

**Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia (Tasmania)  
Oakdale Pistol Club Inc.  
Club Policy & Safety Rules**



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Oakdale Pistol Club Inc.**

**Club Policy & Safety Rules**

**Section 1. Club Policy**

**1. Name and Aim**

a) Name

- i) The Club shall be known as the Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia (Tasmania) Oakdale Pistol Club Inc.
- ii) Abbreviated name shall be S.S.A.A. Oakdale Pistol Club Inc., Oakdale Pistol Club and referred to in this document as "the Association" or "the Club".

b) Aim

The Aim of the club is to promote all aspects of the sport of target shooting, to participate in State, National and International competitions and to teach the responsible and safe use of sporting firearms for target shooting.

**2. Interpretation & Definitions**

a) Interpretations

In this document unless inconsistent with the context:

- i) a reference to the singular number includes a reference to the plural number and vice versa.
- ii) a reference to any gender includes a reference to the other genders and each of them.
- iii) a reference to person includes only natural persons.

b) Definitions

In this document, the following words and expressions shall have the meanings set out against them:

- i) "Adult" means a person 18 years of age or older.
- ii) "Member" used without qualification of membership type means a person listed as current member, regardless of the classification of such membership.
- iii) "Minor" means a person under the age of 18 years.
- iv) "Pensioner" means a person in possession of the Commonwealth Health Benefits Card.
- v) "Senior" means a person 70 years of age or older.
- vi) "Renton's" means the latest version published of "Guide for Meetings and Organisations" by N.E. Renton.
- vii) The term "Junior" has been depreciated and is no longer used - see "Minor".

### 3. *Membership*

- a) Membership of the Association shall be open to persons with an interest in the sport of target shooting who:
  - i) Hold a valid adult firearms licence with the appropriate category and target shooting endorsement:  
or  
Hold a minors permit with the appropriate category.
  - ii) Subscribe to the objectives of the Association and agree to abide by the provisions of the Association's constitution.
  - iii) Are natural persons who are members of the Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia may be admitted to the membership of S.S.A.A. Oakdale Pistol Club Inc.
- b) In the interest of the Association the Committee may suspend new applications at any time for a period determined by the Committee.
- c) Only people of good character will be considered for membership of the Association.
- d) Admission to membership shall be with the approval of the Committee (upon receiving an application for membership) and subject to the applicant meeting all the applicable legislative and regulatory requirements of the state of Tasmania.
- e) There are four (4) membership types:
  - i) Individual Membership
    - a) In addition to satisfying the required conditions in clause 3 paragraphs a), c) and d) Individual Membership must also:
      - (1) Have T01 Oakdale as their nominated Sporting Shooters' Association of Australia home branch; and
      - (2) Hold a valid adult firearms license with a category "H" target shooting endorsement.
  - ii) Associate Membership
    - a) In addition to satisfying the required conditions in clause 3 paragraphs a), c) and d) Associate Membership must also either:
      - (1) Have a nominated SSAA home branch other than T01 Oakdale; and or
      - (2) Have an adult firearms license without a category "H" target shooting endorsement; and or
      - (3) Be a minor holding a minor's permit.
    - b) Changing from Associate Membership to Individual Membership:
      - (1) The Member must satisfy all the required conditions for Individual Membership (see clause 3.e.i)
      - (2) Associate Members holding a minors permit who successfully obtain an adult firearms license, including a category 'H' target shooting endorsement, within three months of becoming 18 years of age will have their membership category changed to Individual.

