

BY-LAWS

APPENDAGE D: **RANGE FACILITY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**Section 1. General**

- A. The range address is: 3299 West Eble Road, which is county road South 550. Located 7 tenths of a mile East of State Highway 61, between Warrick County Road West 300, named Youngblood Road.
- B. The range has no land line, telephone service as of May 2012.
- C. The hours for guns usage is: 6:00 AM through 10:30 PM Sunday through Thursday and 6:00 AM through 12:00 AM Friday and Saturday.
- D. Red Brush sanctions formal, shooting events that occupy parts of the range at various times. Some events cause the entire range to be shut down. These are rare. Otherwise space is always provided for informal shooting by the membership. Refer to the range calendar at [redbrush.org](http://redbrush.org) for the schedule of events. You may also review the monthly newsletter.

**Section 2. Purpose of our Range Rules**

- A. Red Brush has adopted the following Range Rules to better ensure the safety of our members, non-member guests and the persons and property of our neighbors.

By following our range rules you will wisely use and protect our property.  
More important, you will ensure that all fired rounds remain on our property.

**Section 3. Your Responsibility**

- A. It is your responsibility to help keep Red Brush a safe place to shoot. You are responsible for all bullets you and your guest fire on our range.
- B. Always follow the range rules. Red Brush requires you to review our range rules at least once a year. The latest edition can be found at [redbrush.org](http://redbrush.org). The range rules are frequently updated to meet changing conditions.
- C. Ensure your guests are instructed in the basic gun handling rules (see section 10) and range commands (see section 11) used on our range before they are allowed to handle a gun on the range. Also ensure that the guests have appropriate hearing and eye protection. It is your responsibility to diligently monitor the actions of your guest and require they remain with you while handling a gun. You will be held accountable for their actions.

Red Brush does not set a limit on the number of guests you may bring at a time, except you may not occupy more than one bay at a time without prior approval. You may have a guest at the range only if you are there with them. Never give your gate swipe card to a non-member.

- D. Your membership is a family membership limited to those living in your household including children until age 21. Children under 18 must be under the supervision of a parent or guardian.

- E. All members of the club shall conduct themselves in a cordial or business-like manner, practicing good sportsmanship at all times, while doing the business of the club or using the range facility.
- F. If you are asked by another member to show them your membership card, do it.
- G. Remain aware of your surroundings and what others around you are doing. If you observe someone committing a range rule violation or any unsafe action, call it to their attention. If they continue the violation get their identity or take a picture, get license plate number, note the time of day and report it to the Range Officer or another Director as soon as possible.
- H. If someone calls to your attention you are violating a range rule or committing an unsafe act, thank them for addressing it with you. Don't be defensive, discuss it with them and consider your actions and make any appropriate changes necessary to keep the range safe.
- I. It will be your responsibility to confront any suspicious person and ask to see their membership card. If they are not a Member or a guest of a Member also there ask them to leave. If you need assistance contact a Board Member.

It is permissible for you to tour a person wanting information to join the club. Be sure that they do no shooting and leave before you do.

#### **Section 4. Enforcing the Range rules and Conduct Standards for Members**

- A. Red Brush has established a standard of conduct while doing business of the club and Range Rules to be followed by all Members and Guests at all times. Failure to comply will result in serious consequences imposed by the Board of Directors.

The seriousness, consequences of the act and the cooperation level of the Member will be considered in determining an appropriate discipline. Discipline could include an ejection from the range on the day of the infraction, a loss of range privileges for a time period, a loss of membership or any other as determined by the Board. You may be held financially accountable for property damage you or your guest caused.

#### **Section 5. Entering and Exiting the Range Electric Gate**

- A. The range gate is motor operated. The electronic gate swipe card for the range gate is for members use only. A card is issued once to each member. If your card is lost report it immediately so that it can be deactivated. A spouse of a Member can obtain a gate swipe card for a fee.

The Directors are asking that the range gate be kept closed at all times except when a formal shooting event is in progress and then only open for the necessary time to allow any non-members access to a public shoot. In that case the match director is in charge of the gate.

- B. Board Members and Match Directors have a key for the key operated switch in the member's room used to lock open the gate when necessary. The person who locked open the gate is responsible to put it back

in normal operation before they leave. This rule is intended to protect our property from non-members and trespassers. Never leave the gate open if you are the last person to leave the range. If you cannot close the gate report it to a Board Member.

