these SO's yearly.

Requests for exemptions from any provisions of these SO's shall be submitted in writing to the Club Executive for consideration.

Revisions

These SO's have been published and revised on the dates listed below:

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SECTION 2 - RANGE FACILITY

2.1 Range Description

This range complex has multiple ranges. The description of the operational ranges is listed below:

- Range 1 10 bay Sports, Rimfire/Centerfire pistol.
- Range 2 10 bay Sports, Rimfire/Centerfire pistol and air pistol.
- Range 3 Not used
- Range 4 50m Free pistol / Service match, Air Pistol, Military Match, Rimfire Rifle & CF Rifle Cast Bullet Matches.
- Range 5 Metallic plates
- Range 6 0.22 Rifle.
- Range 7 Clay target.

RANGE 1

Location: Extreme left hand range - refer to site plan

Description: 25 m handgun range

No. Firing Points: 10

Firing Distances: 25m & 10m

Approved Firearms: Centre-fire, & .22" rimfire handguns and Air pistols

Maximum Approved Calibres: Handguns up to .38".

Approved Targets: Paper targets.

RANGE 2

Location:

To the right of Range 1, refer to site plan

Description:

25 m handgun range

No. of Firing Points:

10

Firing Distances:

25m & 10m

Approved Firearms:

Centre-fire, & .22" rimfire handguns and Air pistols

Maximum Approved Calibres:

Handguns up to .38".

Approved Targets:

Paper targets.

RANGE 4

Location:

Left of club house, refer site plan

Description:

50m Free/Service pistol, Military pistol, and rifle range

No. of Firing Points:

20

Firing Distances:

7, 10, 25, 50m

Approved Firearms:

Centre-fire & 22" rimfire handguns, .22" rifles, air pistols & CF Rifle cast bullet not above 1675 FPS

Handguns up to .38".

Maximum Approved Calibres: Approved Targets:

Paper targets

RANGE 5

Location:

Next of club house, refer site plan

Description:

Falling plates

No. of Firing Points:

2

Firing Distances:

7, 10, 25m.

Approved Firearms:

Centre-fire handguns

Maximum Approved Calibres:

Handguns up to .38".

Approved Targets:

Metallic plates with canopy.

RANGE 6

Location:

Next of club house, to the right of range 5.

Description:

0.22 Rifle range

No. of Firing Points:

4

Firing Distances:

40, 60, 77, 100m

Approved Firearms:

0.22 Rifles

Approved Targets:

Paper and metallic silhouette targets

RANGE 7

Location:

Behind ranges 1-6, refer site plan

Description:

Clay target

No. of Firing Points:

5

Firing Distances:

50-205 Maximum

Approved Firearms:

Shotgun

Maximum Approved Calibres:

12 gauge

Approved Targets:

Clays

SECTION 3 - PERSONNEL

3.1 Range Officer (RO)

The RO has complete authority on the range property to conduct authorised shooting practices and matches.

RO's must hold a current Queensland weapons licence. The Range Officer's name is to be clearly displayed at any active range.

RO's have the responsibility to supervise all personnel (shooting and non-shooting alike) present on the property and may have members and/or non-members removed at his/her discretion.

Unlicensed Shooters. In accordance with Section 53 of the Weapons Act, Unlicensed shooters or licenced shooters who are not authorised to possess the weapon he/she proposes to physically possess and use must complete a Form 33. the first time they shoot at the range. The Range Officer must then sign the Form 33 in accordance with Sect 53(3) of the Weapons Act. A Form 33A must also be signed. For all subsequent visits until being granted an appropriate firearm licence a Form 33A must be signed. The Range Attendance Register Form 20 must also be signed.

3.2 Attendance and Membership

To retain Club Membership, licensed members with handguns must meet the legally required participation in each July – June financial year. Members' participation records must be completed at the end of a qualifying shoot and be countersigned by the range officer.

Members with 1 class of pistol must complete 6 shoots per financial year. Members with 2 or more classes of pistol must complete 4 shoots for each pistol class on separate days. Members with 2 or more classes of pistol may count two practice shoots as attendances. (These must be Club approved practice shoots)

Members who are unable to meet the Club attendance requirements should advise the Management Committee and seek advice regarding response to the Weapons Licensing Branch. The Management Committee will consider all such requests at their regular meetings.

The Management Committee will review the eligibility of all individual Club Members at least once per financial year.

In accordance with the legislation, licensed shooters must advise the Club Secretary of all Classes of firearms in their possession during July of each year. Classes are:

- HA Air Pistol
- HB Centre fire not more than .38 calibre or black powder pistol
- HC Centre fire more than .38 but not more than .45 calibre
- HD Rim fire pistol

3.3 Guests and Spectators

Guests (children and adults) are the responsibility of the adult club member who they came with and must remain under adult control at all times.

Spectators are the responsibility of the RO. The RO may appoint another club member to assist in supervision of spectators.

SECTION 4 - RANGE OPERATIONS

4.1 Flags

A RED flag must be flown from the flagpole at the main entrance to the complex when firing is being conducted on any range within the facility. Red flags are <u>not</u> to be flown when there is no shooting on the range. <u>During night shoots, red flags are to be either clearly illuminated or replaced by red lights.</u> Each individual range has specific flag(s), which must be flown when in use. They are:

RED flag at the entrance gate

RANGE 1

. RED flag at the entry to the range

RANGE 2

RED flag at the entry to the range

RANGE 4

RED flag at the entry to the range

RANGE 5

RED flag behind the shooting line

RANGE 6

RED flag behind the shooting line

RANGE 7

· RED flag behind the shooting line

4.2 TARGETS

- Range 1 Paper targets
- Range 2 Paper targets.
- Range 4 Paper targets.
- Range 5 Paper or steel reactive targets. Steel targets are to be enclosed within canopies.
- Range 6 Paper and metallic silhouette targets
- Range 7 Clay targets

At no time is glass, soft drink cans or any other non-approved or impromptu targets to be used on the range facility without the clearance of the Club Committee.

