A Private Shooting Range and NRA Affiliate Club

### **Cow Creek Hunt Club Rules and Regulations**

Prior to shooting, member sign-in is required. The sign-in roster is located in the panel box at the 50 yard range. It is the 2nd shooting shed on the left as you drive in. If you have a guest, enter their full name and relationship. LIMIT TWO GUEST PER VISIT. Sign out prior to leaving the range. Please print legibly. Scheduled activities such as pistol matches, trap shoots, turkey shoots and other scheduled events are exempt from the sign-in rule.

Guests and minors must remain with, and under the direct supervision of, their host member. Minors will handle firearms ONLY WHILE ON THE FIRING LINE AND UNDER THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THEIR PARENT OR GUARDIAN. Guests and minors are not permitted to wander the range unsupervised.

A guest may be a guest 5 times only. Immediate (lineal) family members and minors are exempt from the 5 time rule. Members are encouraged to ask their frequent guests to apply for a range membership.

No fully automatic firearms (machine guns) are allowed on any club ranges at any time, nor is firing any firearm modified that gives the assumption of fully automatic fire.

Being on the premise and/or firing before 9AM or after 6PM is strictly forbidden unless attending a scheduled club function.

### I. The 10 Commandments of Firearm Safety

- 1. ALWAYS Keep The Gun Pointed In A Safe Direction. This is the primary rule of gun safety. Common sense dictates the safest direction, depending on different circumstances.
- 2. ALWAYS Keep Your Finger Off The Trigger Until Ready To Shoot. When holding a gun, rest your finger alongside the frame and outside the trigger guard. Until you are actually ready to fire, do not touch the trigger.
- 3. ALWAYS Keep The Gun Unloaded Until Ready To Use. If you do not know how to open the action or inspect the chamber(s), leave the gun alone and get help from someone who does.
- 4. **Know your target and what is beyond.** Be absolutely sure you have identified your target beyond any doubt. Equally important, be aware of the area beyond your target. This means observing your prospective area of fire before you shoot. Never fire in a direction in which there are people or any other potential for mishap. Think first. Shoot second.
- Know how to use the gun safely. Before handling a gun, learn how it operates. Know its basic parts, how to safely open and close the action and remove any ammunition from the gun or magazine. Remember, a gun's mechanical safety device is never foolproof. Nothing can ever replace safe gun handling.
- 6. **Be sure the gun is safe to operate.** Just like other tools, guns need regular maintenance to remain operable. Regular cleaning and proper storage are a part of the gun's general upkeep. If there is any question concerning a gun's ability to function, a knowledgeable gunsmith should look at it.
- 7. **Use only the correct ammunition for your gun.** Only BBs, pellets, cartridges or shells designed for a particular gun can be fired safely in that gun. Most guns have the ammunition type stamped on the barrel. Ammunition can be identified by information printed on the box and sometimes stamped on the cartridge. Do not shoot the gun unless you know you have the proper ammunition.

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- 8. Wear eye and ear protection as appropriate.Guns are loud and the noise can cause hearing damage. They can also emit debris and hot gasses that could cause eye injury. For these reasons, shooting glasses and hearing protection should be worn by shooters and spectators.
- 9. Never use alcohol, over-the-counter drugs or prescription drugs before or while shooting. Alcohol, as well as any other substance likely to impair normal mental or physical bodily functions, must not be used before or while handling or shooting guns.
- 10. **Store guns so they are not accessible to unauthorized persons.** Many factors must be considered when deciding where and how to store guns. A person's particular situation will be a major part of the consideration. Dozens of gun storage devices, as well as locking devices that attach directly to the gun, are available. However, mechanical locking devices, like the mechanical safeties built into guns, can fail and should not be used as a substitute for safe gun handling and the observance of all gun-safety rules.

Additional Safety Precautions - Be aware that certain types of guns and many shooting activities require additional safety precautions.

**Cleaning -** Regular cleaning is important in order for your gun to operate correctly and safely. Taking proper care of it will also maintain its value and extend its life. Your gun should be cleaned every time that it is used. A gun brought out of prolonged storage should also be cleaned before shooting. Accumulated moisture and dirt, or solidified grease and oil, can prevent the gun from operating properly. Before cleaning your gun, make absolutely sure that it is unloaded. The gun's action should be open during the cleaning process. Also, be sure that no ammunition is present in the cleaning area.