- C. If someone is waiting at the gate to enter as you are leaving let them use their swipe card to enter. If someone is waiting to enter by tailgating your entry stop your car just inside the gate allowing the gate to close. Then proceed to the range.
- D. Emergency escape is possible in the event the gate will not open. Even during a power failure the battery back-up should operate the gate.

If all systems fail and you cannot get the gate open to leave do the following:

1. Located on the right side of the gate on the front of the motor housing you will find a small window. Open the window and turn the rocker switch off. This will turn the power off to the motor system and release the brake.
  2. Just in case someone had already turned off the power and you just turned it back on, try your gate swipe again. If the gate still does not work go to step 3.
  3. Manually slide the gate open enough to get your car out.
  4. Close the gate and leave.
  5. Report the failure to a Board Member as soon as possible.
- E. If the gate will not close it is because either someone has left the key switch in the Member's room locked open or the photo eye aligned with a reflector across the gateway is blocked, covered with ice or dew or out of alignment. Notify a Director as soon as possible.

## **Section 6. Access to the Member's Room and Use**

- A. Members may use the room to access the first aid supplies, AED, fire extinguisher, wasp spray and drinking water. There is a bulletin board inside with information. The room has heat and air conditioning for relief from the outside environment. Always leave it turned on. The AED requires a controlled temperature.
- B. Unless reserved by a shooting group or a Trainer, members may occupy the room for personal use. While doing so no other members shall be denied access to the supplies listed in section 8 below or relief from the environment.

## **Section 7. Restrooms and Well Water**

- A. The restrooms on the ranges use well water for the sinks and toilets. The water has been tested and ruled unsafe for drinking and cooking. Use the bottled water in the Member's room or bring your own.
- B. Spare supplies are kept in a locked room between the restrooms.
- C. It is most important that you turn off the sink valves because the low volume well pump will be shut down when the pressure falls to 15 PSI. When that happens it must be manually restarted using a pressure switch in the locked supply room. Notify a board member if that has happened.

## **Section 8. Safety Equipment**

- A. There is a First Aid Kit, Trauma kit and a (AED) Automated External Defibrillator in the member's room of the pole barn.
- B. Fire extinguishers are located in both pole barns, the Member's room and inside the Women's restroom. Look for signs on the buildings. Do not hesitate to use a fire extinguisher if you believe one is needed.
- C. Use of the club First Aid kit or a Fire Extinguisher should be reported to the Range Officer or another Director so replenishment can be made.

## **Section 9. Range Safety**

- A. The Club Range Officer has complete charge of the shooting ranges of the Corporation, including the scheduling of the range time and management of Range Safety. The Range Officer has the authority to appoint assistants.

It is expected that all Members and shooting organizations give full cooperation to the Club Range Officer and to any appointed assistants.

- B. Formal shooting events shall have a self-appointed Range Officer for that event. Your cooperation with that person is expected. Regardless, never commit an act that you believe is unsafe. Your choice is to discuss the matter with the Event Range Officer and not participate in the event. If the Event Range Officer fails to correct an unsafe condition contact the Club Range Officer or other Board Member as soon as possible.

## **Section 10. Gun Handling and Shooting Rules**

- A. For the protection of all members and guest, always follow and practice all gun safety rules, especially these three fundamental rules:
  - 1. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.  
A safe direction is down range, up in the air, toward the ground facing away from people including you.
  - 2. Always keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.  
Ready to shoot best practice is to place your finger on the trigger after you have your gun's sights aligned with your target.
  - 3. Always keep the gun unloaded until you are ready to use.

Unloaded condition for the range means that all ammunition has been verified to be removed from the gun and the action is locked open (if locking open is practical). This includes completely removing easily detachable magazines. All rounds must be removed from fixed magazines and revolver

cylinders. Black-powder firearms must have no ball or powder in chamber and, for percussion guns, the caps must be removed.

Loading or unloading a gun on the range anywhere other than the firing line is prohibited.

Exceptional care must be taken when loaded guns are brought to the range. Only bring/remove them from the firing line when the bay is "hot" (see section 11. Range Commands).