- (3) All others shall be with approval of the Committee upon receiving a written application.
- iii) Honorary Membership.
- iv) Life Membership:
- a) Life Membership shall be granted according to the constitution.
  - b) To meet the rationale for Life Membership of SSAA Oakdale Pistol Club the member shall be an individual member with 25 years continuous membership which must include a minimum of 5 years' service as either a committee member or discipline captain:
  - c) Life Members shall be exempt from working bee attendance and shall pay a reduced subscription and range fee.
- f) Applicants for membership must serve a minimum probation period of three calendar months. During this period, applicants are required to attend at least five (5) introduction/information sessions before their application is considered complete and submitted to the committee for approval. Applicants must complete their five (5) sessions within six (6) calendar months, or they must start the probation period again.
- i) If a potential applicant wishes to try target shooting and does not have a target shooting endorsed firearms licence, they must fill in an Application for an Exemption from Tasmania Police. This application will allow a one-time only shooting attendance at an approved club. If the new applicant wishes to continue with the sport, the exemption application must be forwarded to Firearms Services where they will conduct a character check to ensure the applicant is suitable for an exemption. If the application is successful, the club and the applicant will be notified, and they can continue to shoot at that club until membership and a firearms licence is granted. The exemption is valid for six (6) months, unless revoked by the Commissioner of Police, and only applies to the club it was issued to. Tasmania Police will only issue one (1) exemption to any person.
- g) The successful applicant, upon approval by the committee, is entitled to join the club and shall pay a joining fee plus a pro rata amount of the annual subscription and range fee calculated from the date the application was lodged. (*See Appendix, 1.*)
- h) The committee, upon receipt of the above fees, will notify Firearms Services and the applicant can then apply for the appropriate category and target shooting endorsed firearms licence. As the correctly endorsed licence is essential for membership of the club, the committee requires evidence that the police have approved the applicant and granted the appropriately endorsed firearms licence. (*A photocopy of the licence is sufficient.*)

#### 4. ***Fees - Membership & Range***

- a) The Committee shall fix, and from time to time, may vary the annual subscription fee payable by members.
- b) The membership year shall commence on 1 July and conclude on 30 June each year.
- c) Club members shall pay an annual subscription and range fee. (*See Appendix, 1.*)
- d) Pensioners, seniors, minors, and Life Members shall pay a reduced annual subscription. (*See Appendix, 1.*)

- e) The annual subscription and range fee is due and payable on or before the 21st of July each year.
- i) Clause 5.8 of the club constitution states “All Members must pay their annual S.S.A.A. subscription and branch member fees not later than twenty-eight (28) days after the date they fall due. (For the avoidance of doubt no voting rights exist during the twenty-eight (28) day period of grace past the due date until the fees are paid) Failure to comply with this Rule shall automatically constitute forfeiture of membership of S.S.A.A. OAKDALE PISTOL CLUB INC.
- f) A member may at any time, by giving notice in writing to the Secretary, resign their membership of the Association, but shall continue to be liable for any annual subscription and/or arrears due and unpaid at the date of resignation.
- g) Firearms Services will be notified if an individual ceases to be a member of the Association (reference rule 4.e.i, 4.f or is expelled).
- h) Visitor Range Fees:
- i) Visiting shooters to the S.S.A.A. Oakdale Pistol Club range shall pay a range fee. (See Appendix, 1.)
- ii) Visitor Range Fee Exemption:
- No additional range fee shall be charged to non-members during invitation or sanctioned matches where entry fees are involved.
  - No range fee shall be charged to minor non-members providing they are members of the S.S.A.A.

## 5. *Applications*

All applications are subject to committee approval and police approval of a target shooting endorsed firearms licence.

## 6. *Obligations of Members*

- a) Members shall conduct themselves in a fair and sportsman like manner at all times and shall not bring the club or the sport of target shooting into disrepute. ***Abusive language, flaring tempers and general misconduct*** on the range will not be tolerated and will be dealt with by the committee.
- b) Members must respect the right of people on the firing line to quiet whilst they are preparing for a stage/event. This applies to everyone behind the firing line and to RO's unless there is a safety concern or assistance is required.
- c) Members shall, within fourteen (14) days, notify the club secretary and Firearms Services of change of name and/or address.
- d) Members must take all reasonable precaution to ensure the transport, safekeeping and storage of any firearm held by them is in compliance with the current **Firearms Act**.
- e) All firearms used on the range must be registered and only used in accordance with the current **Firearms Act** and Range Approval.

- f) Each member of the club shall make themselves familiar with the provisions of the **Firearms Act** and **Regulations** made there under. Failure on the part of members to observe the requirements of the **Act** and **Regulations** may render the club liable to have its approval revoked by the Commissioner of Police.
- g) Each member shall comply with the provisions of this policy. Any member who fails to comply with the provisions of this clause or the provisions of paragraph 6 (e) shall be liable to disciplinary action as provided therein and the constitution.

## 7. ***Visitors***

SSAA Oakdale Pistol Club Inc. provides facilities and operates for its members. Several disciplines hold title, open and invitational matches throughout the year that specifically cater for visitors. Visitors are generally welcome at normal Club matches on a space available basis.

