

**THE SPORTSMAN'S CLUB OF BROWN COUNTY  
SHOOTING RANGE AND  
FIREARM HANDLING RULES**

1. Know how your firearm operates.
2. Be sure your firearm and ammunition are compatible.
3. Only one caliber of firearm and ammunition is allowed at the shooting bench; when at the Range with more than one firearm, only one can be used at a time and when finished with one, that firearm and its ammunition must be stored before using another one.
4. Always point the muzzle in a safe direction, up or down, until you are seated at a shooting bench.
5. The firearm must be unloaded (chamber empty and magazine empty or removed), with the action open, until you are ready to load and fire or are authorized to load and fire, when Rangemasters are present.
6. No alcohol or drugs can be consumed within the 4 hour period before engaging in shooting activities.
7. Eye and ear protection must be worn by everyone within 25 feet of the firing line.
8. Keep your finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard until you are ready to fire.
9. Verify the position of your target and what is beyond and adjacent to the target; make sure no one is downrange.
10. Clothing must be worn which does not interfere with the safe handling of firearms.
11. When present, Rangemasters can implement additional rules, as needed, for the safe operation of the Shooting Range.

**GENERAL RULES**

1. When present, the range officer (Rangemaster) has the authority to bar any person from, or require any person to leave, the Shooting Range at any time the Rangemaster, in his/her sole discretion, deems the person or shooting conditions to be unsafe for any reason. The Rangemaster is the final authority on the Shooting Range, **however, anyone can call a cease fire if he/she sees an unsafe situation.**
2. Shooting Range commands must be obeyed immediately.
3. Before you cross the firing line and approach the shooting bench, your firearm must be unloaded and the action must be open.
4. Any dry firing must be done at the shooting bench while aiming downrange toward the target and backstop.
5. Keep firearms pointed downrange at the backstop when loading and closing the action; the muzzle must always be pointed downrange when you are at the shooting bench.
6. Each shooter must only shoot at the target in his/her lane; make certain that no one is downrange before firing. Shooting across lanes is prohibited.
7. Shooting a firearm from an unstable position, such as shooting from the hip, is prohibited.
8. When you are done firing, unload the firearm, open the action, place the firearm on the shooting bench with the muzzle pointing downrange, and step back behind the firing line.
9. Stay behind the firing line until all shooting benches have been cleared.

10. During each cease fire, all firearms must be on the shooting benches, unloaded, with actions open, and with muzzles pointed downrange.
11. Every time you place your firearm on the shooting bench, it must be unloaded, have the action open, with the muzzle pointed downrange.
12. No one can be in front of the firing line and the shooting benches until all firearms are on the benches, unloaded, with actions open, and muzzles pointed downrange.
13. No one can sit or stand at any shooting bench during a cease fire until all shooters have returned to the benches.
14. The muzzle of every firearm must be in front of the front edge of the shooting bench when firing.
15. Shooting into the baffles is prohibited and will result in expulsion from the Shooting Range - the baffles are not a backstop.
16. When you are finished shooting, you cannot remove your firearm, and other equipment, from the shooting bench until all shooters have ceased firing; when leaving the bench area, your firearm must be unloaded with the action open, and pointed, up or down even if cased.
17. Boisterous conduct is prohibited; a shooting range is no place for pranks. Refusal to observe proper conduct, Shooting Range rules, or Rangemaster instructions, will result in expulsion from the Shooting Range.
18. Tracer and other ammunition considered to be incendiary or explosive are prohibited; incendiary and exploding targets are prohibited.
19. No fully automatic firearms are allowed; that means no machine firearms, submachine firearms or machine pistols.
20. No toy guns or cap firearms are allowed; BB guns and air rifles are allowed.
21. No paintball guns of any type are allowed.
22. Targets must be placed on the stands supplied by the Shooting Range. Personal portable target stands are NOT ALLOWED. You must remove and properly dispose of your targets, cartridge casings, and any trash.
23. Use common courtesy; if your type of shooting, or if the caliber or type of your firearm, are interfering with the enjoyable or safe use of the Shooting Range by others, you must reduce your firing time; the Rangemaster, if present, can also reduce your firing time.
24. No child under 18 years of age can use the Shooting Range without the direct and close supervision of an adult; the adult cannot be shooting at the same time as the child. Every child who is not shooting must also be under immediate adult supervision at ALL TIMES.
25. Smoking is not permitted within 25 feet of the firing line.
26. If you brought it - - you take it home! Clean up your trash.

EVERY PERSON ENTERING THE ENCLOSED CHAINLINK FENCED AREA OF THE SHOOTING RANGE MUST SIGN A "RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT".

Adopted by the Board of Directors  
Robert Bucholz, President  
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