Loaded handguns may be carried on range property but must be safely secured. Loaded handguns must be safely secured unless you have a position on a firing line and the line is "hot".

Loaded long guns brought to the range to shoot must be directly transported between the vehicle and the firing line during the first opportune "hot" period. Loaded long guns may not be carried on range property except to directly transport them between the vehicle and the firing line. When transporting a loaded long gun to the firing line, be sure to keep the muzzle pointed up until on the firing line where it can then safely be pointed down range towards the back berm.

## **Section 11. Range Commands**

A. The range command "THE RANGE IS HOT", means that shooting may commence. The first person ready to begin shooting after a period of time in which the shooting had ceased, should use this command and observe all of the other people on the firing line for "APPROVAL" and allow them time to replace their safety equipment, before firing a shot.

B. The range command "CLEAR", means you want to make it safe to go down range. You must make eye contact with every person on the firing line and get back from them the signal "CLEAR", before anyone goes down range.

Before you give anyone a "CLEAR" signal, all your guns must be unloaded, the actions opened and the magazines out. You are not obligated to stop firing immediately. You may finish your string of shots; however you are obligated to answer the call by responding, "NO, NOT CLEAR, WAIT".

C. The range command "CEASE FIRING", is a command for all shooting to stop immediately, signifying that an emergency or dangerous situation has occurred.

D. The range status COLD means all shooting has stopped and no one is expected to fire a round. It may be safe to remove your eye and hearing protection but it does not necessarily mean the range is CLEAR to go down range. That must be verified before you go down range.

E. During formal competition, follow the commands of the Range Officer or match Director. They will be explained at the match. The commands usually are: "Load and make ready", "Ready on the left?", "Ready on the right?", "Commence firing", "Cease firing" or as instructed at the match. You are expected to respond if you are not ready.

## **Section 12. Guns Training**

A. If you would like some personal guns safety instruction, contact the Club Range Officer or visit our web page ([redbrush.org](http://redbrush.org)) where you will find links to our Trainers.

We have Several NRA certified Instructors in the Club who are certified to teach most NRA, shooting and self-defense courses. Others teach skill development and tactics.

### **Section 13. Universal Range Rules**

- A. All Shooters and those observing at or near the firing line must wear hearing and eye protection. Eye glasses with the rating ANSI Z87.1/3 offer the best eye protection. When shooting steel plates wrap around glasses are recommended.
- B. Do not leave a loaded gun unattended on the firing line. Red Brush encourages the use of chamber flags as an additional visible indicator that a gun is in an unloaded condition.
- C. Members are allowed to exercise (jog, walk, do calisthenics, etc.) on Red Brush property, but must do so in a way which does not interfere with shooting on the bays or block traffic. Shooting accessories such as vests and carriers can be worn when exercising. Handguns may be carried but must be safely secured. Long guns may not be carried when exercising.
- D. Always place targets down range as straight in front of your firing position as possible, to ensure the bullet path is down range toward the impact berm. Do not intentionally shoot over the berms (the dirt banks that divide the shooting bays) or the impact berms behind your target. Never fire a round in the air, at a bird in a tree or an animal on a berm. Never throw targets up into the air and shoot at them with a handgun or rifle.

Consider the trajectory of your bullet. From your shooting position, aim at your target. Then move your aim to the side of the target. If your sights are above the impact berm you would shoot over it.

For example, if you are in the prone position with a high powered rifle aiming at a target 6 feet high and 100 yards away, the round's trajectory would carry it over the impact berm. You must not allow this to happen.

This can be corrected by lowering your target height or moving your target closer to the impact berm or by elevating your shooting position.

- E. Never climb up on a berm because above the side berm height there is danger of ricochets from the adjacent bays.
- F. The range has overhead lighting for night shooting. These are expensive to operate so turn them off before you leave.
- G. Never swing a gun so as the muzzle is pointing down the firing line where the shooters are standing. This is referred to as the 180 degree rule.

All shooters on any bay must maintain the same firing line. In other words, no shooter should establish his firing line in front of or behind the other shooters. If someone does this, cease firing and call them back in line.

- H. Always pick up your duds from the range. Take them home and discard them. Never place them in the trash barrels, because we often burn the trash. If a properly labeled receptacle for duds is provided at the range shelter you may use it to discard duds.
- I. Pay close attention to your and other's children. Never allow them to wonder in harm's way. Do not allow them to pester other shooters. If necessary call Cease Fire and wait for the parent or guardian to gain control of the Children.