- a) The Club's representative (Discipline Captain, RO, or any Committee member) reserves the right on the day to refuse participation by any visitor in any event for any reason.
- b) Visitors are bound by the same rules of conduct and legal responsibilities as members.
- c) Visitors to this club are required to behave as guests to our "home" and to act accordingly. Belligerent, aggressive, or disruptive behaviours will not be tolerated.
- d) The Club reserves the right to ban individuals from participating at Club events or from being present on any Club precinct.

## 8. ***Infringement of Rules***

- a) The Committee shall have the power, as stated in the constitution, to bring a member before them to answer any substantiated claim of rule infringement.
- e) The Committee shall have the power, as stated in the constitution, to penalise any member who cannot reasonably refute any such claim of rule infringement. Such penalties may be in the form of censure, suspension or similar as provided in the constitution.

## 9. ***Expulsion of Members from the Club***

A member may be expelled for gross misconduct, serious or constant infringement of the rules or constant safety violations.

If a member is found guilty of conduct, which in the opinion of the Committee is prejudicial to the interests of the Association, the Committee shall have the power, by resolution, to censure, suspend or expel the member from the Association and, in the latter case, to erase their name from the register of the Association.

An expulsion shall be conducted as per the constitution.

## 10. ***Attendance***

- a) Individual Members, Associate Members and Life Members shall attend a minimum of four (4) rostered shooting fixtures per calendar year. (*January 1 to December 31*)

- i) Minors are exempt from the attendance requirement of Clause 10. a) but are encouraged to attend the range and to be involved in club activities as often as possible,
- b) Individual and Associate Members shall attend and actively engage in range maintenance at a minimum of two (2) organised working bees per financial year. (*July 1 to June 30*) Failure to meet this requirement shall incur a levy for each non-attendance. (*See Appendix, 2 i.*) This will be added to the annual subscription and range fee as a working bee levy.
  - i) Committee, Sub-Committee (discipline captains), Seniors and minors will be exempt from incurring working bee levies.
  - ii) It is each member's responsibility to sign the working bee attendance record. If the record is not signed, then no attendance will be recognised.
- c) The committee or discipline captain may rule that an attendance by a member is not a bona fide attendance if it is outside of normal attendance expectations.
- d) The committee and/or the discipline captain may rule that: "Work performed outside an organised working bee can, if recognised worth as such, be recorded as bona fide attendance to a working bee".

## 11. ***Range Officers***

The Committee maintains a list of Club approved Range Officers. The Range Officers primary responsibility is safety.

- a) A Club approved RO must oversee all events.
- b) Members wishing Club Range Officer certification can apply to the Committee. A training program is in place.
- c) A Range Officers decision is final on the day. No arguments or verbal abuse of an RO will be tolerated.
- d) Appeals or disagreements with a Range Officer's decision are to be submitted to the Committee.
- e) A Range Officer may take appropriate action including disqualifying a shooter from further participation in the match, expelling any individual from the range or terminating further activities on the range.
- f) It is the RO's responsibility to maintain decorum on and behind the firing line whilst people are trying to prepare for a stage/event.
- g) Range Officers are volunteers and if the circumstance dictates may refuse to RO anyone.

## 12. ***Title and Duties of Officers***

See **S.S.A.A. Oakdale Pistol Club Inc.** constitution for committee members.

The committee is empowered by the constitution to act as necessary to enforce the rules as set out in this policy document.



Sub Committee - Discipline Captains: (*Discipline captains may be on the club committee.*)

To report directly to the club committee there shall be:

**Discipline Captains:**

- i) Rimfire Silhouette Pistol Captain
  - ii) Centrefire Silhouette Pistol Captain
  - iii) Field Pistol Silhouette Pistol Captain
  - iv) Cowboy Rifle Silhouette Pistol Captain
  - v) IPSC Practical Pistol Captain
  - vi) Assistant IPSC Practical Pistol Captain
  - vii) Service Pistol Captain
  - viii) Assistant Service Pistol Captain
  - ix) Action Pistol Captain
  - x) Assistant Action Pistol Captain
  - xi) Slowfire Pistol Captain
  - xii) Single Action Pistol Captain
- a) Discipline Captains:
- Shall coordinate all activities related or delegated to their discipline.
  - Shall collect all fees due from visiting shooters.
  - Shall report any safety violation or misconduct on the range to the committee.
  - Silhouette Pistol Captains may assist with the running of Cowboy Lever Action Rifle Silhouette matches.
  - Assistant Pistol Captains (as varied from time to time) shall assist with and as required by absence, assume the position of the Pistol Captain.
- b) Discipline Captains shall have the power, as set out in the constitution, to suspend any member from the range, for the day, for any safety violation or for severe violations of *paragraph 6 (a)*.
- c) Range Officers may be appointed on the day by discipline captains to assist with and/or conduct the match. They shall fulfil all duties and requirements asked of them and will report to the captain who appointed them. The range officer shall report any safety violation or misconduct on the range to the captain who appointed them.
- d) Discipline Captains and Range Officers must be an adult member.

