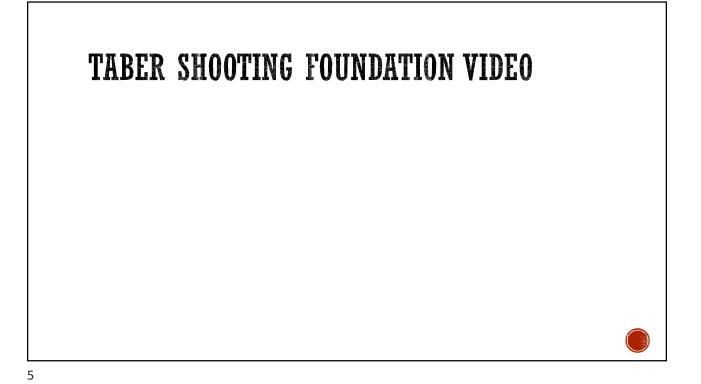


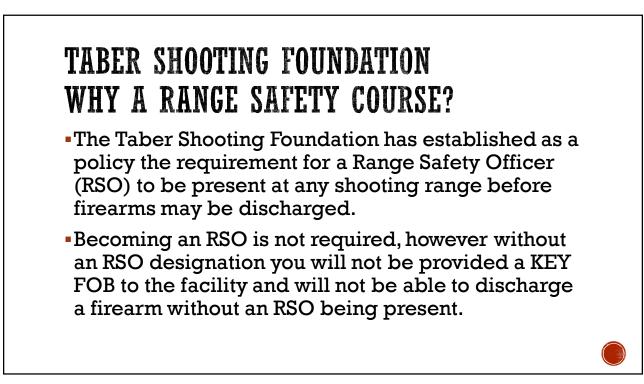
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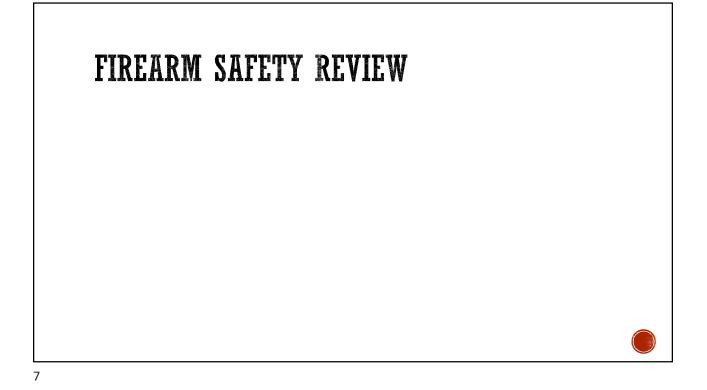
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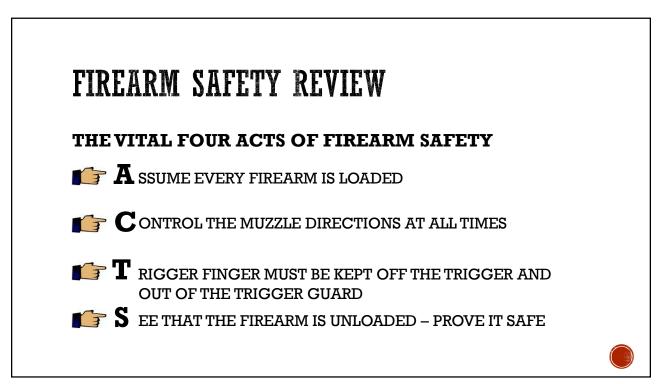
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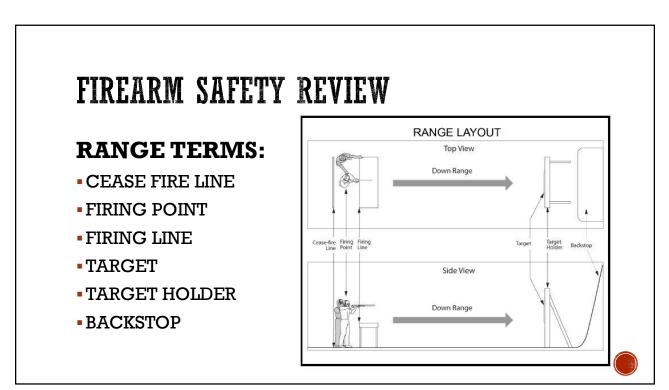
















# FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

## **UNACCEPTABLE TARGETS:**

- Any target which, when fired upon, might endanger the safety of others. Special attention is required when shooting near inhabited areas, across or along roads, over hills and at water or hard surfaces
- Any target which, when fired upon, may disturb others. Eg. Discharging firearms early in the morning or near dwellings
- Any target made of glass or other material which causes fragment hazards

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# FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

## **HAZARDS & PRECAUTIONS**

### **ACCIDENTAL DISCHARGE**

- Control muzzle direction at all times
- Unload firearm when not in immediate use
- Open action when handling
- Keep finger off trigger and out of the trigger guard except when firing
- Safety ON
- No horseplay
- A malfunctioning firearm may result in unintentional discharge
- Ensure your firearm is well maintained and regularly serviced

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# FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