Children should never be allowed to touch a gun or live ammunition without the permission of a parent or authorized guardian. Children under the age of 18 must be under the supervision of a parent or guardian.

- J. It is critically important that you make every effort to keep all fired bullets on our property. It is imperative to our security, to life and to property,

Our south property line is just behind the rifle range impact berms. That is only about 400 yards from the 400 yard rifle range, firing line. Even a 22 rim fire can leave our property if fired at the necessary angle. Pistol bullets can leave our property as well.

The range impact berms are designed to offer protection only from their respective firing lines.

Shooting west on bays 6 – 10 there is a highway and a farm property within pistol range.

- K. The use of alcohol or illegal drugs or being under the influence of any mind altering substance while at the range will not be tolerated and shall be grounds for immediate ejection from the range facility and further disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion from the club.
- L. Any serious injury which occurs on the range shall be reported to the Range Officer or another Director as soon as possible and practical.
- M. All members shall abide by all Federal, State and Local laws while using the range facility.
- N. Fishing in our East Lake along and by bays #6-10 and toward the front fence near Eble Road is allowed during all hours. You may wish to bring hearing protection when fishing during shooting hours. Fishing in any lake down range of a shooting position, specifically the south lake off to the left side of the 400 yard rifle range is restricted to fishing during non-shooting hours.
- O. Shooting across the lakes is prohibited.
- P. Hunting is not allowed on our property. Killing the wildlife is prohibited.
- Q. All members are to protect, preserve and use wisely the property and resources of the Club. Theft and vandalism of club property or another member's property will not be tolerated. Lost and found property must be reported within 24 hours of you taking possession of the found property. Notify the lost and found, contact person listed in the club newsletter. If that person cannot be reached then notify the President.

- R. If the range you are shooting on has a “Person Down Range” alarm system you must turn it on before going down range. Turn off the alarm after all persons have returned to the firing line. No shooting or loaded guns are permitted while the alarm is on.

#### **Section 14. Guns**

- A. Except for the listed prohibited guns in “B” below, you may use any gun that is legal to own, designed for hunting, target shooting or military use.

- B. These guns are prohibited for use on the Red Brush range:  
The Browning 50 cal. Machine gun and any rifles that fire the same cartridge or one based off of the 50 BMG case regardless of bullet caliber, including the 416 Barrett, 408 CheyTac and 375 CheyTac.

Those prohibited guns use ammunition designed for extreme, long range shooting and retain unusually high energy thousands of yards beyond our range depth. Additionally the extreme, sonic muzzle blast is hazardous to those standing to the sides of these guns.

- C. Before you invest in any extremely powerful, unusual or new designed gun or ammunition contact the club Range Officer to verify that it can be used on the Red Brush range.

#### **Section 15. Ammunition**

- A. Observe the signs at the range bays which describe what type guns and cartridges are allowed or prohibited on a particular bay.

This is for good reason. High powered or bottle necked cartridges can penetrate or cause potholes in the steel plates on the pistol bays. This could lead to an injury later when a bullet hits a pothole and comes straight back.

- B. Except the listed prohibited ammunition in “C” below, you may use any ammunition that is legal to own.

- C. These ammunitions are prohibited for use on the Red Brush range:  
Browning 50 cal. Machine gun and any cartridge based off of it, including the 416 Barrett, 408 CheyTac, and 375 CheyTac.

- D. Contact the club Range Officer if you have a question regarding approved ammunition.

- E. Be aware that Tracer and Incendiary ammunition could start a brush fire on our range.

- F. Be aware that Armor Piercing ammunition has a greater danger associated with ricochet and will cause un-necessary damage to our steel plate targets. Do not shoot our steel plates with armor piercing ammo.

- G. It is not practical to prohibit and regulate all ammunitions used on the Red Brush range. As with other matters in the shooting sport your education and good sense will keep Red Brush a safe place to shoot, protect our Members from injury and our targets and other property from un-necessary damage.



- H. Lost live ammunition can often be found on the range. In not knowing the origin of these, there is a risk in firing them. If they are a reload you are putting yourself under the competence of the person that reloaded it. Re-loaders can break down the ammo and use the components.

