

# Galveston Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc.

## RANGE RULES

Range Number 409-497-2304

<https://galvestonrpc.com>

1. The Galveston Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc. is a private range. Current adult members who purchased a Guest card may bring **one (1) guest at a time**. Guest must be in presence of sponsoring adult member at all times. Guests are subject to ALL range rules.
2. Members must sign in and out on the form that is provided in the sign-in box. Print your guest name.
3. **Alcoholic and other intoxicating substances are PROHIBITED**. Anyone who is found to be intoxicated/and or under the influence while on Club property will be prosecuted and membership revoked.
4. Junior members are permitted to fire on the range **only** when accompanied by an **Adult member** of the Club who is responsible for their conduct.
5. Close and **lock the gate** when entering or leaving the range. Spin off the numbers.
6. If you are the first shooter to arrive, raise the red flag. If you are the last shooter to leave, lower flag and stow it.
7. You **MUST** wear your membership card in plain view at all times while on the range.
8. **Everyone** within 25 feet of the firing line **MUST wear Eye and Ear protection**.
9. Only **handguns** may be fired on the Pistol Ranges. If your handgun uses rifle ammo, take it to rifle range.
10. Shotguns may be fired from the eastern end of the rifle range, provided that the shotgun is fired in a safe direction and does not disturb other shooting activity. Do not shoot the targets with a shotgun.
11. Shooting on the rifle or pistol ranges is limited to paper targets mounted on frames provided by the Club. **Cans and other improvised targets are NOT allowed**. Shooting at glass bottles, bricks, cement or food is Prohibited. **Shooting Steel or Spinner targets is Prohibited on the Pistol or Rifle Range!**
12. The club provides target frames for members' use. **DO NOT** intentionally shoot at or otherwise damage the wooden frame. Be sure your bullet impacts the backstop of the **Berm!**
13. The club does not provide paper targets. You must bring your own paper targets and a stapler.
14. Position your targets so that you shoot squarely at the berms. **Do NOT** shoot toward the top or sides of the berms. **Do NOT shoot at the Ground!**
15. If you are unsure of the sighting of your firearm, check it at close range.
16. Shooting at aerial or thrown targets with rifle or handgun is prohibited. Only shotguns may be used for aerial targets.
16. You must clearly establish cease fires with other shooters before anyone goes down range. Announcing "**range is hot**" or "**range is cold**", is appropriate. Those who are behind the line during a cease-fire must not handle weapons or ammunition. Before going downrange, establish the Range is Clear.
17. **Keep all firearms unloaded**, the action open and no ammunition in the chamber until the firing range has been declared hot. Keep the breach locked back or blocked open at all times when not shooting. **DO NOT LEAVE A FIREARM ON THE BENCH OR IN THE RACKS WITH THE BREACH CLOSED.**
18. Put all club property in its place and sweep up spent brass and throw away.
19. Do not damage or deface Club property in any manner. Doing so is an act of Vandalism and membership will be revoked.
20. Do not handle firearms carelessly or engage in horseplay or permit others to do so. Always keep **muzzle pointed downrange**.
21. Do not fire in **FULL AUTO**/full-automatic mode or mechanically assisted sustained semi-automatic fire. **No "bump fire", "Hellfire", "Rapid fire", or "Three round burst!" No 50 BMG.**
22. Tracer, binary, exploding ammunition or targets and the use of **TANNERITE is strictly prohibited on Club property.**
23. Animals must be on a leash. Animals are **NOT** allowed on the firing line.
24. Firing is allowed thirty (30) minutes after sunrise to thirty (30) minutes before sunset.
25. Parts of the range may be closed to non-participants during competitions.
26. Trouble with the gate lock, find or leave something? Call 409-497-2304.
27. **All members pledge to obey these rules. The range is maintained by membership dues. Report range violations and vandalism to the President or any board member. Violators will be prosecuted and membership may be revoked. The Club President may be emailed at [info@galvestonrpc.com](mailto:info@galvestonrpc.com). Information about Club activities, new membership applications and renewal forms can be found on the website, [galvestonrpc.com](https://galvestonrpc.com).**

### ALL GUNS ARE ALWAYS LOADED!

Never let the muzzle cover anything you are not willing to destroy.

Keep your finger off the trigger till your sights are on the target.

Identify your target and what is behind it.

Sign Here: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement**

By accepting this Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk, and Indemnity Agreement (this "Waiver") of Galveston Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc. you represent and warrant that you are either 18 years of age or older, or that you are the legal guardian of an individual who is below 18 years of age ("minor participant") and may agree to this Waiver on such minor participant's behalf.

