

TSC OUTDOOR RIFLE RANGE

This range is a private range and is available to members of TSC that are in good standing and have taken the appropriate training courses and possess the correct credentials.

This means your Membership ID card and BLUE LANYARD must be present and visible.

Guests (up to 2 additional shooters) are allowed only when accompanied by members of TSC with the proper credentials.

The member is responsible for all activities and violations incurred by guests they escort. Actions of your guests could have your ability to use the ranges revoked.

This range is not open to the general public. Any non-member found on the range without escort should be asked to leave immediately. If there is any issue, a member of the Rifle Committee should be alerted. Violators will be prosecuted.

Hearing & eye protection must be worn at all times by all people on the range is active.

The use or being under the influence of alcohol and drugs on the range is prohibited.

Acquiring Credentials to the Outdoor Rifle Range

TSC Members in good standing are required to take a 30-minute training course on the material in this document.

Upon successful completion of the range qualification and 30-minute course a Blue lanyard will be issued.

Arriving & Setting up at the Range

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.

All firearms transported to the range should be unloaded and cased with the exception of legally carried/concealed firearms. Firearms should never come out of the case or be handled until at the firing line.

No vehicles are allowed downrange, The parking lot outside of the shooting structure should be used.

The reg flag outside of the entrance should be put on display if it not out upon your arrival. This will signal that the range is in use.

Choose a firing position and fill out the logbook located in the center of the range on the bench. A range slip will need to be filled out if any family/guests are present. With the filled-out range slip, pay any guest / family range fees and drop envelope in the box the back of the range.

Guest Fee - \$10

Family Fee - \$3

If the yellow flashing lights are on or the yellow flag is displayed when you enter the range it is cold, meaning someone is downrange. You must remain behind yellow safety line until all individuals downrange have returned and the light has turned off and the range is declared hot. Do not approach the bench, even to drop off equipment. You may go down range however to hang targets.

Permitted Firearm Calibers and Ammunition

Only NYS legal firearms and ammunition can be used.

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.

Rifle Stations

- Rifles using cartridges smaller than 50BMG
- Shotguns utilizing slugs

Pistol shooters must have a valid NYS pistol permit or those authorized under current NYS law

Pistol Stations

- Handguns chambered in a straight walled pistol cartridge (Ex: 9mm, 38SPL/Mag, 40S&W, 44SPL/Mag, 45ACP, 50AE, etc.)
- Handguns firing necked cartridges such as 5.7x28mm, 357 Sig and rounds under 2000fps.
- Any handgun or long gun using a Rimfire cartridge (Ex: 17HMR, 22LR, 22WMR)
- Pistol Caliber Carbines chambered in 9mm, 40S&W, 45ACP, 38-40, 44-40
 - Any round used should be less than 2000fps
- Bullet types allowed include FMJ, JHP, Lead, Coated, Biodegradable-Airsoft, Pellet Guns.

Non-Permitted Firearm Calibers and Ammunition

- 50BMG
- Any shotgun scatter type shotgun ammunitions
- Handguns on Rifle Stations
- Centerfire rifles on Pistol Stations
- No tracers or incendiaries
- No armor piercing ammunition
- No Non-biodegradable Airsoft, Rubber balls, Paintball, Simunitions or other marking type ammunitions.

Note: Any unsafe use of the range or violation of any rules will result in the Member losing their right to use the range. Severe violations will result in expulsion from the Club.

The Firing Line

The bench on the range acts as the firing line for all shooters.

No more than 1 active shooters per position. If there are more shooters, use an additional firing position.

No shooters should ever be in front of the firing line while the line is active.

The firing line while active is the line where it is acceptable to handle firearms. Absolutely no handling of firearms should occur while not at the firing line.

All firearms should be brought to the firing line cased and unloaded. Once at the firing line they may be uncased for use or maintenance. Before leaving the firing line they must be unloaded and re-cased. If a firearm is to be moved to a different station, it must be unloaded and cased or flagged. It should never be passed behind another person uncased.

Concealed firearms may be brought to the line loaded. They may leave the line loaded as well, however they must be holstered and not handled again until the shooter returns to the line.

Setting Targets

When you go down range to hang targets after a cease fire is called and all firearms are cleared and flagged or bagged, turn on the yellow caution lights or hang the yellow flag and unhook chain at the pass-through.

Shooters are only permitted to use the target boards associated with the lane they are on. No using boards on different lanes.

Use staplers only on the target boards, not on the posts benches etc.

Do not place targets on the posts or other devices or holders not supplied by the club.

This is only a known distance range with positions at 50, 100 and 200 yards.

Members supply their own targets. Only Paper and Cardboard should be used. No bottles, cans, metal targets or binary explosive targets.