## Section 16. Explosives

- A. Explosive devices that are illegal, destructive to the property or that could cause death or serious injury are prohibited from use on the range property, by the general membership. The Board of Directors may approve the use of explosive devices for good reason by properly trained persons, on an as needed basis.
- B. Included in the prohibited explosives are Tannerite and all other Exploding Rifle and Pistol Targets.

## Section 17. Steel Plate Targets

- A. Steel plate targets are provided on the 400 yard rifle range at 100, 200, 300 and 400 yards.

Our newer plates are made of 500 BHN hardness steel and installed at an angle to deflect the ricochet to the ground.

Steel plate targets are provided on the pistol bays. Bays #1 and 2 prohibit the use of bottle necked and other high powered center fire, rifle cartridges. Check the signs posted on each bay. Also reference the range bay specific rules.

Shoot only pistol caliber bullets and 22 rim fire at these. It is OK to use a rifle that shoots pistol calibers such as a lever action 357, 45 Colt and 9 MM carbines.

It is NOT OK to shoot rifle caliber, bottle neck cartridges at the steel targets in prohibited pistol bays even if fired from a pistol such as the Thompson Contender.

The Red Brush falling plate racks are designed for pistol calibers only. They are set 45 feet from the shooting line under the shelter firing line.

If you bring your own steel targets to use, make sure that they are designed for the caliber you are using. Steel targets that hang will deflect the bullet to the ground. Steel targets that fall backwards will deflect the bullet upward.

- B. The following rules for shooting steel plate targets are from the various manufactures of them.

Steel targets should be shot no closer than 30 feet with a handgun.

Steel targets should be shot no closer than 100 yards with a standard centerfire rifle cartridge.

Steel targets should be shot no closer than 100 yards with shotgun slugs.

Steel targets should be shot no closer than 50 yards with 00 Buck shot.

Steel targets should be shot no closer than 15 yards with lead bird or rabbit shot.

Steel targets should not be shot at more than a 20 degree angle. That will cause a sideways ricochet.

**Never shoot a steel target on our range with steel shot, a BB gun or pellet rifle.**

## Section 18. Other Targets

- A. The club furnishes target stands that resemble a sawhorse. Lath sticks and cardboard are also available at the range. Cardboard can be stapled to the lath sticks. Your target can then be stapled or taped to the cardboard. Cardboard is available on the 400 yard, rifle range and pistol bay #1.

Do not intentionally shoot the stands. Place your target on cardboard above the stand. See the pictures posted at the bays showing the correct set-up and use of a target stand.

There is another Target stand with a wood top board. These are target knock-off stands, for coke cans, plastic bottles, shotgun hulls or your own targets. Using only 22 rim fire will add life to the stands.

- B. Position your target between you and the range back berm. Never fire across ranges such as from the 400 yard range to the 500 yard range. Keep your target stand on the range ground. Never place it high on a back berm.
- C. Always return your target stand to the storage area near the firing line, before you leave. This is to keep the range neat and orderly and to prevent a stand left down range from being hit by rounds fired at a target placed between it and the firing line, by another shooter later.
- D. Never use glass bottles, concrete blocks and junk as targets. Many competitive shooting sports require a prone position. Such debris can cause damage to maintenance equipment and also cause injury. Blue plastic and steel barrels are not approved targets.
- E. Aluminum cans, plastic bottles and shotgun hulls are OK for targets but always police the grounds and clean up all your mess before you leave. There are Target Knock-off Stands for this purpose. By placing your target on them you will ensure your bullet path is to the back berm. Shooting things on the ground can result in ricochets. Please limit your use of the target knock off stands to rim fire cartridges only. Center fire calibers will destroy the wood boards quickly.
- F. Exploding targets are prohibited: see section 16 Explosives A & B.

## Section 19: Range Bay Specific Rules

- A. Pistol Bays

### Bay #1 and #2

Pistol bay #1 and #2 are restricted to handguns, carbines and rifles shooting pistol caliber ammunition. No high power bottle neck or straight wall cartridges designed for rifles are allowed even if fired from a pistol such as the Thompson Contender or an AR15 with a short barrel. It is the powerful cartridge that is banned not the gun shooting it.

The falling plate rack is designed for 22 rim fire and centerfire pistol calibers only.

