



**Lawrence Rod and Gun Club**  
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## Range Rules

### General

- For the safety of every member and our neighbors all rules must be strictly adhered to. Any infraction of these rules will be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Directors as specified in the By-laws.
- All members must have their membership card on their person and in open view while on club property and must upon request by an officer or board member present the membership card for review. The officer or board member has the right to hold the member's card and suspend the membership until the member appears at a board of directors meeting for review and if necessitated disciplinary action.

### Definitions

- Range Officer – A Range Officer is the first Range Certified person utilizing the range. It is their responsibility to oversee safety and proper use of the range.
- Range Certified – A member in good standing who has successfully completed new member orientation.
- Guest – Any non-member.

### Indoor Range Rules

1. Indoor range hours are from 8:00 AM to 11:00 PM, seven days a week. Shooting outside of these hours is strictly prohibited. Shooting on the indoor range is restricted to **range qualified members** only.
2. **No** person under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall use the indoor range.
3. **No** alcohol or illegal drugs are allowed on the indoor range.
4. **No** member (Life, Senior, Junior, or Honorary) shall shoot on the indoor range before being checked out by a Range Instructor after a general meeting or at a time prearranged by the two. If one fails to qualify the first time they must practice for at least two weeks on the outdoor range. That member must then qualify with the same Range Instructor that they started with, if available. Upon qualifying, the member's membership card will be stamped, signed and dated, and their identification record will be updated in the membership database.

5. An Indoor **Range Qualification** is defined as **10 shots taken** using a handgun with open sights at a standard 50 foot target, with **10 hits** anywhere on the paper at a distance of 50 feet, in conjunction with demonstrating safe firearm handling techniques the entire time on the range. Any shot that hits the target carrier will result in failure to qualify.
6. Guests: A Life or senior member may have a single guest on the indoor range for only one occasion. This guest is **not allowed** to shoot on the indoor range. A junior member is not allowed a guest.
7. **No** junior member may shoot on the indoor range unless qualified and accompanied by and has constant supervision by a qualified member, parent, or legal guardian.
8. A qualified junior member, 10 years of age or older, may shoot a handgun on the indoor range with constant supervision by a qualified member, parent, or legal guardian. Only one handgun may be fired between the junior member and the parent or guardian. The junior member and the parent or guardian may not shoot simultaneously.
9. Target carrier must be positioned all the way to the backstop when shooting.
10. **No hollow point, magnum, incendiary, tracer, or handgun ammunition greater than 45 caliber, center fire rifle ammunition, black powder, or shotguns** are allowed on the indoor range.
11. **No** smoking on the indoor range at any time.
12. **No** combat shooting on the indoor range. Combat shooting is defined as follows: A simulated encounter, drawing from a holster, action shooting, or fight between two parties (or more) usually a person and a foe represented by various target types and positions utilizing firearms for defensive purposes.
13. **Shooting must not exceed a Timed Fire rate of 5 fairly spaced rounds in 20 seconds.**
14. All shooting must be confined to the firing position you are standing in. There is no cross lane shooting.
15. The Indoor Range shall be kept locked and only qualified members will have the push button combination.
16. The push button combination shall be used only by those to whom it was assigned. The push button combination shall not be divulged to anyone not qualified to use the Indoor Range. Violation is immediate loss of membership to the person who is not qualified and the person who divulged the combination.
17. **All** shooters are required to pick up their **brass** and **targets**.
18. All misfires are to be placed in the unfired ammunition container located in Lane 7.

19. **Eye** and **Ear** protection is required for every person on the range.