## **HAZARDS & PRECAUTIONS**

## WRONG AMMUNITION

- Carry only correct ammunition
- Check ammunition against firearm data stamp
- Use proper ammunition for target and conditions
- If re-loading, follow correct procedures
- Improperly loaded ammunition can cause a firearm incident
- Ensure you know how to load correctly

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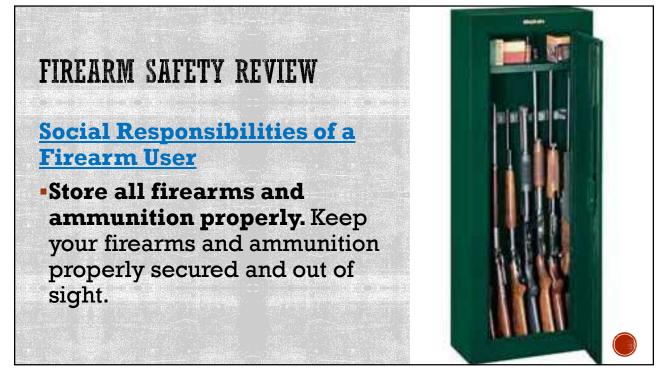
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# FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

## **HAZARDS & PRECAUTIONS**

## WRONG TARGET

- Identify target before firing and be sure, before you shoot
- Know what is behind the target
- Make sure the backstop is adequate



## FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

## **Social Responsibilities of a Firearm User**

## • Explain firearms safety to all family members.

Everyone in a home where firearms are kept should know the safety rules. Firearms are no different than dangerous tools or poisons in the home. Proper use and handling of firearms and ammunition must be taught to the entire family. The key or combination number to secure locking devices should be kept away from and out of the reach of children and unauthorized adults.

# FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

## <u>Social Responsibilities of a Firearm User</u>

•Remove firearms from situations of potential violence. You may become aware of a situation where violence or tragedy could occur. In such cases, it is wise to go beyond the safe storage of firearms. Completely remove firearms that may be present. If this is not possible, at least notify the police of the situation.

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## FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

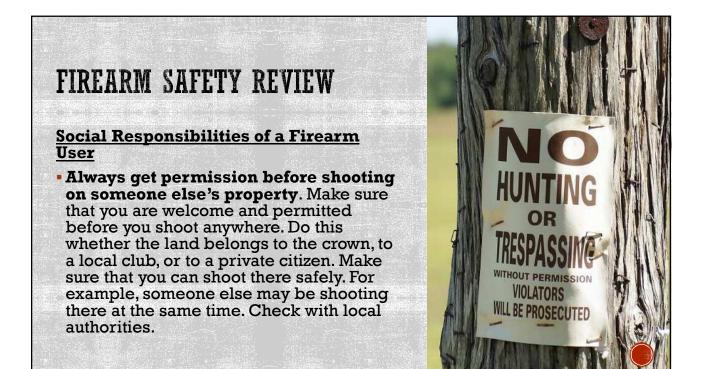
**Social Responsibilities of a Firearm User** 

•Act sensibly and carefully while around firearms. Always pay close attention to what you and others around you are doing. Make sure that everyone is acting safely and responsibly.

## FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

## Social Responsibilities of a Firearm User

• Never consume drugs or alcoholic beverages when around firearms. Do not go shooting with anyone who has. Alcohol and drugs can affect your mental or physical reactions. Both prescription and non-prescription drugs can affect your alertness, senses and balance. Some types of allergy medicines are a good example. Always stay fully alert when around firearms.





## FIREARM SAFETY REVIEW

**Social Responsibilities of a Firearm User** 

•Maintain your firearm in good working order. If required, have a qualified gunsmith service your firearm.

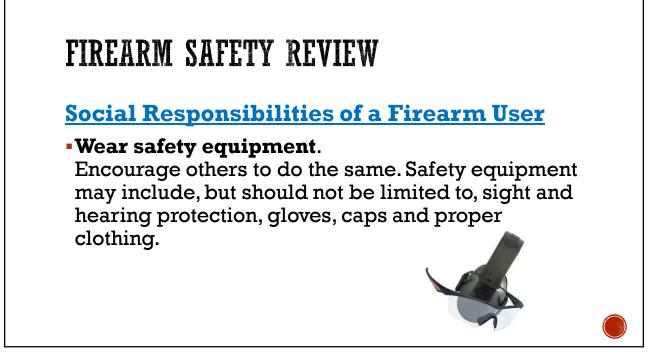
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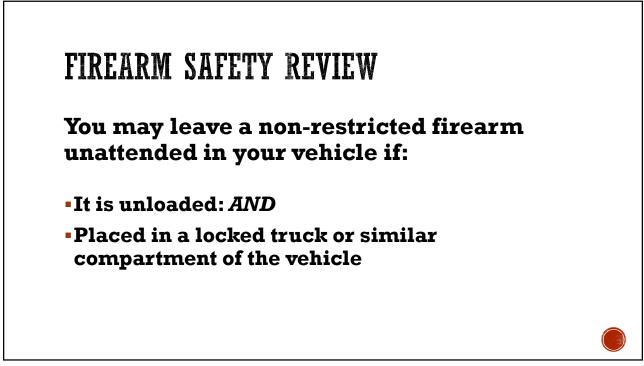
## Avoid firing near buildings or roads.