# II. Cow Creek Hunt Club Range Rules

- 1. Designate a range officer when none is present or assigned. The first person to arrive on the range shall act as range officer until a designated range officer is present or assigned.
- 2. Obey all range commands.
- 3. UNLOAD, open the action, remove the magazine and ground and/or bench all firearms during cease-fire.
- 4. Do not handle any firearm while others are down range.
- 5. Always keep the muzzle pointed at the backstop. Never allow the muzzle to point in any direction whereby an inadvertent discharge would allow the escape of a projectile into an outer area or exit the range property.
- 6. Know where others are at all times for safety reasons.
- 7. Shoot only at authorized targets. Ground level targets are not authorized without a proper backstop.
- 8. No angled or cross range firing. Shoot only at targets perpendicular to your position.
- 9. No steel shooting is permitted.
- 10. Mining of lead, climbing, walking or molesting the backstop or berms is strictly prohibited.
- 11. Maintain proper target height to ensure that the fired projectile, after passing through the target, hits the desired portion of the backstop.
- 12. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages are allowed on any range at any time
- 13. Police your area and pick up all empty cartridges, shells and trash. Take your garbage home with you.
- 14. Remove your paper targets from target boards and dispose of them upon leaving.

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#### III. Pistol Range Rules (7-25 yard range)

- 1. All shooting shall be done from the firing line.
- 2. No rifles (other than .22 rimfire) or shotguns are allowed.
- 3. Use only paper targets that will fit on the target backboards.
- 4. No recreational firing at metal targets on this range.
- 5. Firearms will not be taken down range unless carried in a holster designed for that firearm. At no time will a loaded firearm be carried down range.
- 6. Range rules apply to the pistol range and the 50 yard range concurrently. Range commands are to be obeyed by all present on both ranges at the same time

### IV. Rifle Range Rules (50 yard, 100 yard and 200 yard ranges)

- 1. All firing must be done from the firing line directly under the shooting sheds.
- 2. No firing shall take place behind or in front of any of the shooting sheds.
- 3. Use only paper targets that will fit on the target backboards. No recreational firing at metal targets on this range.
- 4. The 200 yard range will be closed during scheduled Trap shoots.
- 5. Range commands apply to the 50 yard range and the pistol range concurrently. Range commands are to be obeyed by all present on both ranges at the same time.

#### V. Trap Range Rules

- 1. All firearms must be unloaded and racked when not in use.
- 2. All firearms must be carried to and from the firing line with actions open.
- 3. The line captain shall be the first shooter in line.
- 4. The captain shall ask, "Is the line ready? Is the scorer ready? Is the puller ready?"
- 5. If all are ready, the captain will ask, "May we see a bird please?"
- 6. The shooters, in turn, shall call their own bird (pull).
- 7. The scorer shall call, change stations, after each 5 rounds.

#### VI. Pit Area Range Rules (east side of 200 yd range)

- 1. The pit areas are closed when the 200 yard range is being used.
- 2. The pit areas are used for individual specialized practice, group instruction and shotgun patterning.
- 3. No recreational firing at metal targets on this range.
- 4. All targets must be set against the backstop. Ground level targets are not authorized.

### VII. Archery Range Rules

- 1. When at the line, you are at the line to SHOOT.
- 2. Step back from the line for any other purpose. (Adjustments etc.)
- 3. When finished shooting, step back and WAIT for other shooters to finish.
- 4. When CLEAR is given, you may retrieve arrows, change targets, etc
- 5. Any arrow shot or dropped that cannot be retrieved from the line will be left until clear is given.
- 6. No Broadheads will be used on Club targets.
- 7. Absolutely NO FIREARMS are to be used on the archery range and archery targets.

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#### **Club Contact Information**

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# • IMPORTANT!

Be aware that hours of operation (9am-6pm) and full auto firing rules are NOT rules of our Club, but rules imposed upon us by the County of Volusia.

ANY violation of these two rules will put our club in jeopardy and will result in suspension of your membership.

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## Accessible Areas of the Club Property for Members

Access to the BLUE areas are allowed for all members Access to wooded areas and areas inside the RED are NOT ALLOWED.



### **Please remember:**

- 1. DO NOT ENTER the club property before 9 AM.
- 2. ALWAYS sign in upon arrival.
- 3. ALWAYS EXIT the property before 6 PM
- 4. ALWAYS sign out upon exit.
- 5. NO FULL AUTO or anything that sounds like it.
- 6. DO NOT shoot at anything on the ground.
- 7. DO NOT shoot at metal targets on any range.
- 8. ALWAYS make sure your shots impact the center area of the berm.
- 9. STAY SAFE and ALWAYS OBEY the 10 Commandments of Gun Safety.