

TRI-CITY GUN CLUB RANGE SAFETY RULES & REGULATIONS

TRI-CITY GUN CLUB SAFETY PHILOSOPHY:

Every participant in a Tri-City Gun Club activity is reminded of the fact that safety is of utmost importance and has been vigorously emphasized in all our shooting activities. Shooting activity participants whether they are shooters, Range Safety Officers, Safety Walkers, Match Directors, or observers have been briefed as to the importance of shooting safely. **All are reminded that they have already been EMPOWERED to observe and act as necessary to ensure the safest practical shooting environment for all.**

A. FIREARMS AND GUN HANDLING SKILLS

1. ***FIREARMS SHALL BE BROUGHT TO THE RANGE STAGING AREA OR FIRING LINE UNLOADED AND POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION AT ALL TIMES.***
2. Once brought out from a vehicle, firearms must be secured in a rack, placed on a shooting bench, or grounded on a shooting mat. Firearms may be cased when not in use.
3. ***FIREARMS THAT HAVE BEEN PLACED ON A SHOOTING BENCH, OR GROUNDED ON A SHOOTING MAT SHALL BE POINTED DOWNRANGE AND ONLY POINTED TOWARD OBJECTS INTENDED TO BE SHOT!***
4. Holstered firearms are allowed only during formal events.
5. When not being fired, firearm actions shall be open.
6. Loading of firearms may only be done when shooter is in position and ready to fire. During a match, the command to load will be given by the Match Director or Range Officer only.
7. Unless directed to do so by a Match Director, firearms shall not be carried forward of the firing line toward the target. However, the Match Director may approve the carrying of firearms by competitors during a match in an appropriate manner for the type of competition being held.
8. ***FIREARMS MAY NOT BE TOUCHED WHEN SOMEONE IS DOWN RANGE. THIS INCLUDES CARRYING ONE CASED OR NOT, TO OR FROM A VEHICLE.***
9. Prior to going down range, the firing line must be made cold. The firing line is cold when all firearms are grounded or benched, unloaded, and actions opened.
10. Sight and sling adjustments, periods for loading magazines, and such, will be upon instruction by the Match Director only.
11. Firearms capable of firing in a fully automatic mode are PROHIBITED at TCGC.
12. All Federal, State and Local regulations regarding concealed carry are applicable at Tri-City Gun Club.

B. SHOOTING AND MARKSMANSHIP

1. ***ANYONE MAY CALL A "CEASE FIRE" FOR ANY SAFETY REASON.***
2. Upon a "CEASE FIRE" command the shooter will immediately discontinue firing. Repeat the "cease fire" command.
3. Shooting time is from official sunrise to official sunset. Times are published in Hunting Rules & Regulations pamphlet, local newspaper, or local TV.
4. Eye and Ear protection is REQUIRED when on or near the firing line. At a minimum, this applies to anyone under the range covers for the activity being pursued. NO EXCEPTIONS.
5. Additional equipment such as a hat, sunglasses, drinking water, shooting jacket, gloves, sling, sandbag(s), shooting rest, etc. may be advisable depending on conditions and participant requirements. The water available at the range is not potable.
6. Ensure that no one is down range. Do not be shy - LOUDLY shout, "Is anyone downrange?"
7. Communicate with other participants immediately prior to making the range "HOT" and commencing fire.
8. All ranges are considered OPEN for informal shooting unless scheduled and reserved events are approved in advance (i.e. NRA Sportsfest, YHEC, Matches, ROTC practice, and range workday). See schedule in the HangFire.
9. Ensure that target stands are placed perpendicular to and with the square metal center frame facing the shooter and parallel with the berm. No cross firing on targets.
10. Always be aware of area behind designated target. Ensure that your bullet(s) will impact into the berm.
11. PREVENT ricochets. Hard ground, steel frames and berm debris all increase probability.
12. Aerial shooting is authorized with a shotgun only, with shot no larger in size than #7-1/2, and only on the shotgun range. Steel shot of #7 or smaller is acceptable.
13. Shotgun patterning may only be performed on patterning boards in the shotgun area. Shot larger than #7-1/2 and slugs may only be used on the rifle ranges. **Shotguns are not allowed on the plinking range.**

B. SHOOTING AND MARKSMANSHIP (Cont.)

14. .50 BMG chambered firearms may only be fired from the large range and from the shooting positions that have been designated for their use. Paper targets only may be used by these shooters. ***The .50 BMG may not be fired at metallic targets.***
15. Geometrically-shaped metallic targets (i.e. circular, square, and rectangular shapes) may be fired upon with any handgun or rifle caliber except .50 BMG.
16. Do not shoot the animal shaped targets with a center-fire rifle.
17. Paper targets shall be stapled to plywood backing only.
18. No glass, concrete, or exploding targets on any range. Paper targets only at the small range. Plastic bottles and cans may be fired upon at the large and plinking ranges provided that they are placed properly to ensure that bullets impact a berm. Steel targets may not be used on the plinking range. All debris must be removed by the shooter.
19. No tracer or incendiary ammunition may be fired on any range.

C. BEHAVIOR AND RESPONSIBILITY

1. Alcohol and illegal drugs are prohibited on TCGC property.
2. Do not handle firearms and ammunition while taking medication which can alter behavior or perception.
3. Wear your TCGC ID Button Badge at all times & challenge those who do not! Have ID on you at all times.
4. The gate will enter "time out" mode after three unsuccessful attempts at entering the combination. It will resume normal operation after approximately 20 minutes of "time out". Close the gate after entering or leaving the range.
5. Do not walk on top of the berms.
6. Use trashcans for trash and the butt cans for butts. Pull targets after shooting, and clean up.
7. Leave the TCGC range cleaner than before arrival.
8. Members are authorized to bring guests. Please monitor their behavior, especially children. Conduct of guests is the member's responsibility.
9. Hunting on TCGC property is PROHIBITED at all times.
10. Follow all TCGC Rules. If unsure ask, the Member at Large, a TCGC Officer, or another club member.
11. Match Directors have final authority concerning how a match will be run.

D. ACCIDENTS AND INJURIES

1. A first aid kit is on the Stat House outer wall under the awning. Use it as necessary for injuries occurring on TCGC property.
2. An Emergency 911 phone is located near the stat house:
 - a. Tell the emergency operator:
 - i. **Your name.**
 - ii. **Location (Tri-City Gun Club, 450 Jerry Black Lane, Adkins Hill, Goldsby, OK)**
 - iii. **Type of emergency** -- Describe the type of help required (police, fire, ambulance, game warden, HAZMAT etc.)
 - iv. **DO NOT HANG UP!** - Tell the operator if you need to leave the phone. Use common sense.
 - v. If alone, give the operator the gate combination to facilitate emergency responder access.
 - vi. Try to send someone to front gate to meet First Responders & open the gate. Stay there until help arrives.
3. ALL range accidents that warrant a 911 call or ambulance response MUST be immediately reported to the Range Safety Officer and/or an Executive Staff Member (See the HangFire Header for phone numbers).
4. Bring your own portable/cell phone if you need communication for any reason other than emergency services.

VIOLATION OF THE RANGE SAFETY RULES CAN RESULT IN MEMBERSHIP REVOCATION

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND WILL COMPLY WITH THE INFORMATION PRESENTED ABOVE .

Club Member Name (Printed)	Signature	RSO Signature		Date
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