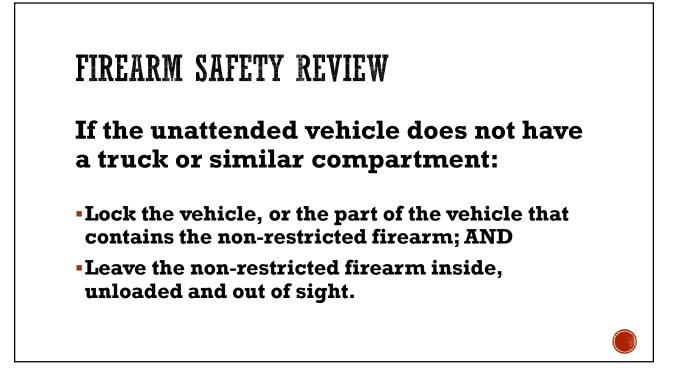
Respect the rights of others to safe travel and undisturbed use of their property. Only shoot near buildings with authorized permission, and only if it is legal and safe.



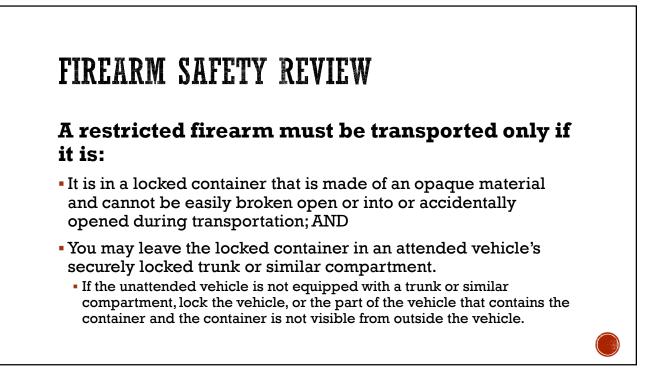


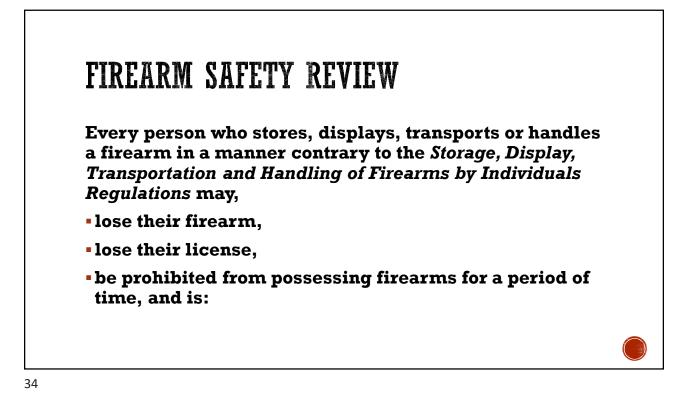


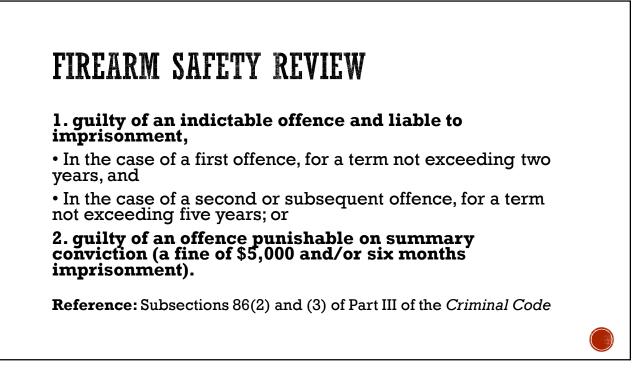


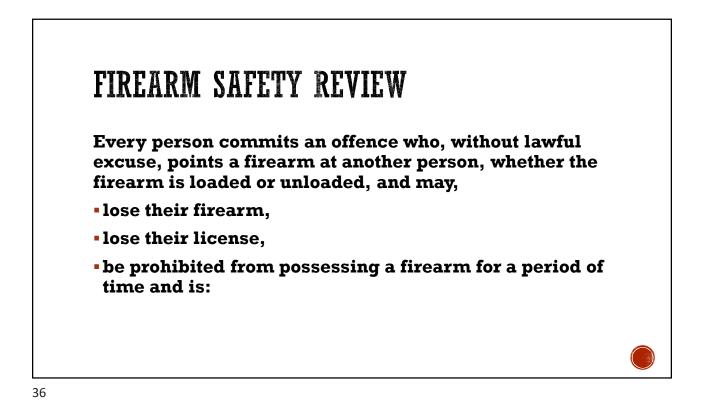








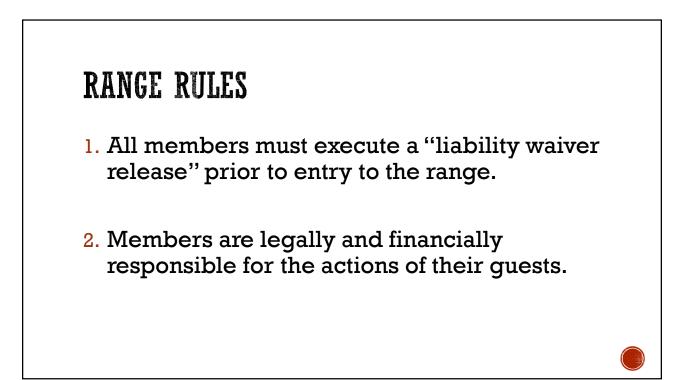


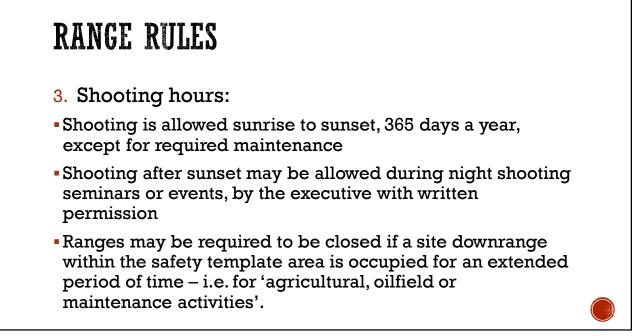


# **TREARM SAFETY REVIEW** 1. guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding five years; or 2. guilty of an offence punishable on summary conviction (a fine of \$5,000 and/or six months imprisonment). Reference: Subsections 87(1) and (2) of Part III of the Criminal Code

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# **RANGE RULES**





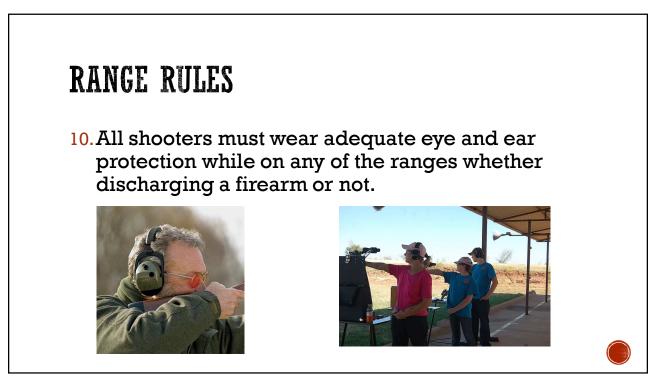
- 4. All Federal and Provincial Regulations are to be observed at all times at the Range.
  - Failure to comply may result in eviction from and being banned from the Range, without refund of fees or dues.
- 5. No Hunting of Wildlife Allowed.
  - Anyone shooting at objects other than targets authorized by the club will be escorted off the Range.

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## **RANGE RULES**

- 6. All members in a vehicle must enter using their Key FOB upon arrival at the gate.
- 7. Members may host up to 2 guest shooters per day. There is no fee for first and second time guest shooters.
  - All subsequent visits will have a nominal fee of \$15 per person per visit.
  - All non-shooting guests are the responsibility of the host member.

- 8. All shooters must produce their membership card upon request from any other member and must have it on their person.
- Guests at matches and commercial guest customers have unescorted shooting privileges only on the ranges booked for the match or the commercial event. They are not allowed to shoot on other ranges without the supervision of a member.



11. All firearms must be UNLOADED and, in addition, CARRIED IN AN UPRIGHT POSITION (unless encased or on a gun cart) until you arrive at the designated shooting area. Here firearms may be placed either on an upright stand, left on the gun cart, or laid on a shooting bench, unloaded, action open and visible and pointed downrange.