In consideration of my, the minor participant's or my guest's use of the facilities and equipment of and participation in activities at or on the premises of the Galveston Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc., including without limitation the activity of any firearms, ammunition, gun ranges, firing ranges, skeet shooting range, archery, competition shooting or any related activity, and the use of the property, personal dogs, equipment, facilities, and equipment (collectively, the "FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT") I agree to the following terms and conditions on my own behalf, the minor participant's behalf, or any of my guest(s) as applicable:

1. I acknowledge, represent, and warrant that (a) I have no physical limitations, conditions, or disabilities of any kind whatsoever that would inhibit me from using the Facilities and (b) I am not under the influence of alcohol or any drugs. If I am taking prescribed medication, I acknowledge, represent, and warrant that I have seen a physician and have that physician's approval to use the Facilities and Equipment while under the influence of such medication.
2. I acknowledge that handling firearms, shooting, target practice, rifle sighting, and related activities have inherent risks, hazards, and dangers that cannot be eliminated. I also acknowledge that agreeing to shoot or participate in any related activity at the Galveston Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc., that there are additional risks, hazards, and dangers to myself and others that cannot be eliminated. I understand that these risks, hazards, and dangers include without limitation the following: A person(s) with firearms both on or off the property and the use of vehicles, including using shooting stations and target stands, whether or not erected by Galveston Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc.; erosion and general condition of the land, both on and off roadways or trails, creating rough, hazardous and dangerous driving and walking conditions; animals both wild and domestic that may be diseased and/or potentially dangerous; insects, wasps and spiders; snakes or other venomous wildlife; the propensity of other participants, animals, or targets and projectiles to behave in ways that result in injury, harm, or death to myself or others around them; the unpredictability of an individual's or animal's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, places, persons, or other animals; certain hazards such as surface and sub-surface conditions that I might encounter whether they are obvious or not obvious, man-made or natural that may contribute to injury harm or death. I also acknowledge that there is the potential of another participant to act in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury, harm, or death to me, such as maintaining control of their gun or not acting within his or her ability. I understand the risks of handling firearms and being near others that have firearms in their possession and participating in an activity that involves the firing of a firearm. I am fully aware of the risks involved and the hazards connected with my use of the Facilities and Equipment, including but not limited to serious injury or death, and I hereby elect to voluntarily participate in and use the Facilities and Equipment with full knowledge that said activities may be hazardous to me or my personal property. I voluntarily ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR

ALL RISK of loss, property damage, or personal injury, INCLUDING DEATH, that may be sustained by me, or property owned by me, whether foreseeable or unforeseeable, known or unknown, arising from or related to my use the Facilities and Equipment, WHETHER CAUSED BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF GALVESTON RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB, INC., THE LAND OWNER, ITS DIRECTORS, AGENTS, OFFICERS, MEMBERS, EMPLOYEES, REPRESENTATIVES, SUCCESSORS, AND ASSIGNS (COLLECTIVELY: "RELEASEES") OR OTHERWISE.

3. I accept and acknowledge the unavailability of immediate professional medical attention. Furthermore, I accept and acknowledge that GALVESTON RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB, INC does not employ medical professionals and as such does not have any duty to administer any form of medical treatment. I understand that the Releasees do not carry or maintain health, medical, or disability insurance coverage for me.
4. I agree to follow all rules, procedures, and instructions discussed with or provided to me by Galveston Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc. and/or its owners, employees, agents, and representatives, including all such rules, procedures, and instructions about my safety and the safety of others. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the attention of the Galveston Rifle and Pistol Club Inc. immediately.
5. I, as a voluntary participant of activities at Galveston Rifle and Pistol Club Inc. and user of the "Facilities and Equipment", including on behalf of my heirs, successors, assigns, executors, subrogees, and representatives, do hereby RELEASE, WAIVE, AND DISCHARGE Galveston Rifle and Pistol Club, Inc., its owners, the landowner, directors, agents, officers, members, employees, representatives, successors, and assigns. FROM ANY AND ALL LIABILITY, CLAIMS, ACTIONS, CAUSES OF ACTION, SUITS, PROCEEDINGS, JUDGMENTS, AND DEMANDS WHATSOEVER, IN LAW OR IN EQUITY, ARISING FROM OR RELATED TO MY USE OF THE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT RESULTING IN ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, OR INJURY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DEATH, PERSONAL INJURY, OR MEDICAL COMPLICATIONS, WHETHER CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE. I further agree that if, despite this RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim against any of the Releasees, I SHALL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ANY LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSS, LIABILITY, DAMAGE, OR COST WHICH MAY BE INCURRED AS A RESULT OF SUCH CLAIM. I further agree to INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS EACH OF THE RELEASEES FROM ANY LITIGATION EXPENSES, ATTORNEY FEES, LOSS, LIABILITY, DAMAGE, OR COST ARISING FROM OR RELATED TO MY USE OF THE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT RESULTING IN ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, OR INJURY, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DEATH, PERSONAL INJURY, OR MEDICAL COMPLICATIONS, TO THIRD PARTY USERS OF THE FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT OR TO ANY OF THE RELEASEES, WHETHER CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE.

6. The validity of this Waiver and any of its terms and provisions shall be governed by, construed, interpreted, and enforced in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas. The venue for any action to enforce or interpret this Waiver shall be in a court of competent jurisdiction located in Galveston County, Texas.

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