13. ***Club Handguns & Ammunition***

- a) The committee may purchase and/or acquire handguns that it deems necessary for use by new members and for safety instruction. These shall be available to all club members.
- b) The club president or nominated member shall, on behalf of the club, hold the registration issued in respect of each handgun owned by the club. This person shall be known as the registered holder/club armourer on behalf of the club and in the following sub clauses as the holder. Club guns are subject to the conditions listed below:
  - i) The registered holder may issue a club gun to a discipline captain for use in that discipline provided a signed document stating the issuance has taken place.

- ii.) Club guns may only be used on the Oakdale Pistol Club range by an Oakdale member or an Oakdale probationary member who holds a valid exemption. Committee approval may be obtained to use club guns at other ranges.
  - iii.) The holder/discipline captain shall take all reasonable precautions to ensure that club guns are stored, transported, and used in accordance with the **Firearms Act** and **Regulations**.
  - iv.) The holder/discipline captain must remain in proximity of the club gun while it is used at a club match, i.e. both the holder and the user are present at the same match.
  - v.) A record be kept of the use of club handguns – this can either be a notebook for each firearm or a notation in the range attendance register.
- c) The committee may, from time to time, purchase factory ammunition for exclusive use by probationary members. This ammunition is subject to the following conditions:
- i) Club ammunition can only be purchased by probationary members who have yet to obtain a full cat “H” licence and cannot purchase their own.
  - ii) Ammunition can only be purchased in a per box quantity as provided by the manufacturer. e.g. If they are supplied in a box of fifty (50), this will be the minimum quantity available for purchase.
  - iii) Any ammunition left over from a box remains the property of the purchaser, however they are not allowed to remove this from the range without a full firearms licence. Failure to comply with this condition is a breach of the **Firearms Act** and will incur disciplinary action.

#### 14. ***Inspection of Records***

All registers, books, records, or other documents of the club shall be made available for inspection at any reasonable time on demand by an authorised member of the Tasmania Police or Firearms Services.

#### 15. ***Inspection of Range***

Any range or ranges of the club may be inspected at any reasonable time by any person authorised by Tasmania Police or Firearms Services to conduct such inspections.

#### 16. ***Intoxicating Liquor, Prohibited Substances & Pharmaceutical Drugs***

- a) No person shall consume intoxicating liquor on a range of the club until all shooting has been completed for the day.
- b) No person shall use non-prescription, non-essential or performance enhancing drugs while on a range of the club, regardless of how they are administered.
- c) Any member or visitor that needs to take pharmaceutical’s which may impair that person’s judgment must cease shooting whilst under the influence of such medication.
- d) No person shall be admitted to, or be on, a range of the club whilst under the influence of any judgment impairing substance.

