

NEW RIFLE RANGE OPERATION & RULES

Upon arrival:

1. If red flag is out at front of shelter, the range is in use. If the yellow flashing lights are on when you enter the range it is cold (cannot be used – someone down range) and you must not go in front of the yellow safety line until the lights are turned off and the range is declared hot. Follow all commands of the person who has assumed the position of range officer (there can only be one).
2. If the red flag is not on display, put it out front in the holder so others will know that the range is in use. When you go down range to hang targets turn on the yellow caution lights and unhook chain at the pass-through. When you return, walk to and check all three viewing points to insure no one is down range (left “X” ----- center “X” ----- right “X”) then hook chain on pass-through and turn off the yellow caution lights. The range is then hot.
3. If others come with you or after you, one person should assume the responsibilities of range officer which include:
 - a) Overall safety of the range, and that all rules are being followed.
 - b) Calling cease fires for mutually agreed upon target changes, make sure all firearms are safe and anyone not going down range stays behind the yellow safety line, and then turning on the yellow caution lights and unhooking the chain on the pass-through.
 - c) Make sure by visually inspecting the three viewing points that no one is down range before attaching chain at pass-through and turning off caution lights and then declare the range hot.
4. If you are the last one leaving the range, take down the red flag and place in the holder.

Site Specific Rules

1. Hours:
 - Mon. – Fri.: 9am to 8:59pm or dark (whichever is first)
 - Sat. & Sun.: 10am to 8:59pm or dark (whichever is first)The range is open 365 days a year unless rented.
2. Range I.D. card on NEW BLUE lanyard must be worn at all times when on the range.
3. Form must be filled out and any monies paid BEFORE using the range.
4. A maximum of two guests are allowed per member.
5. No vehicles are allowed downrange, use the parking lot.
6. Hearing & eye protection must be worn at all times by all people on the range.

7. The use of alcohol and drugs on the range is prohibited.
8. Pistol shooters must have a valid NYS pistol permit. Rifle shooters must be at least 18 years old with the exception that children under 18 may shoot when supervised by a parent or guardian.
9. Absolutely no handling of firearms when the range is declared cold.
10. Use staplers only on the target boards, not on the posts benches etc.
11. Only paper targets may be used and only on the target boards. No bottles, cans, metal targets or binary explosive targets.
12. Only NYS legal firearms and ammunition can be used.
13. Open chamber indicators must be used at all times when not shooting. These are available in most sporting goods stores or at the TSC shoot room.
14. Use only proper target or hunting ammunition. No tracer, incendiary or armor piercing.
15. All firearms on benches or mats must have muzzles pointed downrange at all times.
16. All firearms must be unloaded with magazines removed with the bolt open and an open chamber indicator installed when entering or leaving the range. Unloaded firearms may be transported with the action closed if they are cased.
17. There are no specified shooting periods, if someone is waiting keep your session to one hour. Give everyone the courtesy you would expect.
18. Only bench and prone rifle shooting is allowed on the range, there will be no offhand (standing) shooting.
19. New firearms and optics must be zeroed at the fifty yard berm, not the 100 or 200 yard berms.
20. Only place your targets in your lane, they are all numbered. Do not place targets on the posts or other devices or holders not supplied by the club.
21. There are pistol positions at 7 and 25 yards, these are for pistol only. Only one target frame should be used. If shooting 7yd. or 25 yd., the other frame should be down. If shooting 50yd., both frames should be down.
22. This is only a known distance range with positions at 50, 100 and 200 yards. There will be no maneuvering and shooting etc. This is not a combat range.
23. Dry firing is to be treated as live firing for all the above rules.
24. Visitors and spectators must stand behind the yellow safety line.

General Safety Rules:

ALWAYS keep the gun pointed in a safe direction

ALWAYS keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot

ALWAYS keep the gun unloaded until ready to use

ALWAYS know your target and what is beyond it