

**Davie County Law Enforcement Association**

# **RANGE SAFETY AND OPERATION RULES**

The Club's Range Rules & Regulations are established to assure the health and safety of everyone who uses the facilities as well as the community at large.

## **SAFETY FIRST**

1. Always treat every gun as if it is loaded.
2. Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.
3. Never point your gun at anything you are not willing to destroy.
4. Keep your finger off the trigger until the gun is lined up on the target.

## **GENERAL PROTOCOLS**

1. The Club's facilities are operated as a "Hot range". All exposed firearms may contain ammunition. Exception to this rule is at the discretion of the Firearms instructor running the range during training.
2. Shooters must always be considerate of others using the range.
3. Before a firing line or shooting bay is "cold," all shooters on the firing line or shooting bay must acknowledge the "cold" call. As shooters wearing hearing protection may not hear the command, double check to assure that all shooters on the firing line or shooting bay acknowledge the "cold" command. The firing line or shooting bay, however, is not fully "cold" until all shooters have properly secured their firearms by placing the firearm down action open (pistols may be holstered)

4. When the firearm is properly secured and the shooter is away from the firearm, each shooter should call, "line clear." When all shooters acknowledge "line clear", the firing line or shooting bay is "cold" and shooters may proceed downrange to set or change targets.
5. Firearms may not be touched or handled during "cold" range periods, no exceptions.
6. When a shooter returns to the firing line or shooting bay area, he or she should shout "range clear" to indicate they are out of the active firing area. When all shooters are "range clear," it is "range hot." At this point, shooters may return to their firing positions and resume handling firearms.

### **GENERAL RULES FOR ALL AREAS**

1. The Davie County Law Enforcement Association range facility is private nonprofit and is accessible to members and guests only. Always keep the gate closed and locked when not on site.
  - **Exception:** Authorized organizers of scheduled training or other events open to the public may choose to leave the gate open and unlocked during the period in which the training or other event is occurring.
2. All firing lines and shooting bays will be kept open and available for usage by Club members in good standing, and their guests, as much of the time as is practical. Firing lines and shooting bays may be closed for scheduled events by Local law enforcement and public training opportunities. These closures will be published on the Club's Internet website in as far in advance as is reasonably possible.
3. During competitive matches, qualification or other similar events, one or more qualified firearms instructors or certified range Safety Officers are required on the range. Specific range rules may be modified by the Match Director as required for the event.
4. Arrange targets so that bullets strike the impact berms after hitting the target. ALL SHOTS FIRED MUST REMAIN ON CLUB PROPERTY.

5. Hours of operation are Sunrise to 10 pm Monday to Saturday excluding Wednesday; Wednesday hours are Sunrise to 6:45pm. and 8 pm to 10 pm. No Sunday Shooting.
6. The following are specifically **prohibited at the range at all times:**
  - (a) Use or consumption of alcoholic beverages.
  - (b) Possession of illegal or recreational drugs.
  - (c) Glass bottles, as well as fruits, vegetables and other organic matter as targets.
  - (d) "Horseplay" of any kind at any time.
  - (e) Any comments or behaviors a member may reasonably interpret as belligerent, hostile or threatening.
  - (f) Offensive targets such as those depicting pictures or images of elected officials and/or prominent people, religious or ethnic imagery, etc.
7. No hunting is allowed on range property.
8. Members may bring as many as two (2) non-member guests each visit. The member assumes responsibility for the actions of their guests while at the Club.
9. Two range flags must be flying before firing may commence. The range flag at road must be up and gate closed when shooting across the parking lot and a range flag must be raised on the pole nearest the range house or the range light before any firing may begin.
10. Club target frames are provided for member convenience. Targets should be mounted to the frames so that bullets impacting the targets do not also impact the target frames. Target frames should be at sufficient height so that rounds passing through the target impact the berm at the far end of the range.

11. Steel or reactive targets are permitted but with pistol caliber rounds only No shotgun or rifle ammo will be used on steel targets. Exception to this is an agency or member owned target with authorization from the firearms instructor. Remember to use safe firing distances with steel
12. The Club requires that eye and ear protection be worn by all persons in a firing line or shooting bay or within close proximity to a firing line or shooting bay.
13. Every member is responsible for cleaning up his or her area after firing. All center-fire metallic cartridges must be picked up and placed in 55 gal. Drum. Shotgun shells as well as any other trash such as empty food packaging, beverage containers, ammunition boxes, etc. will be carried off from facility when you leave.
14. Target center-of-mass may be no more than 5'6" (66") above the flat ground level of the pistol bay in use, whether the targets are freestanding or mounted in the berm itself.
15. No shooting the range props or barricades.

#### **AREA SPECIFIC RULES - 100 YARD RIFLE RANGE**

\*No rules at this time, will be updated when range is complete.

#### **AREA SPECIFIC RULES - SKEET RANGE**

1. All shots will be low brass #6 or higher.
2. No firing on pistol/rifle range and skeet field at same time

## **VIOLATION OF RULES**

Violation of these rules may subject the violator to such disciplinary action as the Club's Board of Directors, acting on behalf of the Club's Membership, may impose and notification of violation to the members supervisor/Chief/Sheriff. This may include expulsion from the Davie County Law Enforcement Association and/or criminal charges may result if the situation dictates they are appropriate.