ALBERNI FISH AND GAME CLUB RIFLE/PISTOL RANGE RULES

1. These rules are in addition to the General Range rules. Sanctioned events and activities under the supervision of an RSO may have variations.
2. When on the property, you must have your Membership Card or Day Pass displayed at all times. Anyone found using the property without a membership card will be required to leave the property. The opportunity to purchase a day pass will not be given to a person who is stealing from our non-profit volunteer club.
3. You must be holster trained to use a holster while firing on the range. Only the RCMP may exercise this privilege.
4. Weather – Our ranges are subject to changing weather conditions, which can include fog, and large pools of water. The rules of safe shooting dictate that you MUST be able to see where you bullet will land (not just the target you are shooting at). This is to ensure that any wildlife (deer, bears etc.) or people that may wander onto the range do not get accidentally shot. If the fog rolls in, you must STOP shooting and wait until it rolls out, usually between 5 to 15 minutes. Large pools of water can cause ricochets, and the range must not be used when one is present.
5. This range is approved for calibers up to and including 338 Lapua template is maximum. The maximum allowable shooting distance is 300 yards. Pistols are approved to the .357 Magnum template.
6. The firing line is defined as the front of the concrete slab. USE THE WOODEN SHOOTING TABLES.
7. Firearms may only be loaded and unloaded at the firing line facing down range. (i.e. at the wooden shooting bench) Uncasing and casing of firearms SHALL also be done at the shooting bench with the muzzle facing down range.

Targets

8. Targets are to be paper or other approved targets such as gongs and silhouettes. Shooting at target frames, bottles, cans etc. Or anything on the ground is <u>prohibited</u>. Subject to membership suspension.
9. No shooting of wildlife on the range.
10. Rapid fire and uncontrolled fire are <u>NOT permitted</u> on this range. ALL SHOTS must be directed at a target, and all fire must be sighted (i.e. No ‘hip shooting’ or similar).
11. All personal metal targets must be pre-approved by the Caretaker or Range Safety Officer (if present) prior to use on this range. If a Caretaker or Range Safety Officer is not available to approve your metal target, you CANNOT use it.

12. Approved metal targets MUST be a minimum distance of 50 yards for Centre-fire rifle and 20 yards for handguns, and 11 yards (10 meters) for .22 rim fire from the designated firing line. **Lead Ammo** only for metal targets which are **closer than 100 yards**.
13. The Manager/Caretaker has a supply of paper targets (small cost involved) which may be used on this range.
14. The right side of the range is set up with four sets of metal target stands with sand berm backers held by wood backstops. This is for .22 rim fire silhouette match and practice ONLY. No Centre-fire ammo is to be directed towards the silhouette backstops.

Cease Fire Procedure

15. Ceasefires are called to allow shooters to venture safely downrange to set up and change their targets. The timing of each ceasefire should be mutually decided upon between the shooters present. If the range is busy the 20/10-ceasefire system is preferred (20 minutes of shooting followed by 10 minutes of ceasefire etc.)
16. When a cease-fire is called, ALL shooters will carry out the following actions:
a) All firearms will be completely unloaded, all ammo and magazines removed, actions opened and in the racks. Handguns must be placed in the pistol rack on the back bench with slide locked back or cylinder open, unloaded with an open chamber indicator in barrel.
b) The handling of firearms is prohibited during a cease-fire.

Range Flag System

17. The 'Range Safety Flag System' procedure MUST be followed during all range use:
a) RED Light – Range is in use (HOT). It is safe to fire at targets down range.
b) GREEN Light – Range is CLOSED; guns are unloaded, actions open and placed in the racks. It is safe to move forward of the firing line to change targets on the range.
c) ONLY when a cease-fire is called and all firearms are safe can the Range Safety light be changed to GREEN, and only when the light is GREEN, can shooters move forward of the designated firing line. Please wait for the RSO to designate that the "range is safe".
d) If preceding downrange beyond the 100-yard target stand the portable green flag must be positioned at the 50-yard station.

e) The Range Safety Officer if present or acting range Officer will be the last person to turn off the cease-fire warning light and exchange the range safety light and will ONLY do so after having ensured that all required procedures have been followed.