

INTRODUCTION:

- -These orders have been established to ensure the safety of all members and visitors to Lang Lang Rifle Club.
- -The Range Orders of Lang Lang Rifle Club Inc. must be reviewed annually by the Committee and republished as appropriate.
- -These Range Orders in no way replace any item contained in the Standard Shooting Rules (SSRs) in place and sanctioned by the Victorian Rifle Association (VRA) and the National Rifle Association of Australia (NRAA) and are intended to cover individual range requirements and Victoria Police (VICPOL) requirements specific to the Lang Lang Rifle Club Inc.

SECTION 1 - FIREARMS HANDLING RULES

- 1.1 Always keep the action open and the firearm (and any magazine) unloaded with a visible breech flag fitted, until in position on the mound ready to shoot.
- 1.2 Before commencement of the first shooting session per visit, the Range Officer must witness the person shooting carrying out a "vigorous bolt cycling" and trigger function test on their firearm on the mound. (As per NRAA-SSRs Rule 3.5.2.4)
- 1.3 While loading the rifle and once loaded the muzzle must be pointed in the direction of the target. This rule must be enforced. (As per NRAA-SSRs Rule 2.1.2)
- 1.4 The action of your rifle must not be closed until the firearm is in your shoulder and the muzzle is pointed within the confines of the stop butt.
- 1.5 Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.



- 1.6 Before leaving the mound, the rifle must be checked and declared as safe to remove, i.e. "cleared" by the Range Officer or Scorer. The muzzle of the rifle must remain pointing down range until cleared. This applies regardless of the rifle having been fired or not. A breech flag is to be placed in the breech before the rifle may be removed from the mound.
- 1.7 Use only the correct ammunition for your firearm. The maximum permissible calibre on the main range is 8.0mm
- 1.8 The zeroing of rifles must be done at the 100-yard mound and is to be shot on the paper sighting-in targets at positions 1 and 2 only. Bore-sighting should be carried out prior to live fire for sighting-in.
- 1.9 The running in of new barrels may be done on a portable bench rest at the 100-yard mound, and without exception all rounds will be fired into the stop butt.
- 1.10 Homemade or personal targets (NO METAL PARTS) for member sighting-in and/or load development purposes, will be allowed with the approval of the Senior Range Officer.
- 1.11 Never allow the muzzle to point in a direction whereby an inadvertent discharge would allow the escape of a projectile from the range.
- 1.12 Do not handle any firearms during a cease fire. Follow all Range Officers instructions in respect of the resumption of shooting.
- 1.13 Red flags must be visible at the shooting mound when in use.
- 1.14 Muzzle brakes are Prohibited.
- 1.15 Rapid firing is not permitted on any club range at any time. All shooters must take appropriate time to note and consider the placement of each shot on target, before a following shot is fired.
- 1.16 Antique Military rifles & muzzle loaders, if of a permitted calibre (see 1.7 above) cannot be shot at distances exceeding 200 yards, unless fitted with Target Sights and only with the approval of the Chief Range Officer.



- 1.17 Rimfire rifles cannot be shot at distances exceeding 200 yards.
- 1.18 All Historical / Military events require pre-approval of the Committee. This includes submission & approval of the course of fire a minimum of two weeks prior to the date of the event.
- 1.19 Suppressors may only be used by persons licensed by VICPOL to do so & only with the pre-approval of the Chief Range Officer.
- 1.20 It is prohibited to use metal or metal framed targets.

SECTION 2 - SMALLBORE RANGE

- 2.1 The general Firearms Handling Rules as set out in Section 1 of these rules, must be applied to the safe handling of rimfire firearms on the Smallbore Range.
- 2.2 When the smallbore and fullbore ranges are in use, the Range Officers on both ranges must remain in radio contact at all times.
- 2.3 Red flags must be displayed when the range is in use.
- 2.4 A Range Officer must always be present when the range is open and they must wear a Hi Viz Jacket.
- 2.5 Only subsonic ammunition will be allowed (less than 1150 fps muzzle velocity)
- 2.6 All rifles will shoot into the target holders / bullet traps provided & only at the distances 20 yards & 50 yards as marked out on the range.
- 2.7 When a the Range Officer declares a cease fire, for the purposes of target retrieval, all rifles are to be cleared by the Range officer, breech flags are to inserted & all rifles must be removed from bench rests and stored in the gun rack. No firearms may be handled during a ceasefire / target changeover, until the Range Officer declares "Range Open" and permits shooters to collect their firearms from the rack.



SECTION 3 - GENERAL RANGE RULES

- 3.1 All members are expected to familiarise themselves with these Range Orders, must observe and adhere to safety signage, and are to obey the directions of Range Officers at all times.
- 3.2 Any breach of these rules will result in disciplinary action being taken by the Committee and possible expulsion from the club.
- 3.3 Any member who witnesses a breach of these safety rules must report it immediately to the Range Officer and the Captain and submit a written report to the Captain within 24 hours.
- 3.4 Hearing Protection is mandatory. Eye Protection is strongly advised.
- 3.5 Never consume alcohol or take illicit drugs before shooting.
- 3.6 Store firearms so they are not accessible to unauthorised persons.
- 3.7 Stop butts must be regularly maintained as safe and efficient barriers.
- 3.8 The range must not be used on gazetted dog racing days, with the exception of the smallbore range, where only sub sonic ammunition is permitted.
- 3.9 All visitors must sign the Visitor's Book regardless of whether they intend to shoot or not.



SECTION 4 - TERMINOLOGY

Firearm: All rifles up to 8.0mm calibre maximum.

Club: Lang Lang Rifle Club Inc.

Range: Lang Lang Rifle Club Ranges (i.e. fullbore/centrefire and smallbore/rimfire active shooting areas).

Mound: Refers in general to any range-approved location from where shooters take up position under the supervision of the Range Officer, including benchrest tables, etc.

Butts / Stop Butts: The area housing and/or immediately behind targets, designed and maintained to "stop" projectiles from travelling beyond the target location and general range boundaries.

Range Officer (RO): A person whose VRA Membership card states that they hold a current Range Officer accreditation & who has been rostered by the Committee to perform such duties by the Committee of Lang Lang Rifle Club.