When you return, walk to and check all three viewing points to insure no one is down range. Once downrange has been verified clear hook chain on pass-through and turn off the yellow caution lights and replace the yellow flag into its holder. The range is then hot. Shooters may approach the bench and resume activities.

Shooting and Handling at the Firing Line

All firearms MUST be transported unloaded (no magazine and live ammunition) in a case, bag or box appropriate for the storage/transport of firearms. The box/case should be fully closed and secured (snapped, zippered, etc).

Carry/Concealed Firearms

- **If you are not planning on shooting your concealed firearm, it may stay loaded and concealed.**
- **If you are planning to use a firearm that you are already carrying, it must remain holstered until you are at the firing line. Once at the line it should be cleared and rules in this section followed.**
- **Once a carry/concealed firearm has been cleared it is considered being used at the range. Any time you step off the line it must be cleared and re-holstered, flagged or bagged. You may not transition a loaded-carry/concealed gun and a range gun several times in the same session to avoid unloading before stepping off the line.**
- **When finished with your carry/concealed firearm for the day, you are permitted to reload your firearm and holster/conceal it. This should be done at the firing line.**

At the firing line, firearms may be uncased to be fired, worked on, or holstered.

The only time a firearm is loaded is at the firing line. If you are stepping off the line, unload the firearm and flag or case it.

In general, keep the number of firearms that are out to a minimum. If you are not using or intending to use it, put it away.

All firearms must be pointed downrange at all times. This includes while shooting, loading and unloading as well as casing/bagging. If a muzzle breaks the 180 this is considered unsafe gun handling.

All shooting must be done from the bench. Shooters are not permitted to shoot in front of the bench outside of sanctioned events.

Dry firing is to be treated as live firing for all the above rules.

Only bench and prone rifle shooting is allowed on the range, there will be no offhand (standing) shooting.

New firearms and optics must be zeroed at the fifty yard berm, not the 100 or 200 yard berms.

Pistol Stations

There are pistol positions at 7 and 15 yards, these are for pistol only. Only one target frame should be used. If shooting 7yd. or 15 yd., the other frame should be down. If shooting 50yd., both frames should be down.

Drawing from a holster is not permitted on the Outdoor Rifle Range. However, it is permitted on the outdoor pistol range.

Going Downrange

After a while, shooters will need to head down range to repair, replace, re-position or remove targets. During this time, a cease fire will need to be called.

To call a cease fire, inform all shooters on the range that you wish to go down range.

All shooters should finish any shooting they are in the middle of in a reasonable amount of time and should unload/clear their firearms and case or flag them. Any case/bag used must be zippered or snapped shut to be considered properly closed.

Once all firearms are cleared and put away, all shooters should give a confirmation that all firearms are cleared/cased/flagged/holstered either with a thumbs up or verbally. Everyone remaining up range should step behind the Yellow line at the back of the range. The switch to the flashing yellow light should be moved to the "ON" position. If the light is not functioning, use the yellow flag in the same area. Once all shooters have confirmed and everyone is behind the yellow line, the range should be called clear and shooters may go down range. Always check the firing line to ensure it is clear before stepping in front of it.

No one is permitted to approach the bench or step in front of the yellow line until everyone downrange has crossed the Red line at the front of the bench.

Once the last shooter down range returns across the firing line, give a verbal queue or signal. The flashing yellow light should have turned off by moving the switch to the "OFF" position. If the yellow flag was used, return it to its holder. At that time everyone may approach the firing line bench and resume firearm handling / shooting may resume.

Clean Up

Leave the range as good or better than how you found it.

Dispose of all targets in the trash cans located by the rear of the range.

Pickup your spent brass and discard in the buckets provided.

If any firearms are outside of their cases, anyone remaining up range must be behind the yellow line. If all firearms are secured and put away, people may be at the bench.

If you are the last one leaving the range, take down the red flag and place in the holder.

Report any damage to the Rifle Committee at Rifle@tonsportsclub.com

Violations and Safety Infringements

TSC takes the safety at the ranges and of its members very seriously.

The club has started to invest in video surveillance and will be actively monitoring the recordings. Just because you are at the range alone, doesn't mean the rules shouldn't be followed. Footage may be reviewed at any time after the fact.

Where individuals are found to be in violation of rules and safety guidelines, actions will be taken based on the severity of the infraction.

Upon completion of investigation and after presenting evidence gathered, the Rifle Committee by majority vote of the committee shall have the authority to counsel, suspend or revoke a members access rights to the rifle range as deemed necessary.

Disposition and steps to restore access will be provided to the member by the committee.

Serious or repeated violations will be escalated to the Board of Directors as necessary for further action as required.

This document is not an all-inclusive list but provides some guidelines. Please consult with TSC Rifle Committee for clarification or to report issues.