



## 7.1 Range Rules

### **SSAA (PARA BRANCH) INC RANGE RULES**

**Shooters are to understand and follow range usage requirements.**

#### 1. The Road Speed Limits

- Rifle Range Road to the private road sign is 50 kph.
- The speed limit on the private road is 25 kph.
- The speed limit within the range and car park is 15 kph.
- There is NO overtaking on the private road or within the range.

#### 2. Para Range Contacts / Range Attendance

- On weekdays **CONTACT** the Caretaker prior to Shooting.
- On Weekends, enquiries are to be made at the canteen and to any Range Officer located on the range you wish to use.
- All persons located on site must sign the range attendance register in the canteen upon arrival.
- Range membership cards must be worn at all times by Para members.
- Visitor cards are to be worn by visitors at all times.

#### 3. During the week the directions of the Caretaker **WILL** be obeyed without question. At other times the Designated Range Officer shall be in charge.

#### 4. When a programmed competition is in progress, casual shooters are to make contact with the section captain prior to commencing as some disciplines may have restrictions of what can be used.

#### 5. Handing and Carrying Firearms

- When handling or carrying a firearm it **MUST BE SEEN TO BE SAFE**. The muzzle must be pointed in a safe direction at all times. The action **MUST** be open, the breech empty, ECI inserted and magazine removed (where applicable).
- A pistol can be carried in a holster after being cleared by a Qualified Range Officer.
- No Loaded magazines to be taken off the firing ranges.
- Handling of firearms on the grassed area in front of the canteen is **PROHIBITED**, as this area is reserved for social activities.
- All firearms must be bagged or cased when moving to or from a car park to the firing line area.  
*The bag or case used to transport a firearm(s) must be a significant thickness or stiffness to prevent the operation of the firearm mechanism when the firearm is enclosed.*
- **ANY member may challenge the safety of a firearm.**
- No action is to be closed until the firearm is pointed in a safe direction.

*Note: As of the 1st of January 2010, Empty Chamber Indicators (ECI's) will be required to be used in each firearm located on the firing line. ECI's can be purchased from the canteen, or can be home made however the ECI **flag must be safety yellow.***

#### 6. Cease Fire

- At all times, when a cease fire is called, all persons will render any firearm safe, as per point 6 above.
- Each firearm is then to be checked to be cleared & ECI to be inserted
- All users will then stand back from the firing line.
- If applicable the red light is then to be turned on by the **range officer only**.
- Only then may the order be given to go forward **by the Range Officer**.
- If applicable a target key tag will be taken by all persons going forward of the firing line.
- **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ARE FIREARMS TO BE HANDLED WHILE PEOPLE ARE FORWARD OF THE FIRING LINE.**
- All persons returning from the targets are to insert their target key tag back into the box.
- Firearms may only be handled again after the last person from out front has returned, the red light is turned off and the range is declared open again by the Range Officer.



## 7. Setting up Targets

- Please do not climb the backstops. On the Main range use the track on the left hand side when going forward to place targets.
- Target frames are to be placed close against backstops
- The use of metallic targets or shotgun traps for practice shall only be used by qualified members of the appropriate sections.
- Targets are not to be placed past 200m when a shotgun match is in progress. Check with canteen Staff.
- Clay targets are not to be placed on the back stops and used for target practice on the rifle and pistol ranges

## 8. Full Metal Jacket projectiles

- The use of Full Metal Jacket, solid brass or solid copper projectiles is not permitted on Para Range. *CEB hollow point and ballistic tip projectiles are allowed for use on Para Range. The shooter is to have proof that CEB hollow point projectiles are being used if queried.*

## 9. Damaging Range equipment or facilities

- Any person found damaging range equipment or facilities, including the deliberate destruction of targets and or target frames will be asked to pay compensation for any such damage. If deemed appropriate the council may ban the user from the Range for a period of time.

## 10. All fauna and flora at Para is protected.

## 11. Smoking on the Range

- Smoking is banned within 5 meters of all covered and non-covered firing lines and the canteen.

## 12. Personal Safety Protection

- It is highly recommended that ear and eye protection is to be worn at all times when on the range facility.
- It is mandatory for all people located in the firing line area to wear ear and eye protection during a handgun silhouette match shot under IHMSA rules. Please check the program for when these events are on.
- Ear and eye protection can be purchased from the canteen.

## 13. Dress Standards on the Range

- In the interest of range safety and good public relations, **the wearing of camouflage clothing, sandals or thongs are not permitted on the firing line.**
- Persons in breach of this regulation will not be permitted to use **ANY** of the Range facilities, and will be asked to either remove the item (where practical) or vacate the Range.
- Plain army greens are permissible.

## 14. Stuck live rounds / Jammed Firearm

- No attempt is to be made to remove a stuck live round on any S.S.A.A. range. The firearm is to be made safe and removed from the line and the range. It should be taken to a competent person for the removal of the round. As per S.S.A.A. policy.

## 15. Air Cylinders

- **SSAA Para does not allow the refilling of air or CO<sub>2</sub> cylinders beyond the manufactures validity date of 10 years on the range.**

## 16. No Dogs to be allowed on the range.

- From the 1st September 2012 all dogs be banned from Para Range, except for guide and hearing aide dogs'

## 17. Evacuation / Emergency assembling point

- In the event of an emergency sound a car horn with three long bursts to alert attention.
- Users of the facility are then to make their way to the car park area outside the turning target pistol range area and wait for instructions. Refer to the plans located on each range.
- During the evacuation to the assembly point, do not leave the range until the situation has been assessed as the access road may be blocked; for example a bush fire.
- If required a first aid kit is located in the canteen area.

All Complaints are to be in writing to The Secretary, GPO Box 2013, Adelaide. 5001.  
These are the by-laws of the Association and as such may be added to or altered at any time by the Council.