## 17. *The Range*

- a) No shooting is allowed unless there are two or more adults on the range. At least one of the adults in attendance must be a club member who must be deemed “*experienced*” and/or “*qualified*” by the committee or discipline captain for that person to obtain a range access key and to conduct any shooting activity on the range. Failure to comply with this rule will be viewed as a severe rule infringement and will be dealt with accordingly by the committee.
- b) **Range Access Keys:**  
Only committee members, subcommittee members and persons authorised by the elected committee of that year are to hold access keys to the **S.S.A.A. Oakdale Pistol Club Inc.** range.
- c) **On Arrival:**  
The first person to arrive at the range (unlocks the gate) takes responsibility, until relieved by a discipline captain or qualified range officer, and shall:
- Raise the three (3) red flags. (*see paragraph (d) below*)
  - Ensure that all persons entering the range record their attendance. (*see paragraph (e) below*)
  - Ensure that all safety requirements are strictly adhered to.
  - Ensure that all persons intending to shoot comply with the rules and regulations of the current **Firearms Act**. i.e. *have the correct category and target shooting endorsement on their firearms licence etc.*
- d) **Red Flags:**  
The three (3) red flags must be flying at all times during any shooting activity on the range.  
(*Including matches and practice.*)  
These are located at the front gate, at the chain across the road and at the range backstop. No shooting will commence until the range back stop area has been inspected and declared “clear”.
- e) **Attendance Book:**  
Every person, including visitors and non-shooters, entering the range for any purpose shall sign the attendance book. (*Including matches, range maintenance, practice, or spectating.*) If the book is not available, it is the member’s responsibility to make sure that their name and the date is recorded and as soon as possible transferred to the official attendance book.
- f) Every person entering the range, member or visitor, places themselves under the control of the range officer or their assistants and must always comply with their directions and the safety rules.
- g) Under the range approval issued 13 March 2012, all ammunition used at the S.S.A.A. Oakdale Range must have a muzzle velocity not exceeding **650m/s** (which is roughly 2132 fps). If there is any question as to the muzzle velocity of any ammunition it must not be used until chronographed and verified to comply with the velocity restriction.
- h) **Long Arms:**  
The S.S.A.A. Oakdale Pistol Club is and shall remain principally for handgun use.

***All bolt action centrefire rifles and lever action centrefire rifles chambered in modern cartridges are specifically not allowed.***

The range has been granted limited approval for the following long arms and long arm events:

- Rimfire rifles for Benchrest, Rimfire Rifle Silhouette and Rimfire Practical Rifle matches.
- Shotguns for the SASS and Practical shotgun matches.
- Lever Action rifles in cartridges approved for Cowboy Silhouette matches.
- Rifles in pistol cartridges approved for Cowboy Single Action shooting matches.
- Single Shot rifles chambered in a black powder cartridge as approved by the committee for Buffalo Cartridge Rifle Silhouette match.

Only long arm matches and disciplines listed above can be conducted on the SSAA Oakdale Pistol Club range.

i) **Range Times:**

Access to the range by authorised members, (*see paragraph 17 a*), may be obtained outside normal rostered times by signing for and collecting a range key and attendance book from the secretary. The member who collects the key and book is responsible for any person they take with them to the range and must enforce all safety rules and requirements, including ***Accidental Discharge***. If that visitor wishes to shoot, they must comply with the rules and regulations of the current **Firearms Act**. Failure to do this will be viewed as a severe rule infringement and will be dealt with accordingly by the committee.

- A range of rules apply specifically for out of hours use of the range. These rules are available from the Secretary.
- The range key for outside of normal rostered times will provide access to the range access gates, flag box and toilets.

18. ***Late arrival and/or early departure***

Late arrivals and/or early departures may cause clause 10 (***Attendance*** paragraph c) to be invoked.

19. ***Keep off the mounds***

The front surface of the mounds are not to be disturbed by:

- a) Walking or climbing on the front surface of the mound.
- b) Removing lead from the front surface of mounds without express committee approval.

20. ***Vehicles on the range***

Our EPA permit to operate the range requires that vehicular traffic on the range be restricted. The only vehicles allowed to park or drive on the range are:

- Discipline and Assistant Discipline Captains.
- Members with a disability parking permit and Discipline Captain approval.
- Members or visitors carrying out maintenance or dropping off heavy items.

In general, members and visitors attending the range on match days cannot park on the range.

***No private vehicles are allowed to drive on the range to the rear backstop area to raise the red flag.***

21. ***Reimbursement of expenses and special events***

- a) Members must gain prior committee approval to spend monies that are to be reimbursed by the Club.
- b) All money received on behalf of the Club, at shoots or other Club events, must be deposited in the club account or handed to a committee member.
- c) Reimbursement of eligible expenses must be approved by the committee and authorised as per the constitution. The preferred payment method is EFT. Cash from monies received may not be used.
- d) Special events (non-rostered) must gain prior committee approval.
- e) Only the committee may make representation, enter into agreements, or make commitments on behalf of SSAA Oakdale Pistol Club Inc. Individual members may not present themselves as representatives of SSAA Oakdale Pistol Club Inc.

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**Section 2. Safety Rules**

1. ***WARNING - Danger of exposure to LEAD***

Lead is extremely toxic once in the blood and this can occur by either ingestion (via the mouth) absorption (via the skin) or inhalation (breathing in) of lead laden vapours. Juveniles and pregnant woman are at the greatest risk.