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## **RANGE RULES**

11. (i) Holsters for handguns are permitted to be used on the range except for shoulder holsters, which are not permitted on the range.

(ii) Handguns must be unloaded until the shooter is at the firing line.

- 12. No person is permitted to handle a firearm when any person is downrange of the firing line.
  - •Firearms need to be unloaded, bolt open, breech open and pointed downrange.

## **RANGE RULES**

13. Minor shooters (under 18 years of age) are welcome and encouraged. All minor shooters must be under the direct, immediate and constant supervision of an adult while shooting and must otherwise be supervised and behave in a responsible and safe manner.



14. The consumption or possession of alcohol or drugs is not permitted within club boundaries while any portion of the Range remains open to shooting. Anyone found in contravention of this rule, including shooters who have consumed alcohol immediately prior to arriving at the Range, or appear to be impaired from any source, may be permanently banned from the Range.

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## **RANGE RULES**

15. No smoking unless in designated areas.No smoking or open flame in effect during fire bans.



- Firearms not in immediate use are to be empty of all ammunition and magazines, and,
  - in the case of long guns, stored with their actions open and visible in the racks provided or stored in a suitable similar manner including in gun carts.
  - in the case of handguns, stored with their actions open and visible, in a case or stored in a holster with hammer down.
  - or stored in a locked vehicle, cased or out of sight.



- 18. When two or more shooters are on a particular range, one must assume the responsibility of range officer, to declare cease fires and the resumption of shooting, following a check of the range.
  - Shooters must get an "All Clear" signal from the range officer before going downrange to post, check or retrieve targets.

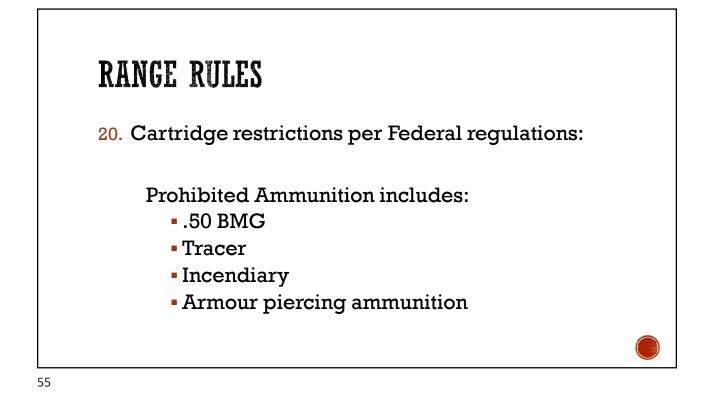
The member acting as range officer is responsible to ensure that everyone on the line is following the "cease fire" and other range commands and is maintaining a common firing line.