Examples of (not necessarily all) approved cartridges for these bays:

22 Rim Fire, 25 auto, 32 auto, 380 auto, 9MM, 38 Spl., 357 mag., 40 S&W, 10 MM, 41 mag., 44 mag., 45 Auto, 45 Colt, 50 action express, bottle neck cartridges designed for pistols such as 357 sig., 30 Mauser and Win. 44-40.

Examples of (not all) banned cartridges for this bay: 17 cal. Rim fire, 22 TCM, 22 Rem jet, 222 Rem., 223 Rem, 5.56 X 45 MM, 7.62X39, 30 M1 Carbine, 308 Win., 30-30, 30-06, 45-70 Government, and any other high powered rifle cartridges. Additionally, do not shoot the steel plates with any cartridge with a velocity of 1800 FPS or more.

Shotguns using lead pellet shells and slugs may be fired on this bay but not at the falling plate rack. Pistols that fire shotgun shells are approved but not at the falling plated rack.

## B. General Purpose Bays

### **Bay #3**

You may shoot any guns and cartridge allowed on the range.

### **Bay #4**

You may shoot any guns and cartridge allowed on the range.

### **Bay #5**

You may shoot any gun and cartridge allowed on the range

### **Bay #6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 On these bays you are shooting toward the West.**

Bays 6 through 10 have the impact berms to the West. The risk of hazard shooting West is higher than shooting South if a bullet were to be fired over the impact berm. Always keep your sights below the 10-foot-high concrete side walls elevation at the end by the impact berm. Be sure to place your targets so that all rounds directly strike in the bottom half of the impact berm.

Place all targets a minimum of six (6) feet from the concrete side walls when near the impact berm. If the target is placed closer to the firing line, make sure the target is placed so that a bullet will not pass through it and strike the concrete side wall. Look for a red post beside the walls on each side. Keep your targets inside the area between these posts.

Note: Dark lens glasses will be most useful while using these bays in the late afternoon.

## C. The Rifle Ranges

1. The 400 yard (East) rifle range is normally open to the members for informal shooting.

The 500 yard (west) rifle range is normally closed to members for informal shooting.

This is because of safety concerns. The firing line of the 500 yard range is behind and to the right of the 400 yard range. It would be unsafe to go down range on either rifle range if shooting were allowed on both ranges simultaneously, without coordinating Range Officers.

The 500 yard (West) rifle range is only opened for formal competition and for members use on scheduled and announced days. Check the range schedule and newsletter for the announcement of dates and times it is open.

2. NOTE ! Any time the safety gate, which is located on the bridge to the 400 yard rifle range is in the closed position do not attempt to use this range. It means, either down range maintenance work is being done or that the 500 yard range is in use.
3. In the event the 400 yard rifle range is being used for formal competition or is full, you may use pistol bays #3 and #4 which is about 90 yard deep, for rifle shooting.
4. Rifles, handguns and shotguns may be used on the rifle range. You may use any gun or ammunition on the 400 and 500 yard rifle ranges except those banned. See sections 14 B and 15 C.
5. The 400 yard rifle range is equipped with an alarm system to alert that "Persons are Downrange". Before anyone goes down range the alarm system must be turned on. When multiple persons are going down range all person should turn on a switch. The alarm system must remain on as long as a person remains down range of the shooting line.

No shooting or loaded guns are permitted while the alarm is on.

In the event you arrive and find the alarm on and see no persons downrange, before turning off the alarm you must thoroughly search both rifle ranges by going downrange to insure no one is present, including behind the 500 yard range target berm.

#### 6. Mandatory CLEAR Period At Top of the Hour

When the 400 yard rifle bay is open to the members for informal shooting, a mandatory ten minute CLEAR time will be observed at the top of each hour (for example 1 PM to 1:10 PM, 2 PM to 2:10 PM, etc). During this time, the range will remain in a CLEAR status regardless if there are people downrange or not. Shortly before the top of each hour, all shooters on the bay must implement a CLEAR status as explained in section 11 B and activate the downrange alarm as explained in Section 18 E. Once the ten minute period has expired and it is confirmed nobody is down range, the people on the 400 yard bay can go HOT by following the procedure of Section 11 A.