The risk of ingestion can be avoided by wearing protective clothing when handling lead and ensuring that hands are thoroughly washed before eating, smoking or any other activity that sees hand to mouth contact. Eating should only occur in “clean” areas of the range.

Absorption is more likely to occur off the range when loading or otherwise handling lead. The use of gloves will significantly lower the risk.

Equally, inhalation is most likely to occur in confined areas such as indoor ranges or where the melting of lead occurs. As we shoot outdoors the risk is extremely low. If casting, follow the recommended casting procedures and you will significantly reduce the risk.

Do not drink any rainwater collected on site.

2. ***Ear and Eye Protection***

The committee strongly encourages the use of ear and eye protection by all people while shooting is in progress. Ear & eye protection should also be used while participating in range maintenance.

3. ***Firearms***

- a) All firearms shall remain unloaded, holstered or cased, and uncocked while not on the firing line. No person shall touch the firearm of another person without the owner’s permission. In the case of club firearms permission must be obtained from the range officer or holder. No firearm should be left unattended.
- b) Other than on the firing line, firearms shall only be removed from holsters or cases for inspection or adjustment in the designated handling or safety areas. Live ammunition, dummy rounds and/or snap caps are not to be handled in designated safety areas.
- c) No firearm shall be loaded until the shooter is on the firing line and the command to “Load” has been given by the range officer. The muzzle of the firearm must always point down range.
- d) No person on the firing line shall touch a firearm while any other person is forward of the firing line.
- e) No firearm shall be removed from the firing line until it has been checked and cleared by the range officer or at least one person other than the shooter.

- f) Any ***Accidental Discharge*** by a member or visitor will result in that person being disqualified from shooting for that day.

#### 4. ***Ammunition***

Reloaded ammunition made from commercially manufactured primers & powder is allowed. Factory manufactured ammunition is also allowed.

Lead, coated lead, copper washed and copper jacketed projectiles are allowed.

FMJ (full metal jacket) projectiles are allowed in specific instances but are restricted. (*see range approval*)

Faulty or incorrectly loaded ammunition may be deemed unsafe by Range Officials and asked to be removed from the firing line.

#### 5. ***Belts, Holsters & Allied Equipment***

- a) Holsters must be designed for the handgun that is used in it and deemed fit for purpose. Holsters used for IPSC/Prac Pistol, Service and Action must completely prevent access to, or activation of the trigger. If not, it will be deemed unsafe and not permitted to be used on the range.
- b) All belts, either a Velcro inner belt that has an outer belt attached or any other belt, must be secured by at least three (3) loops on the pants or shorts and must be deemed fit for purpose by the Range Officer.
- c) All magazine and/or speed loader holders must comply with competition rules and be deemed fit for purpose by the Range Officer.

#### 6. ***Safety Violations***

The range officer shall have authority to warn any member or visitor for any safety violation. If for any reason the range officer has cause to issue a second warning for the same safety violation, they shall have the power to suspend that member or visitor immediately from any further participation in club activity until such time as the committee can review the matter.

#### 7. ***Firing Line Instructions***

SSAA Oakdale Pistol Club conducts a raft of handgun and some rifle disciplines on the Oakdale range.

The main ones are:

- i.) Handgun Metallic Silhouette – Centrefire, Rimfire & Field Pistol
- ii.) Cowboy Lever Action Silhouette – Centrefire, Rimfire, Pistol Calibre & Buffalo Rifle
- iii.) IPSC/Practical Pistol
- iv.) Service Pistol
- v.) Action Pistol
- vi.) Single Action Shooting – Wild Bunch

Each discipline has a unique set of commands which the range officer will use to conduct the match. These are set out in the match rules for each discipline. They should be delivered in a concise and consistent manner throughout the entirety of the match and in subsequent matches.

Safety is the paramount concern on the range. If an emergency occurs the following command will be issued:

## ***“Stop !”***

**If this command is issued, firearms must not be discharged for any reason. All competitors must stop any action or movement immediately. Competitors must unload and clear their firearm and wait for further instructions from the range officer.**

### 8. ***Misfires and Malfunctions - All Disciplines***

In the event of a misfire or malfunction that the competitor cannot safely rectify, they must stop any action or movement immediately, unload and clear their firearm as far as possible. Keeping the muzzle pointed down range, the competitor shall raise a hand to attract the attention of the range officer who will then direct as appropriate.