4.3 RANGE REGISTER

All shooters must sign the Range Attendance Register (Form 20 must be used and cannot be amended). This is to be maintained in accordance with the Weapons Act. Range Officers are to pay particular attention to the additional recording requirements for handgun ranges.

The Range Officer is required to physically sight participants' firearms licences. Club members and visitors who are not able to produce their licence will not be permitted to shoot as this would be in contravention of the Weapons Act.

Range Registers are to be tightly controlled to ensure that unauthorised people cannot access the details within them.

4.4 AMMUNITION

All spent cartridge cases or spent shells must be collected and disposed of in containers provided or removed from the range.

The use of tracer, incendiary, explosive or similar ammunition is prohibited.

The muzzle velocity and muzzle energy of ammunition is to conform to the conditions of the Range Approval/s. Rimfire maximum 1710 FPS, Centre fire and black power maximum 1675 FPS

Full metal jacket and ball ammunition are prohibited.

4.5 PERMITTED ARCS OF FIRE

The maximum permitted arcs of fire for each range are listed below:

RANGE 1

All shooting parallel to the centre line

RANGE 2

All shooting parallel to the centre line

RANGE 4

No greater than 5° to the centre line

RANGE 5

No greater than 5° to the centre line

RANGE 6

No greater than 5° to the centre line

RANGE 7

No greater than 35° to the centre line. No larger than No. 7 shot

4.6 FIRING

The following firing guidelines are applicable to all ranges on the complex:

- Shooting is only to occur between 9 AM and 5 PM Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8 AM and 5 PM Saturday, 8 AM and 1 PM Sunday..
- No firing if target visibility is reduced as determined by the RO.
- Shooters with loaded firearms must be under RO direction.
- Firearms shall never be left unattended.
- Any person who believes there may be a risk to people, livestock or property must call a cease-fire.
- Also refer to the rules for closures described in paragraph 4.8.

4.7 SAFETY ZONES

Each range has a safety (danger) area designed for specific firearms and calibres. These areas are out of bounds (no trespassing) areas designed to contain overshoot and ricocheting bullets. Every reasonable effort shall be extended by the RO to ensure that the safety area does not have people in it during range operations.

4.8 ROAD/RANGE CLOSURE DURING RANGE OPERATIONS

Due to the configurations of the range complex specific road and range closures must be in effect during the operations of certain ranges. These closures are listed below:

Closure
Can be used concurrently with all ranges except range 7
Range 6 must be closed while range 5 in use
Range 5 must be closed while range 6 in use
All other ranges must be closed when range 7 in use

4.9 FUMBLE / PRACTICE AREA

The designated safety area (Fumble Zone) is situated inside range 4. These are for gun handling/dry fire practice during competition. **No Live Ammunition** may be taken into or handled in any Designated Safety Area under any circumstances.

4.10 STORAGE

All handguns must be holstered or cased after clearance by Range Officer and magazines removed except while on an active firing line or while in the inspection area. Firearms are always to be pointed downrange when not holstered.

4.11 MATCH COMPLETION

At the conclusion of all matches or practices the RO will ensure that:

- · all targets frames are returned to the storage shed;
- · firing points are checked for brass and other debris;
- all firearms and ammunition have been removed from the range;
- · all flags are lowered; and
- buildings and entrance gate are locked

SECTION 5 -RANGE SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

5.1 COMMUNICATIONS

5.2 SPECTATORS

Spectators will follow all directions given to them by the Range Officer or delegated Club member. Spectators must remain 5 meters behind any active firing line or the designated spectator areas.

5.3 HEARING AND EYE PROTECTION

Hearing protection for all attendees at the range in near proximity to an active firing line is mandatory.

Eye protection for all attendees at the range in near proximity to an active firing line is mandatory.

5.4 ALCOHOL/DRUGS

Any person deemed by the RO to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be permitted to shoot.

5.5 SMOKING

Due to the extreme fire hazard in the range area, smoking is not permitted in wooded areas.

Smoking is not permitted within 10m of any blackpowder firearms being used or loaded.

Smoking is not permitted on any firing point.

Smoking is only permitted in the designated areas.

Smokers should be encouraged to wash their hands after shooting and before smoking due to the hazard posed by the possible ingestion of lead.

Smoking is not permitted in the canteen or in close proximity to the canteen.

All smoking materials (butts, etc.) are to be disposed of in the containers provided.

5.6 PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

Appropriate clothing must be worn at all times. Clothing must provide protection to the shooter but not hinder the safe operation of the firearms being used.

Appropriate enclosed footwear is to be worn at all times.

Clothing that assists the shooter and is contrary to the rules of the competition being shot is to be removed from the range.

5.7 FIRST AID KIT

A first aid kit is to be located at office and canteen room. The locations of first aid kits are to be clearly visible by a Red Cross logo.

SECTION 6 - EMERGENCY INFORMATION

6.1 <u>EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS</u>

For emergencies call 000.

The following are non-emergency contact numbers.

Fire -

- 000

Ambulance

- 000

Police Doctor - 13 1444 Non Urgent

Friendlies Hospital

07 4331 1000 A/H 07 4331 1777

- Base Hospital

07 4150 2222

A list of these emergency phone numbers is to be clearly displayed at the clubhouse and to the rear of the firing lines.
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