• Any individual may call 'Cease Fire' at any time.

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## **RANGE RULES**

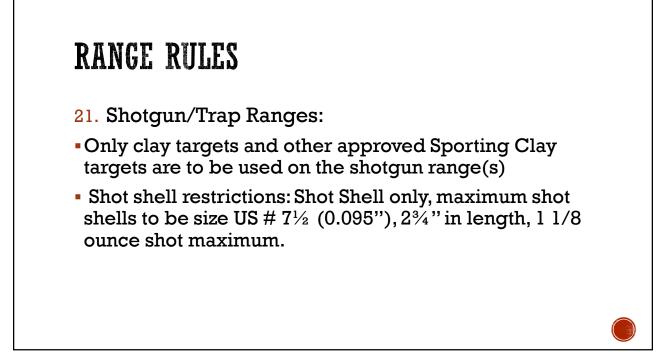
19. All shots are to be made at the target directly in front of the shooter's firing position. No shots are to be made at angles across the range, as this poses a ricochet and safety hazard unless the shooter is engaged in an approved competition which permits this activity. Shooters wanting to shoot at a different target stand/distance must move to a firing position which provides the required stand/distance immediately to the front of that position.

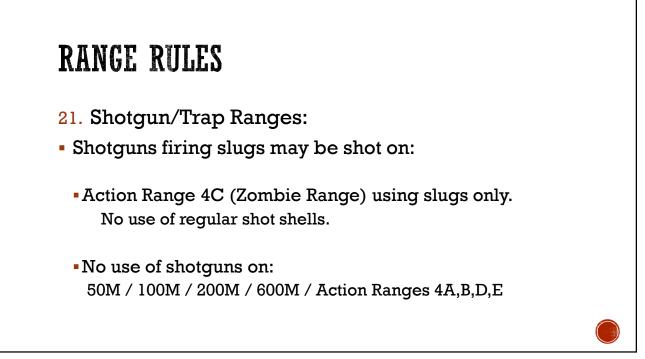


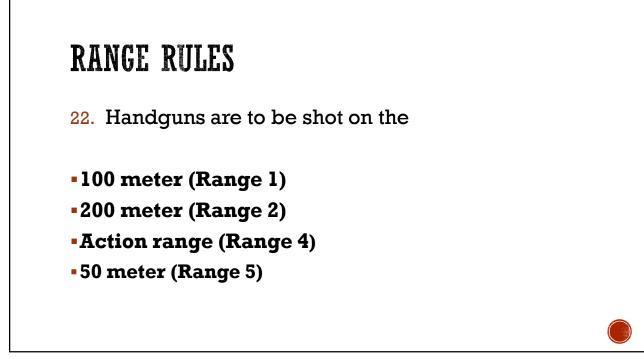


21. Shotgun/Trap Ranges:

- Only shotguns firing bird-shot are to be used on the shotgun/trap range(s). No slugs or rifles.
  - Shotguns may be patterned, using lead shot only, on the designated patterning board.







## **RANGE RULES**

- 23. Drawing and firing a loaded handgun from a holster must be done in a safe manner and with the greatest care at all times.
  - The handgun must be loaded and unloaded only at the firing line.
- 24. Handguns in holsters not in immediate use on a firing line must be unloaded of ammunition &/or magazines

25. When moving forwards and backwards to a firing point, pistols must be continuously pointed downrange.



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## **RANGE RULES**

26. Firearms shall not be discharged on the archery range.

## ARCHERY ONLY

 Broadheads are only allowed at designated Broadhead backstops

- 27. All trash and spent ammo must be picked up before leaving the range.
- 28. All targets shall be removed from backstops upon completion of shooting.
- 29. Human silhouette targets are allowed but must be removed from the range when you are finished shooting.

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## **RANGE RULES**

- 30. Dogs and other domestic animals are prohibited on all ranges at all times.
- 31. Glass, bottles or other unapproved materials may not be used as targets at anytime.
- 32. All range users shall pick up refuse and materials (targets, cartridge brass, shotgun hulls, etc) they use and leave the range clean at all times.

- 33. Targets shall be placed on target backboards, not on the support posts or frames
- 34. No vehicles are permitted on the ranges without permission from the Chair or Property Chair.