#### D. Special Rules For Using Both Rifle Ranges Simultaneously

The membership is not allowed to use a closed range. See Rifle Ranges C. 1.

The following special use rules are not for the general Membership but they are reserved exclusively for regulated, sanctioned shooting events.

Formal, sanctioned shooting events requiring both rifle ranges shall abide by the following rules.

Shooting may commence on both range bays when the following conditions are met:

1. Both range bays have a full time Range Officer behind the firing lines. Both Range Officers shall have a constant open line of communication such as walkie-talkies. The Range Officers shall have no other duties that distract attention from monitoring range safety. The Range Officer must be replaced when they become a contestant or leaves the range.
2. An emergency Cease Fire command shall be relayed to the other range bay immediately.
3. The shooters on both range bays maintain a common firing line. Starting at the 400 yard range shelter and any firing line established south (down range) of there.
4. No one on either range bay may move forward of the shooting position without both range bays being made in a CLEAR condition, verified by and communicated between the Range Officers.
5. An offset firing line is allowed between the 400 and 500 yard range bays when utilizing the above rules and under the following additional conditions only:
6. A physical barricade is placed at the crossover bridge between the 400 and 500 yard ranges with a sign on the 400 yard bay side warning people to not enter. "Warning the 500 yard range is in use, do not enter".

With shooters on the 500 yard range shooting from the benches under the shelter or lying prone no more than 20 feet in front of the shelter, with no shooting position beyond the shelter west end and with shooters on the 400 yard range shooting from the benches under the shelter or lying prone no more than 20 feet in front of the shelter.

Under these circumstances the 500 yard range may not have a target closer than 200 yards away, being in line with the 400 yard range bay, 100 yard target line.

All Contestants, Officials and Spectators traveling between the two range bays will walk along the north fence and along the east side of the 500 yard range side berm when going north or south to the other range bay.

#### E. Special Rules For Elevated Platforms on 500 Yard Range

The 500 yard range has two elevated platforms as part of the firing line shelter, one on each side accessible by stairs. These platforms are reserved exclusively for use during regulated, sanctioned shooting events. The general membership is not allowed on these platforms outside of these events.

Formal, sanctioned shooting events may use these platforms, including shooting from them, by complying with the following additional rules:

1. No more than 14 individuals shall be present on a given platform at any time, including the stairs.
2. Youth must be accompanied by and under the constant supervision of an adult.
3. Course-of-fire instructions will emphasize that muzzles of loaded rifles be kept pointed towards the back berm. Those on the ground must take care not to point muzzles upwards as people on the platforms are above them. And those on the platforms must take care not to point muzzles downwards as the people on the ground are below them.

A range safety officer must be assigned to each platform in use with the dedicated task of ensuring these rules are followed.

#### F. Shotgun Aerial Targets

The use of shotguns to shoot hand and machine thrown clay pigeons is permitted but restricted to two designated areas: Bay 10 and the 500 Yard Rifle Bay when otherwise not in use. All shots at aerial targets must be to the South.

When using Bay 10, the aerial target station should be set up at the far corner to the East of the firing line so that the clays fly over the open area to the South. This is to prevent pellets and broken targets from raining down onto other bays.

When using the 500 Yard Rifle Bay, the station must be set up adjacent to the 400 Yard Rifle Bay firing line so that it becomes an extension of that firing line. This means that those shooting aerial targets must coordinate line status (when “hot”, “clear”, etc.) with those using the 400 Yard Rifle Bay. It is important to monitor activity on the 400 Yard Rifle Bay so that anyone who enters that area knows that an aerial target station is in operation and coordination is needed.

#### G. Designated Safety Areas (DSAs)

Designated Safety Areas were built between some berms. These areas are designated by “Safety Area - No Ammo Handling” signs.

DSAs are no shooting areas. They are for non-shooting activities such as the inspection of unloaded firearms, the transfer of unloaded firearms from a case to a holster, dry practice, and the cleaning/repair/maintenance of malfunctioning firearms. Handling of ammunition, loaded ammunition feeding devices (e.g. magazines, clips, speed loaders, linked cartridges), dummy ammunition, snap caps, simunitions, or training rounds is not permitted in these Designated Safety Areas.

DSAs may be used by all members, instructors, leagues, and events for purposes such as the above.

### **End of Range Rules**