### 9. ***Smoking***

No person shall smoke on the firing line or in any covered area of the range – including sheds and containers.

### 10. ***Camouflage Clothing***

No person shall wear camouflage clothing during any activity on the range. (*Including matches, range maintenance, practice, or spectating.*) Head ware and shoes are the exception.

### 11. ***Members Responsibility***

It is the responsibility of each member who brings visitors to the range to ensure that they are aware of all safety requirements as well as the rules pertaining to the current **Firearms Act** and **Regulations**. Visitors must always be kept under close supervision by the inviting member.



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**Appendix**

**1. Membership & Range Fees**

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| i.)   | <i>paragraph 3.g.)</i>   | The club <b>Joining Fee</b> shall be:                                     | \$25.00                  |
| ii.)  | <i>paragraph 4.c.)</i>   | The <b>Subscription &amp; Range Fee</b> for <u>adults</u> shall be:       | \$90.00                  |
| iii.) | <i>paragraph 4.d.)</i>   | The <b>Subscription &amp; Range Fee</b> for <u>pensioners</u> shall be:   | \$60.00                  |
| iv.)  | <i>paragraph 4.d.)</i>   | The <b>Subscription &amp; Range Fee</b> for <u>seniors</u> shall be:      | \$60.00                  |
| v.)   | <i>paragraph 4.d.)</i>   | The <b>Subscription &amp; Range Fee</b> for <u>minors</u> shall be:       | \$20.00                  |
| vi.)  | <i>paragraph 4.d.)</i>   | The <b>Subscription &amp; Range Fee</b> for <u>Life members</u> shall be: | \$00.00                  |
| vii.) | <i>paragraph 4.h.i.)</i> | The <b>Range Fee</b> for each visiting shooter shall be:                  | \$10.00 <i>per day</i> . |
|       |                          | The <b>Range Fee</b> for additional family members i.e. spouse:           | \$5.00 <i>per day</i>    |

**2. Attendance**

- i.) *paragraph 10.b.)* The levy for Individual and Associate Members who fail to attend a minimum of two(2) **Working Bees** shall be \$50.00 for each non-attendance up to a maximum of \$100.00.

# Revisions

Date	Item	Revision
01/05/10	Appendix 1	Range fees increased; overdue fee introduced.
28/01/13	Appendix 2	Working Bee levy increased to \$25each.
20/2/2014	Major changes	Prepare for adoption of new constitution, specify RO authorities, added Visitor rules and more.
15/5/2014	Fee increase	Adult \$85, Life and Pensioner \$55
08/07/2014	Layout changes	Layout changes and reference checks
8/12/2014	Range access	Range access outside rostered matches amended
18/12/2014	Life membership	Life membership amended in line with new constitution
30/5/2015	Juniors	Clarification and specification of Juniors
18/6/2015	Long arms	Clarification of long arms regarding Buffalo Rifle match
22/12/2016	Minors	Relaxation of Minors' attendance requirements and bringing terminology in line across documents
15/3/2017	Safety Area	Adjusting clause in line with practice.
22/12/2017	Smoking	Adjusting in line with current requirements
1/9/2020	Fee Increase	Adult, Life, Pension all increase by \$5. Working bee levy to \$50 each to a maximum of \$100
20/8/2021	Life member fee	Life member fee reduced to \$0.00
18/8/2023	Membership	Adjust wording of 3. b)
18/8/2023	Membership	Adjust wording and reduce probation max from 9 to 6 months.
18/8/2023	Club Handguns	Include club ammunition.
18/8/2023	Long Arms	Bolt action centrefire rifles are not allowed.
18/8/2023	Reimbursement	Delete cheque replace with EFT
18/8/2023	Ear & Eye protection	Change must to recommend
18/8/2023	Firearms	Ammo can be in safety area but not handled
18/8/2023	Belts & Allied Equip	Added safety requirements
18/8/2023	Firing Line Commands	Change commands to instructions, delete discipline specific stuff. Define stop procedure
18/8/2023	Camouflage clothing	Hats & shoes are fine
18/8/2023	Range Officers	Responsible for decorum behind firing line
18/8/2023	Obligation of members	Must be quiet while people are preparing to shoot
25/8/2023	Vehicles on the range	Vehicle access and parking on the range redefined
6/9/2023	Ammunition	Defined what is allowed.