## Outdoor Range Rules

1. Outdoor range hours of operation are from 9:00 AM to Sunset Monday through Saturday, and Sunday 1:00 PM to Sunset. Shooting outside of these hours is strictly prohibited.
2. A Range Officer must be visibly present whenever a member is shooting. There will be only one Range Officer in charge on the shooting range. All other members must abide by their decision.
3. Members disagreeing with a Range Officer's decision may present the problem to the Board of Directors or the membership at a regular meeting; **but must abide by the Range Officer's decision** until the disagreement is resolved.
4. Guests: A life or senior member may have a single guest on the outdoor range for only one occasion. This guest is allowed to shoot on the outdoor range only under the direct supervision of the member; guest and member may not shoot at the same time. A junior member is not allowed a guest.
5. **A** - A Junior member, 10 through 14 years of age, may shoot a firearm on the outdoor range while accompanied by and under the constant supervision of a member parent/legal guardian. The junior member and the parent/guardian may not shoot simultaneously.  
**B** - A Junior member, 15 years of age or older, may shoot a firearm on the outdoor range simultaneously with a member parent/guardian.
6. **No** person under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall use the outdoor range.
7. **No** alcohol or illegal drugs are allowed on the outdoor range.
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OUTDOOR RANGE BAYS			
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The only targets permitted on the outdoor range are:

**Bay 1** (sand backstop) paper targets, plastic bottles, tin cans not to exceed 1 gallon in size.

**Bay 2** (60 foot bullet trap) paper targets only.

**Bay 3** (Unistrut target carriers 16 to 30 feet bullet Trap) paper targets only.

**Bay 4** (60 yard shooting bench) paper targets only.

- **Bay 2** and **Bay 3**, only handguns chambered for 45 caliber cartridges or less are permissible. Note, a rifle (long gun) chambered for .22 caliber long rifle rim fire cartridges is permissible. Absolutely **No** center fire rifle.
- **No** armor piercing or incendiary ammunition.

- Paper targets must not exceed 12 x 12 inches.
  - Do not place any objects or targets on or attached to the safety barriers.
  - Shotgun ammunition is limited to **slugs** only.
9. All shooting must take place inside the safe to fire zone designated by the area in front of the red line painted on the cement pad. **No** shooting in front of or side of shooting bench line. All shooting must be confined to the firing position or lane painted red, green, or blue you are standing in. There is no cross lane shooting.
    - Shooting at the berm is permissible in **Bay 1** and **Bay 4** as long as all shooters utilizing the range are in agreement to temporarily relocate the firing line down range.
  10. Before preceding down range all firearms must be made safe and when down range no person is allowed to handle a firearm or be standing in the safe to fire zone.
  11. **All** targets must be mounted on target frames or in such a manner that all bullets will impact in the sand backstop or be contained in a bullet trap. No round shall strike the baffles or upright poles.
  12. **No** combat shooting of any type allowed. Combat shooting is defined as follows: A simulated encounter, drawing from a holster, action shooting, or fight between two parties (or more) usually a person and a foe represented by various target types and positions utilizing firearms for defensive purposes.
  13. **Shooting must not exceed a Timed Fire rate of 5 fairly spaced rounds in 20 seconds.**
  14. All misfires are to be placed in the yellow receptacles in the shooters pavilion, do not leave them where unauthorized persons could gain access.
  15. **No** full automatic fire of any type allowed.
  16. **All** Shooters are required to pick up their **brass** and **targets**.
  17. **Eye** and **Ear** protection is required for every person on the range.

## Trap Range Rules

1. A Range Officer must be visibly present whenever a member is shooting. There will be only one Range Officer in charge of the range; all other members must abide by their decisions. Typically the Range Officer is the person who opens the range.
2. Members disagreeing with a Range Officer's decision may present the problem to the Board of Directors or to the membership at a regular meeting, but **must abide by the Range Officer's decision** until the disagreement is resolved.

3. **No** person under the influence of alcohol or drugs shall use the trap range.
4. **No** alcohol or illegal drugs are allowed on the trap range.
5. **No** hand traps or target release devices of any kind are allowed. Only club equipment will be used.
6. Shooting at club clays only.
7. **Eye** and **Ear** protection is required for every person on the range.