

# SIERRA CCW SAFETY RULES FOR HANDLING FIREARMS

## AS APPLIED TO CCW HOLDERS

### **ASSUME EVERY GUN IS LOADED UNLESS PROVEN OTHERWISE.**

Unloaded means magazine out or cylinder swung out, and no ammo in firearm.

### **ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION.**

For CCW, a safe direction is either pointed at the bad guy or in the holster. Down at the ground or up in the air is not a safe direction. You are responsible for every round you launch. Panning people or property with a loaded firearm, even momentarily, is an automatic disqualification.

### **KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL READY TO SHOOT.**

This means finger completely out of the finger guard. No exceptions, even for a millisecond.

### **KNOW YOUR TARGET AND WHAT IS BEYOND.**

Any round or caliber can over-penetrate the target, so anyone standing behind the target may get hit with your round.

### **KEEP THE GUN UNLOADED UNTIL READY FOR USE.**

If you do not need to use or carry your firearm, there is no reason to keep it loaded.

### **THE PRIMARY SAFETY OF ANY FIREARM IS YOUR FINGER.**

Every firearm has a safety, even revolvers. It's your trigger finger. The only way modern firearms discharge is if someone pulls the trigger. There is no such thing as an accidental discharge.