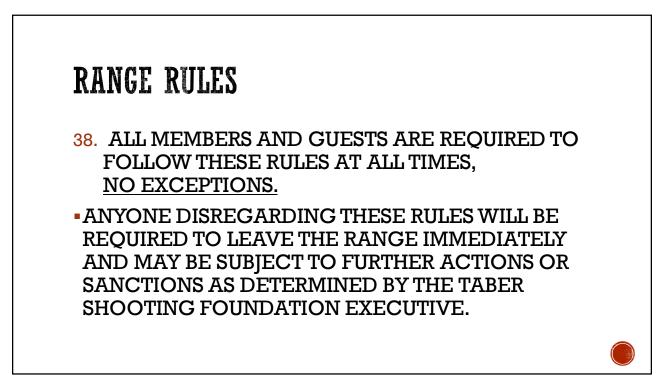
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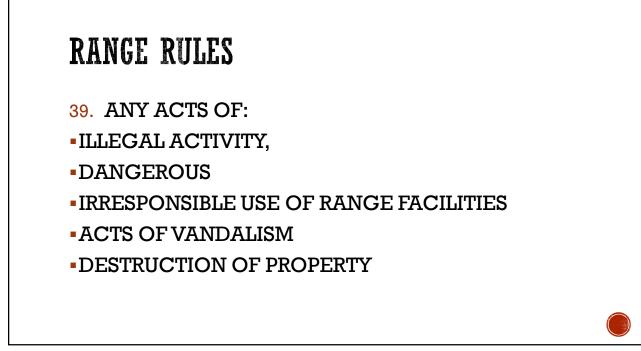
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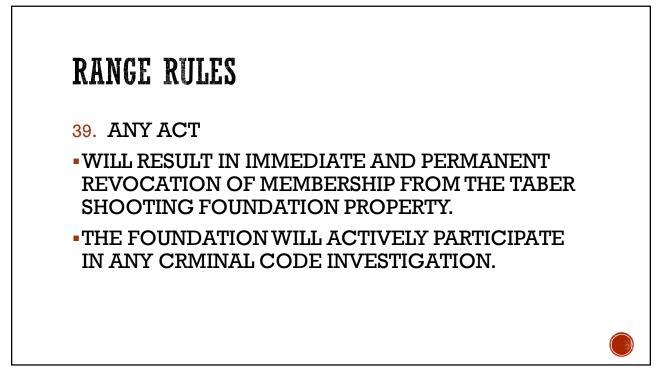
- 35. Special activities or events and range closures shall be authorized only by the executive.
- 36. When there is a special shooting event at a range. That range is closed for all other shooting activities until the event is over.

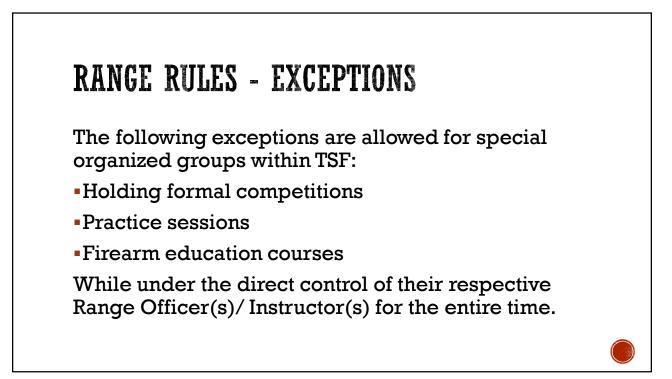
37. The main gate must be locked immediately upon entering and exiting except when there are special shooting events.

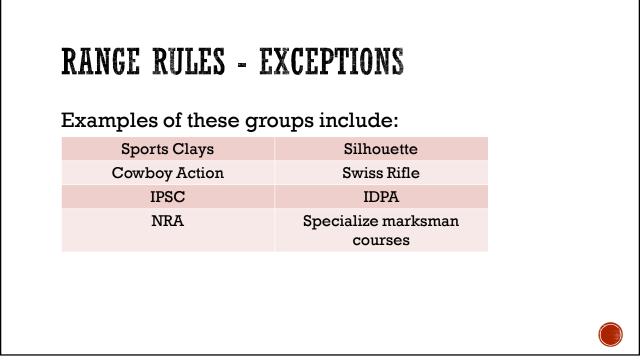


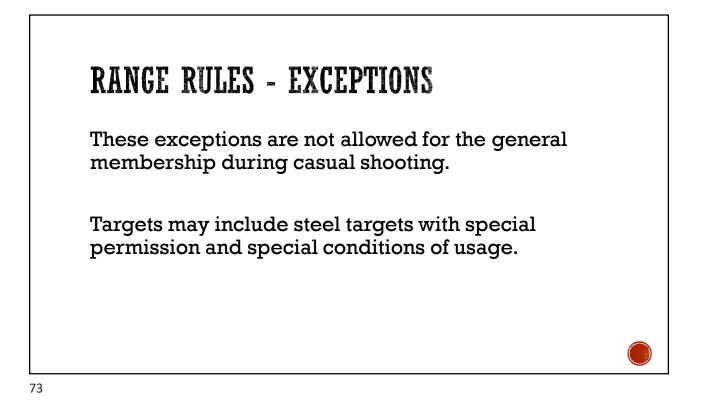








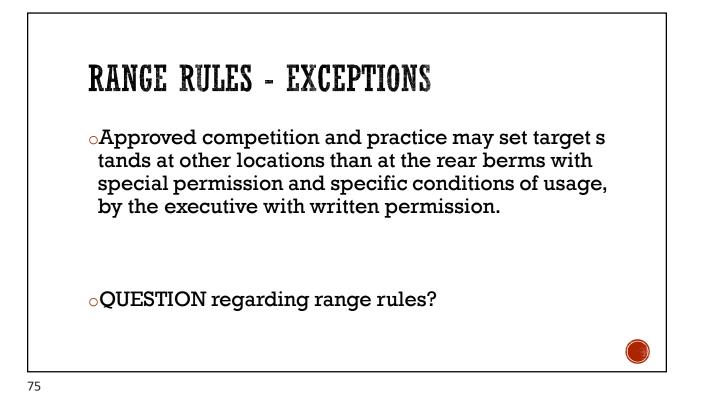




**RANGE RULES - EXCEPTIONS** 

 Rifles utilizing pistol cartridges may be shot on the handgun range(s). Example 44/40, 38/40, 45 Colt

