

HOOSIER HILLS RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB ORIENTATION AND SAFETY RULES.

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I have read and understand these rules and agree to all conditions pertaining to the use of HHRP Ranges.

Signature: _____ Date _____

Printed Name: _____ NRA No. _____

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SAFETY – THREE FUNDAMENTALS OF SAFE FIREARMS HANDLING ARE:

1. ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION.
2. ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FINGER AWAY FROM THE TRIGGER UNTIL YOU ARE READY TO SHOOT.
3. ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN UNLOADED UNTIL READY TO USE.

ALWAYS FOLLOW THE ABOVE FUNDAMENTALS. In addition, make sure your firearm is functionally safe and that you are using compatible ammunition.

If you see another shooter violating **the three fundamentals or safety** rules, bring it to the attention of the individual **and** to the attention of the Range officer or another club officer. Do not become upset if someone offers a safety suggestion to you.

IT SHALL BE UNDERSTOOD BY ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS OF THE HOOSIER HILLS RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB, INC, THAT THE CLUB, ITS OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND MEMBERS SHALL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR, AND WILL ASSUME NO LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE, INJURY, OR DEATH RESULTING FROM THE HANDLING OF FIREARMS AND/OR AMMUNITION BY ANY PERSON, AT ANY TIME. THEREFORE IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT; THE THREE FUNDAMENTALS OF SAFE FIREARMS HANDLING SHALL BE PRACTICED BY ALL MEMBERS AND GUESTS.

Each individual is responsible for his or her own conduct and actions. However, the disregard for safety, destruction and misuse of the ranges will be grounds for removal of all membership rights.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MEMBERS AND SAFETY RULES

- Your Membership card is your personal pass into the ranges. The release of lock combinations and/or electronic keys to non-members is prohibited.
- Always wear eye and ear protection when using firearms.
- **No person may go forward of a firing line unless the range has been declared “cold”. “Cold” Range definition: All uncased firearms shall have magazines removed or cylinders out, actions open and chambers visually clear and. all other persons shall remain behind the “Yellow Safety Line”. Handling of guns for any reason is strictly prohibited when the firing line is declared “cold”.**
- Cased firearms, as well as holstered firearms, must be in safe condition.
- Bolts on rifles shall be open, and magazine withdrawn prior to removal from case.
- Handguns shall have the cylinder open, or slide back and magazine removed when out of the case.
- **The firing line is available for showing, discussing, and adjusting firearms, before or after matches.**
- Carrying a loaded firearm on your person during any club activity (off the firing line) is discouraged, but if you choose to carry, the firearm must be concealed and holstered at all times.
- During a match, people not shooting will remove themselves from the firing line.
- Leave the firing area if you want to talk (to lounge area or far enough back so as to not disturb competitors).
- It is strongly suggested there are two licensed drivers at the range prior to firing, and it suggested that someone be aware of your projected return time from the range.
- Please make it a practice to attend the club meeting held on the Third (3rd) Thursday of each month. Business pertaining to the club is presented, discussed, and acted upon at these meetings. As a member of the club your input and support is very much needed.

IN-DOOR RANGE

- **Range hours are: 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM**
- Due to the location it is mandatory the club members be considerate of both the homeowners and those utilizing the People Trail.
- Do not handle uncased Firearms outside the building.
- Carry Firearms from your vehicle to the building in a case or protected from view.
- Firearms shall not be handled in the meeting room. This is a serious safety violation and will not be allowed. The firing line is available for handling and inspecting firearms.
- Always make sure all of the doors are closed prior to any shooting.
- Lead Bullets, non jacketed, must be used in the lower, Lead Only traps, .22 calibers only.
- Jacketed magnum loads and high performance necked case rounds of any caliber are not allowed. No rifles other than .22 caliber rim fire.
- Use paper targets only.
- Keep impact of the bullets in the traps.
- Never shoot at targets unless they are fully extended to the trap area.
- Do not shoot at the upper targets from the prone position.
- Fully automatic firing is strictly prohibited on club property.
- The exhaust fan provides proper ventilation. It should be turned on during shooting.
- Leave the range clean and in better condition than you arrived.
- Always turn off all lights, heat, fans and close and lock the door when you leave.

OUT-DOOR RANGE

- **Range hours are: 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM**
- **Before any shots are fired**, make sure there are no hikers, berry pickers, deer, or other animals down range. They will probably not be aware that they are in, or near, the range impact area. Let them know you are there and keep the range safe until they leave. If it seems you are alone fire your first shot so that you can physically see the shots hit the backstops. This practice will give such persons a chance to clear the range.
- Do not shoot glass, bottles, cans, bricks, concrete blocks, or anything else that can cause personal injury to a person or damage to lawn mowers. If you bring something to use as a target, take it home with you.
- The metal frame target holders should be used to hold only cardboard backed paper targets. The metal holders are very time consuming to repair and replacement is an unnecessary experience.
- Do not shoot at the target frames or 200-yard vertical poles or any other range improvements meant to hold targets.
- 200-yard targets must be as close to the ground as possible to prevent bullets from leaving the range. Never fire above the height of the 200-yard targets.
- Metal or steel target minimum safe range is 15 yards for pistol calibers and 100 yards for center-fire rifles.
- The farther the target is from you the safer you are from the potential of bullets bouncing back at you. The flat surface of the metal target should be slanted downward and at a right angle to the path of your shot, not angled.
- Fully automatic firing is strictly prohibited on club property.
- Leave the range a clean and in better condition than when you arrived.
- Close and lock storage shed door and gate when you leave.

NON-MEMBER RANGE USE: A Regular club member must accompany a non-member or guest.

If you see a shooter(s) that is not a member and does not have a member present:

- Help them have a safe shooting experience.
- Help them join the club if they enjoy the facilities.
- Explain that the Range is a Private Club Facility.
- If they are using the range dangerously, or in a destructive manner and ignore instructions you should ask them to leave the premises. If they do not do so:
 - Leave the range and request help from the Brown County Sheriff's office or Indiana State Police at the Outdoor Range and Columbus Police Department at the Indoor Range
 - Never try to force a person to leave the premises.