



# Range Orders



# Cadeby Rifle & Revolver Club

Hollowgate Lane - Cadeby



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*NO PERSON IS ALLOWED TO SHOOT UNLESS THEY HAVE READ,  
UNDERSTOOD THE RANGE RULES*

### 1. MAIN RANGE ENTRY

- a. The first Member to arrive at the Range will ensure that the **MAIN GATE RED FLAG** is raised.
- b. The **RANGE MAIN GATE** must always remain locked when there is any live firing on the range.
- c. The first member to arrive at the Range must also ensure that the **RED FLAG** is raised outside of the **25m FIRING POINT ENTRY DOOR**.

### 2. BEFORE SHOOTING COMMENCES

- a. A Range Conducting Officer must be decided upon from the experienced shooting members present.
- b. The Range Conducting Officer **MUST** be non-shooting.
- c. Members may take turns to be the non-shooter and act as Range Conducting Officer for each other.
- d. No member may shoot unaccompanied on any range managed or used by the club.
- e. The Range Conducting Officer will have complete jurisdiction over the range and must be always obeyed.
- f. Prior to any shooting the Range Officers responsible for the 25 yard or 50-yard range will ensure that the red flags are raised.

### 3. RANGE CONDUCTING OFFICER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. The Range Conducting Officer is in complete control on the Range.
- b. Where there is a Range Conducting Officer on both the 25m and 50m ranges the Range Officer on the 25m Range will be considered the Senior Range Officer.

- c. The Range Conducting Officer is responsible for running, in all respects, a safe range.
- d. A separate Range Conducting Officer shall be appointed for each range that is in use.
- e. Prior to any firearms being un-bagged or un-cased the Range Conducting Officer MUST inspect the range to ensure the range is fit for use.
- f. The Range Conducting Officer shall complete the Range Officer Register stating the time supervision commenced, the time it ceased and if any incident occurred.
- g. The Range Conducting Officer must not leave the Range until all firearms are bagged and securely removed or until another Range Conducting Officer takes control of the range.
- h. The Range Conducting Officer shall ensure that ear protection is worn by all persons present on the range prior to the commencement of firing.
- i. The Range Conducting Officer shall direct when firing will commence and when firing will cease with clear simple commands ensuring that everyone present can hear.
- j. The Range Conducting Officer shall ensure that all firearms are proved clear before authorising any person to go forward of the firing point.
- k. Before the Range Conducting Officer authorises a person to go forward of the firing point, they MUST ensure that all other persons on the range shall move away from the firing points.
- l. The Range Conducting Officer will ensure that no-one approaches the firing points until he/she gives instructions to do so.
- m. The Range Conducting Officer will ensure that shooters have completed the Range Record when they arrive including:
  - i. Date of Arrival
  - ii. Time of arrival
  - iii. Member's initials
  - iv. Membership number
  - v. Calibre of firearm
  - vi. Maker of firearm
  - vii. Identification number of firearm
  - viii. Type of firearm action

- n. When a Member ceases shooting the Range Conducting Officer will ensure that the member completes the Range Record entering:
  - i. their finish time
  - ii. the number of rounds fired.

#### **4. RANGE SAFETY**

##### **a. Individual range entry and exit.**

- i. Entry for the 25m range is via the door at the top of the steps only.
- ii. No person is to attempt to access or exit the range via the sloped are leading to the 25m range.
- iii. Access to the 50m range is only available via the 25m range entrance.
- iv. No access will be granted to the 50m range until the Range Officer controlling the 25m grants permission.

##### **b. Upon entry to the range.**

- i. All members must display their current membership badge at all times. Be aware the club operates a “*No Badge – No Shooting*” policy.
- ii. All firearms must be unloaded and cased when brought onto the range.
- iii. On entry to the range, members must have ear defenders in place.
- iv. On arrival at the range you may NOT place ANY kit in the firing point until the Range Controlling Officer gives permission.
- v. All firearms must remain bagged until the Range Conducting Officer grants permission for the firearms to be brought to the shooting point.

##### **c. Aiming or “Dry Firing”**

- i. No one may aim a rifle, look through the sights, remove a breech flag or insert a bolt unless you are on the firing point with the Range Controlling Officer’s permission.