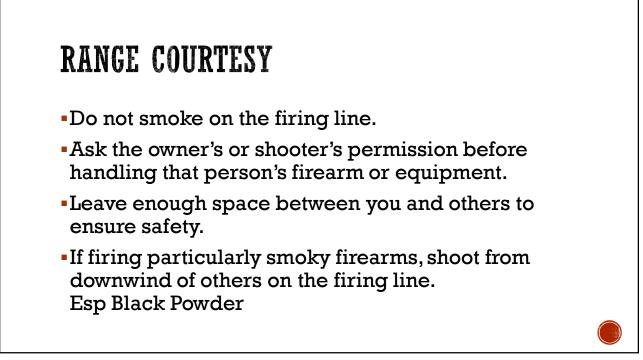
•Use of a shotgun on any range may be approved by the executive in special cases. More than one shotgun shell may be loaded into a shotgun at a time. Approved competition and practice may utilize other sizes of lead shot, by the executive with written authorization.

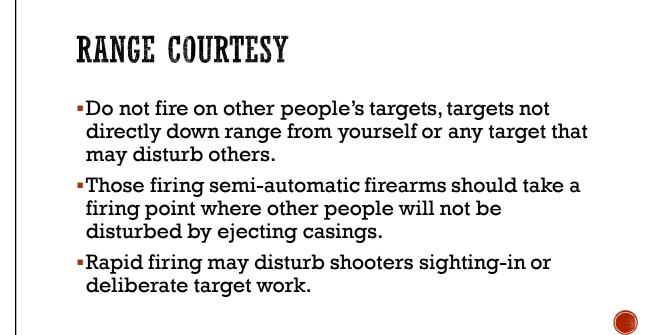


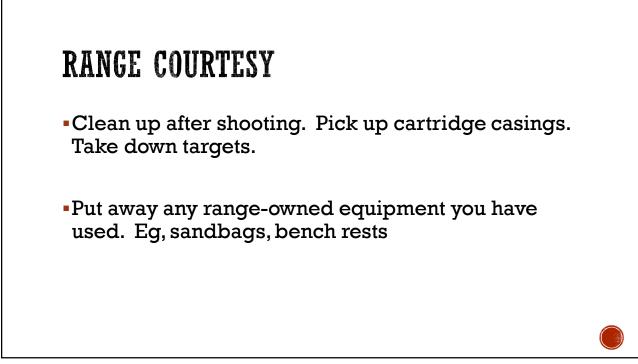
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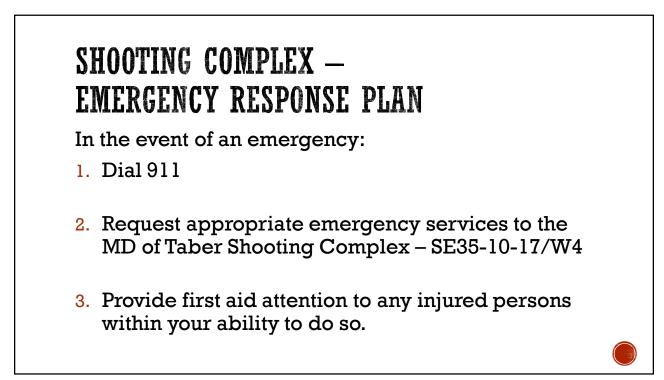
There are certain standards of range courtesy. Considerate shooters follow the following standards:

- Rules and procedures may vary occasionally. Check and obey the approved rules. There should be a safety briefing before starting.
- •Sign in to the firing range upon arrival.
- Avoid interrupting or distracting others when they are shooting.





