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MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE FIRST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE PORT LAVACA VFW HALL.

Welcome to the Bay Gun Club. We are glad you joined our organization and hope you enjoy our shooting facility as much as we do. The Bay Gun Club asks that you to take time and read the range rules and club regulations. These are for our safety and protection of the range facilities.

Included is a map of the meeting place, police station and range location.

The range is readily available, but may be closed for law enforcement training, mowing, or maintenance.

For your convenience, call the Police Dept. dispatcher at 552-3788 to check on the status of the range. This could save some driving if you live any distance from Port Lavaca.

There are two gates to the range. The first is multi-locked. If open, leave open when you leave. The red gate is the range gate. **MAKE SURE IT IS LOCKED WHEN THE LAST PERSON LEAVES AND KEYS RETURNED TO POLICE STATON.**

Enjoy the range safely and we look forward to seeing you at meetings and shoots.

Sincerely,

BAY GUN CLUB

PLEASE NOTE: NO LTC CLASSES ALLOWED ON RANGE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2013, BY ORDER OF PORT LAVACA POLICE DEPARTMENT.

RANGE AND GUN CLUB REGULATIONS

1. Discipline: The safety of competitors, range personnel and spectators require continuous attention by all to the careful handling of firearms, and caution in moving about the range. Self-discipline is necessary on the part of all. Where self-discipline is lacking, it is the duty of range personnel to enforce discipline.

2. To use the range facilities, a person must:
 - a. Be a member in good standing of the Bay Gun Club and obey the Range rules.
 - b. Be the spouse of a member in good standing or a person under 21 years of age living under the same roof as a member in good standing.
 - c. Be a peace officer or member of another established shooting club participating in an exercise or event sanctioned by the joint range committee.
 - d. If you bring a guest who is not a family member, a \$5.00 fee is required. You may bring money to meeting or mail to Bay Gun Club, PO Box 691, Port Lavaca, TX 77979.

3. Access to the range property:
 - a. Call the Police Department at 361-552-3788 and ask if the Bay Gun Club is OPEN!
 - b. If OPEN, give them your name and membership number.
 - c. Ask for the BGC lockbox code.
 - d. Go to the range and follow the lockbox instructions below.
 - i. Open the weatherproof case.
 - ii. Punch in the code.
 - iii. If you hit the wrong number, press the "C" to cancel and start over.
 - iv. When the correct code is keyed in, turn the top knob to the RIGHT.
 - v. The box will fall open and expose the key to the gate.
 - vi. The key is on a retractable line.
 - vii. Open the lock with the key and return the key to the box.
 - viii. Close the box and turn the top knob to the LEFT to lock and reset.
 - ix. Close the weatherproof cover and enjoy the day.
 - e. NOTE: When you press the keys for the code, you will hear then and feel them push in, so press firmly. Also, the new lock on the gate with relock with the key, again, firmly push it together and no need to pull the key back out.
 - f. There is a SECOND lockbox on House #1. It will have the same code as the front gate. You can open it to paint anything you shot on the Pistol range.

4. No rifles, shotguns, or pistols shall be carried to and from the parking area onto the range area while loaded unless part of an organized exercise.
5. **No center fire rifle cartridges on pistol range.**
6. Retail or homemade exploding targets are not allowed on gun range.
7. No fireworks on gun range.
8. No trash burning.
9. Smoking materials are to be disposed of properly.
10. Place trash in designated containers.
11. Do not place targets on top of frames.
12. Shooting at bowling pins is permissible. After shooting, all pins must be collected and stored in the building.
13. There are two sit-on skeet throwers in the building at the pistol range. They can be placed on concrete pads at the rifle range.
14. Shooting at any glass container is strictly forbidden.
15. Do not erect makeshift targets midrange at any distance on the 100- and 200-yard range.
16. Rifles, shoguns, and pistols shall be loaded only after you have taken your place at the firing point, unless part of an organized exercise.
17. When not in actual use, all rifles and shotguns must have the action open. Pistols must have the cylinder out or slide back with the magazine out unless part of an organized exercise.
18. No rifles, shotgun, or pistol shall be moved from one firing point to another firing point until you have checked and made sure that the weapon is unloaded, unless part of an organized exercise.

19. All weapons shall be loaded and unloaded only while the muzzle is pointed toward the target unless part of an organized exercise.
20. When changing targets by going down range, the person should notify other shooters by calling **range cold or down** range. When done, he then calls **range hot**.
21. Shoot only at targets that are protected by the backstops. Only paper type or acceptable metal targets are to be used as targets. No bottles, cans, boards, or metal objects are to be taken onto the range to be used as targets unless approved by the joint range committee or part of an organized exercise.
22. Anyone using the range shall be responsible for keeping the range and parking area clean. All targets, paper trash, empty shotgun shells, etc., shall be picked up and disposed of in the appropriate containers.
23. No used targets shall be left on the backstops. All such targets shall be removed and disposed of.
24. It shall be the responsibility of every range user to make sure that he or she has **NOT** left any live cartridges on the range or in the parking area.
25. No range user shall willfully shoot at any range property such as target frames, buildings, bench rests, posts, etc., under penalty of immediate revocation of range privileges. Do not shoot target boards with shotguns - remove and lay on ground. Use cardboard to hold targets.
26. Spectators shall not be permitted at any time on or around the firing line, nor permitted to examine or handle any firearms.
27. An 18" by 24" red safety flag is mounted on a 10' pole at the entrance to the range. The safety flag is to be raised by anyone who is going to occupy the firing line. The last range user leaving the range shall lower the flag.
28. No alcoholic beverages or other substance shall be permitted on the range or in the parking area at any time. No person shall enter the range or parking area while under the influence of alcoholic beverages or other substances.
29. Only authorized personnel shall be permitted to use the range facilities.

30. No person may have more than one guest on the firing line at any one time. He or she will always be held responsible for guests. No guests shall be permitted on the firing line during a rifle, shotgun, or pistol event unless approved by the joint range committee, or part of an organized exercise.
31. When a rifle, shotgun, or pistol match is being conducted at the range, a range officer or his duly appointed assistant from the organization holding the match must be present. All competitors participating in the match must obey all firing line commands from the range officer or his duly appointed assistant.
32. Every person using the range will have someone to be responsible for him or her. If someone is found on the range WITHOUT someone to be responsible for him or her, they should be asked to leave.
33. Shooting hours will be 9:00 AM to dusk, maximum, except for organized exercises held by law enforcement or events approved by the joint range committee.
34. The entrance to the range facilities will be by road which crosses both private and city property. This property is not ours and shall not be tampered with.
35. Every member of the club shall endeavor to foster better sportsmanship and good citizenship wherever he or she may be; to obey all hunting laws, to help in the preservation of our wildlife, and to help in the training of our youths in the safe use of firearms, sportsmanship, and hunting. Any member convicted of violating any hunting laws shall have his or her name submitted to the joint range committee for possible revocation of range privileges.
36. Any member seeing any other member violating any of the above Rules may, within seven days, submit in writing the violator name and violation charge to any club officer, who shall in turn bring the charges before the joint range committee, who, if finding the member guilty of the charged violation, shall recommend the punishment.
37. Violation of rules can lead to being permanently banned from the gun range.
38. Range Location:
 - a. Located off of Bredan Road from South Virginia St. (FM 1090 S)