#### **d. Firearms on the firing point.**

- i. Firearms may only be un-cased on the Firing Point
- ii. Where possible firearms will have their bolts and magazines removed and a breech flag in place.
- iii. You must not load or fire until told to do so by the Range Controlling Officer.
- iv. You are reminded to hold your rifles horizontally when loading, unloading, dealing with misfires and having the rifle inspected.
- v. There must be no deliberate cross firing.
- vi. If you have a misfire:
  - 1. Do not open the bolt for at least 30 seconds.
  - 2. Keep the firearm pointing horizontally towards the target
  - 3. Clear the firearm.
- vii. If you have difficulty with a firearm or are unable to clear it
  - 1. Place the firearm on the firing point with the muzzle pointing horizontally down range towards the target
  - 2. Raise your hand to attract the Range Conducting Officer's attention.

#### **e. Before changing targets:**

- i. All firearms must have:
  - 1. Magazines removed (if any)
  - 2. Bolts removed (If possible)
  - 3. A breech flag inserted.
- ii. All firearms must be placed on the firing point with muzzles facing down range
- iii. All members must stand back from the firing point.
- iv. Firearms must be ready for inspection by the Range Conducting Officer(s).
- v. Once the Range Controlling Officer has proved all firearms are clear he will then grant permission for targets may be changed.

**f. After changing targets.**

- i. The Range Controlling Officer will check the Range is safe.
- ii. The Range Controlling Officer will then grant permission for shooters to approach the firing point.
- iii. The Range Controlling Officer will then grant permission for firearms to be loaded and shooting to commence.

**g. Emergency Stop**

- i. If firing has to stop in an emergency the RCO will shout: "STOP! STOP! STOP!"
- ii. ANYBODY can shout "STOP! STOP! STOP!" in an EMERGENCY
- iii. If you hear the command "STOP, STOP, STOP"
  1. You must then IMMEDIATELY cease firing,
  2. You must keep the rifle pointed at the target.
  3. You must keep your finger clear of the trigger.
  4. You must await further instructions from the Range Conducting Officer.
- iv. NO SHOOTING MAY RESUME UNTIL DEEMED SAFE TO DO SO BY THE RANGE CONDUCTING OFFICER

**h. Removal of firearms from the firing points.**

- i. Before firearms are removed from the firing point they are to be proved clear by the Range Conducting Officer.
- ii. Before firearms are removed from the firing point, they should be cased or bagged.
- iii. Once proved clear and bagged / cased, all firearms should be returned to the racks at the back of the firing point or removed from the range..

**5. Ammunition**

- a. All ammunition must comply with the Range Safety Certificate.
- b. Failure to comply with the Range Safety Certificate may result in expulsion.

**6. Black powder shooters will observe the following rules.**

- a. Wear ear and eye protection
  - b. Only “Cap off” firearms at the firing point.
  - c. Never bring pre-loaded or part loaded firearms to the range.
  - d. Ensure that black powder firearms are never pointed either to the left or right of the shooting point.
  - e. Black powder firearms may only be pointed upwards during the loading process and after the firearm has been fired. At ALL other times the firearm must be pointed forward.
  - f. Only load at the firing point from prepared measures.
  - g. Must not leave loaded firearms unattended.
  - h. in the case of a choked barrel ensure that it is made safe by a competent person.
  - i. Only use commercially manufactured black powder (or a recognised substitute
  - j. Only use commercially prepared percussion caps.
  - k. Be aware the use of non-commercially prepared black powders, black powder substitutes and percussion caps is expressly forbidden.
7. All members must be fully proficient with the use of any firearm in their possession at the range.
8. Any person who is deemed unsafe by fellow members must be reported to the Range Conducting Officer, who must inform the committee.
9. No smoking or vaping is allowed at the Firing Point.
10. The range must be cleared after shooting has finished. The floor swept, rubbish removed, targets renewed, target boards put away, empty brass taken home or placed in the bucket provided. Shutters are to be closed and locked, the range doors left fully locked and secured.
11. Vehicles are to be parked on the grass area adjacent to the firing point only. No vehicles are to be parked behind, alongside, or in front of the access steps to the firing point, this is a safety issue for emergency access.

12. The vehicle parking area and range perimeter are to be left in a clean and tidy condition.
13. The range opening times are:
  - a. Monday – Saturday 09:00 to 21:00 (*during daylight hours only*)
  - b. Sunday 11:00 to 13:00