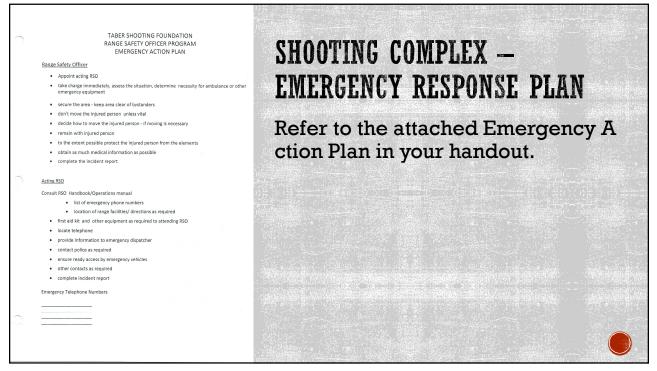


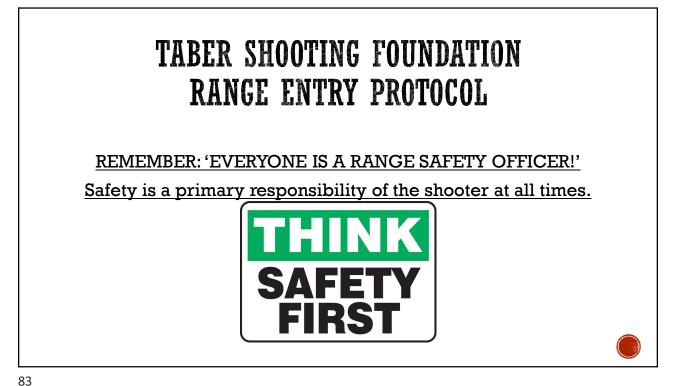


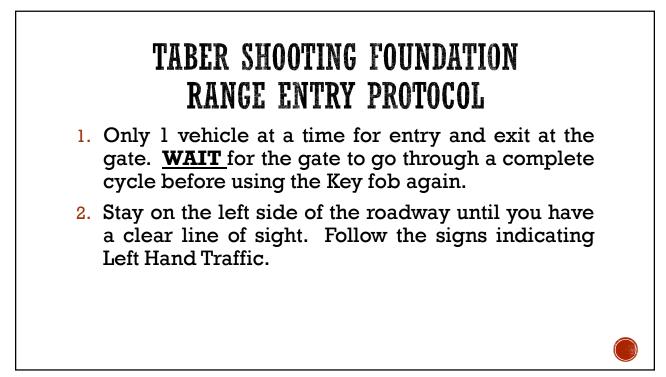
# SHOOTING COMPLEX — EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

In the event of an emergency:

- 4. Send a guide to open the main entrance gate when emergency services arrive and have them direct EMS to the scene.
- 5. Complete RSO incident reporting form and submit to an executive member immediately.







- 3. Upon entry to the range, proceed to the Sign In Shed located at the entrance to Parking Lot.
  - a. Everyone must sign in Shooters and observers
  - b. All guest shooters must pay a \$15/day fee on their 3<sup>rd</sup> and subsequent visits (insurance cost) use envelope provided in shed (sign and date it)
  - c. The 1<sup>st</sup> shooter on the range is designated the Range Safety Officer (RSO). This person must wear a RSO Vest found in the locker so as to indicate to any other shooters their role.

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- d. If the RSO leaves the range and other shooters are still present and active, then the vest must be passed on to another Member to act in the role of RSO.
- e. The last shooter (RSO) should return the vest to the locker in the Sign In Shed.
- f. <u>ALL</u> shooters must wear a lanyard with their membership card displayed and <u>ALL</u> guests must wear a lanyard with the guest pass displayed.

g. NO PERSON **WHO IS NOT** A MEMBER THAT HAS COMPLETED THE RANGE SAFETY COURSE AND THEREFORE **IS NOT** ENTITLED TO BE IN POSSESSION OF A GATE FOB, IS PERMITTED TO BE ON THE RANGE UNLESS UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE QUALIFIED MEMBER (RSO)

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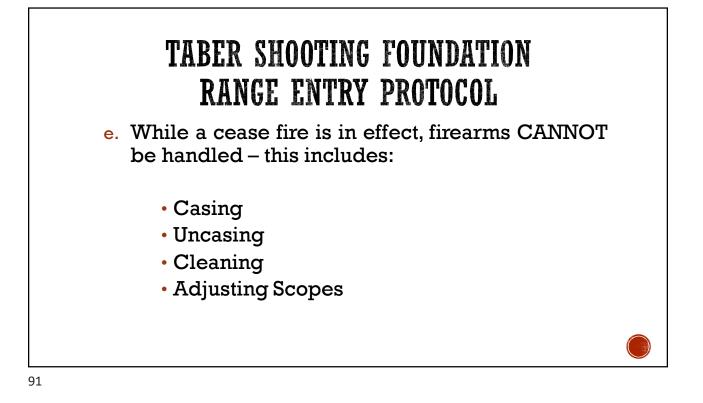
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3. Once you have completed the requirements at the Sign In Shed, then you are ready to park and proceed to the range of your choice.

The following are requirements at each range:

- a. All firearms must be UNLOADED and CARRIED IN AN UPRIGHT POSITION (unless encased or on a gun cart) until you arrive at the designated shooting area. Here firearms may be placed either upright on a upright stand, left on the gun cart or laid on a shooting bench, unloaded, action open & visible and pointing downrange.
- b. All shooters and observers must wear hearing and eye protection at all times.







h. REMEMBER: 'EVERYONE IS RANGE OFFICER' and are authorized to give a 'CEASE FIRE' order if they deem it necessary. This is a legal command and upon hearing this command ALL shooters must immediately cease firing, PROVE their firearm safe and step back behind the Cease Fire Line until the RSO is satisfied the Range is once again Safe and a 'RANGE IS ACTIVE – RESUME SHOOTING' order is given.

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5. In the event you witness any safety violations or injuries by any participant on the Range, you must fill in an INCIDENT REPORT which can be found in the Sign-In Shed. Be sure to list all details. First Aid supplies are available in the Shed and the address of the Range is posted outside the Shed for the RCMP or Ambulance Personnel. Leave all reports in the Shed and your contact information. Contact Police / Ambulance as required.

- 6. Be sure to leave the Range clean of all spent cartridges and targets and report any damaged property.
- 7. Courtesy and respectful behavior is required of all who attend the range.

**QUESTIONS?**