

THESSALON AND AREA ROD AND GUN CLUB

RANGE #3 TRAP SAFETY RULES

SHOTGUN SHELLS FOR TRAP SHOOTING No more than 2 shells shall be loaded at a time on the firing line. Load only when it is your turn to shoot No shells larger than 12 GA., 2 ¾" long, 1 1/8 oz lead shot and no shot size larger than 7 1/2 shall be used. Shot velocity shall be no more than 1300 ft/sec or 396 m/sec taken within 5 feet or 1.5 meters of the shotgun muzzle.

A RANGE OFFICER shall be appointed when more than one member is on the range.

EAR & EYE PROTECTION shall be worn by shooters and spectators that are within close proximity to the firing lines.

THE RANGE CLOSED/ OPEN SIGN located on the side of driveway shall be in the **Range Open position** when shooting is going to take place

RANGE STATUS SIGN in the clubhouse shall be used to indicate that range #3 trap is open / closed. Ranges #1, #2, #4 (FIFA) and # 5 3D archery ranges shall be closed when trap range #3 is open.

RANGE FLAGS USED WHEN SHOOTING A green flag shall be displayed on the trap range any time the range is inactive. A red flag shall be displayed to indicate the trap range is active and in use. The trap house shall be equipped with a yellow flag on a short pole. This yellow flag is to be raised by the trap operator to indicate a ceasefire is required. The Range Officer shall call a ceasefire and shall inform the trap operator when it is safe to leave the trap house.

CARELESS HANDLING OF FIREARMS OR HORSEPLAY shall not be permitted. Refer also to **Bylaw # 14**

CEASE FIRE. Upon hearing the command **STOP** or **Ceasefire**, all-shooting shall immediately stop, firearms unloaded, placed on the bench with the muzzle pointing down range and the action open. The range officer shall inspect the firearms and direct how the firearms are to be situated during a ceasefire (left at firing line or racked).

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RANGE COMMANDS. All range commands that are given by the Range Officer shall be obeyed.

ALCOHOL OR DRUGS use shall not be permitted on the club property at anytime.

SAFETY TABLES: the safety tables are located in the Club House, and at other locations on ranges as needed. **No live ammunition is allowed at the safety tables** Signs will be posted where the tables are located.

FIREARM REQUIRING MAINTENANCE shall be removed from firing line to a designated safe maintenance area on the direction of the range officer. For example a maintenance area may set up for cleaning black powder firearms at a shoot. Keep the firearm muzzle pointed in the safest available direction at all times and the firearm under control.

AMMUNITION MALFUNCTION. Keep the muzzle pointed down range and wait 60 seconds before removing the shell from the chamber. Do **ACTS/PROVE**

DANGEROUS AREA. Do not walk onto the shooting range(s), climb berms or backstops when shooting range # 3 is active. Do not walk in front of trap house or firing line barrier when the clay thrower is in operation and/or the range is active.

EMPTY SHELLS shall be picked up when a shooter has finished shooting. Containers are located in the building for disposal of the shells.

TARGETS. Use only approved clay bird targets.

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