

Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club

Range Rules

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-/s/- Burleigh Cubert

Signed, Secretary, TRRC

Chapter 1 – TRRC General Rules

1. Introduction

The Tacoma Rifle and Revolver Club (TRRC) has been serving shooters since at least 1900. These rules are approved by the Board of Directors, and may be changed as required to ensure safe operation of the range.

2. Facilities for Use

TRRC provides 5 ranges for various types of shooting:

- A. Main Range
- B. Pistol Range
- C. Smallbore Range
- D. Airgun Range
- E. Archery Range

3. Hours of Operation

Firearm shooting is permitted between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. or sunset, whichever is earlier, on weekdays; and 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. or sunset, whichever is earlier, on weekends and holidays. Ranges are closed on Christmas. Authorized competitions, or those activities approved by the Board of Directors, may extend beyond posted hours.

4. Authorized Shooters

Authorized shooters at TRRC ranges include the following:

- A. Current members of Tacoma Rifle & Revolver Club.
- B. Immediate family members of TRRC members, when accompanied by the member.
- C. Invited guests of the TRRC members, limited to two non-family members, provided they are accompanied by the member. Guests are limited to two visits to the club per year, regardless of who hosts them. Thereafter, they are expected to join the club for any further access.
- D. Non-members attending scheduled matches, training courses, and other published events.
- E. Other personnel as approved by the Board of Directors.
- F. Members are responsible for and will supervise their immediate family members, their guests, and their pets.

5. Identification

- A. Members and guests must legibly sign in and out on the log for each range they use.
- B. Members must wear their membership badges in a clearly visible manner when on club grounds.
- C. Members are forbidden to lend their keys or membership cards to non-members.
- D. Members are required to produce keys, card, or other identification at the request of any club member.

6. Alcohol and Drugs

- A. No member or guest who is under the influence of alcohol or drugs is permitted on the firing line.
- B. No alcoholic beverages will be present or consumed at or adjacent to any active firing line.

7. General Safety Requirements

- A. No loaded firearms are allowed to pass through the club gate, with the exception of concealed, holstered handguns carried by holders of a valid Concealed Pistol License (CPL).
- B. All firearms on the club grounds shall be unloaded except on the designated firing lines (except for concealed, holstered handguns carried by CPL holders.)
- C. PISTOL QUALIFICATION is required to shoot a pistol on either the Main range or the Pistol range.
- D. Drawing from the holster and firing is not allowed.
- E. All firearms must be cleared prior to entering or leaving any range (except for holstered handguns carried by CPL holders.)
- F. Do not handle any uncased guns while shooters are downrange.
- G. Firing is permitted only from the designated firing points.
- H. Targets must be placed only at the designated distances at each range, on the designated frames.
- I. Only paper targets can be used. No cans, bottles, rocks, metal, detonating targets, etc. are allowed.
- J. The rate of fire by an individual shooter is not to exceed one shot per second.
- K. Aerial shooting is prohibited.
- L. Tracer and incendiary ammunition are prohibited.
- M. Use of eye and ear protection is highly recommended.
- N. Members are required to be safety conscious at all times and correct any unsafe practices of which they become aware. Notify the caretaker or a club officer of any persistent violation or other problem. All members are considered safety officers when on club property.
- O. Observe a 10 mph speed limit.
- P. Stay on established trails when posting targets. Do not climb on banks or berms.
- Q. During scheduled competitions, match directors may modify these rules as required to conduct the competition, while adhering to the safety rules of that specific competition rulebook.

8. Range etiquette.

- A. Pick up all brass and clean up your firing point and retrieve targets when finished shooting.
- B. Semi-automatic rifle shooters should deflect their brass away from adjacent shooters. Flintlock shooters should deflect the vent gases away from adjacent shooters, or move to another position.

Chapter 2 – Main Range Rules

1. Range Limitations and Safety Requirements

- A. Keep all firearms unloaded and actions open at all times except when actually firing.
- B. Open, unload, bench, and do not handle any firearm when anyone is forward of the firing line.
- C. Firing is permitted only from the designated covered firing points, at the 200 yard line, except as provided for under long range shooting below.
- D. Point all firearms downrange when loading.
- E. PISTOL QUALIFICATION is required to shoot a pistol on the Main range.
- F. All Non Shooters must stay behind the YELLOW Line when shooting is in progress, except for a coach.
- G. Use of eye and ear protection is highly recommended.
- H. When finished, clean up your firing area, pick up your cartridge cases, and retrieve your targets.
- I. Always activate the Downrange Warning Light/Alarm before going downrange. All guns are to be benched, unloaded, magazines out, and actions open OR cased OR placed in the racks provided behind the firing line AND all shooters clear of the benches prior to activating. The shooter who activates the alarm is the safety officer and responsible to ensure all shooters are behind the firing line before it is turned off and shooting resumes.
- J. No handling of uncased guns is permitted while shooters are downrange, including rifles placed in the racks.

2. Authorized and Prohibited Firearms

- A. Centerfire rifles (other than 50 BMG cartridge), rimfire rifles, and pistols may be used.
- B. Shotguns firing slugs may be used.
- C. Black powder rifles and pistols may be used.
- D. Air rifles and pistols may be used.
- E. Fully-automatic firearms are *prohibited*.

3. Authorized and Prohibited Ammunition

- A. Centerfire or rimfire cartridges or muzzleloader propellants may be used.
- B. Shotgun slugs may be used.
- D. Up to 5 shot shells per shotgun may be used to pattern shotguns.
- E. Airgun pellets may be used.
- F. Tracer and incendiary ammunition is prohibited.
- G. 50 BMG ammunition is prohibited.

4. Authorized Targets and Target Placement

- A. Only paper targets are allowed.
- B. Aerial shooting is *prohibited*.

- C. Targets must be hung on the club-provided target frames (or dimensionally and materially equivalent frames supplied by the shooter.)
- D. Targets must be placed in a manner that will result in bullet impact in essentially the center of the frame.
- E. Target frames must be placed in the club provided frame holders at 25, 50, 100, or 200 yards, in a location essentially straight ahead downrange from the firing point being used.
- F. The overall placement of targets and target boards must be such that all rounds impact safely into the appropriate impact area.

5. Authorized Events: Long range shooting

- A. Long distance shooting at 300 and 600 yards may be conducted only as scheduled on the club calendar.
- B. A Range Safety Officer will be stationed at the firing line anytime shooting is conducted at 300 and 600 yards.
- C. The pistol, smallbore, airgun, and archery ranges will be closed when firing is conducted on the main range at any distance greater than 200 yards.

Chapter 3 – Pistol Range Rules

1. Range Limitations and Safety Requirements

- A. PISTOL QUALIFICATION is required to shoot a pistol on the Pistol range.
- B. Keep all firearms unloaded and actions open at all times except when actually firing.
- C. Always activate the Downrange Warning Light before going downrange. Ensure all guns are benched, unloaded, magazines out, and actions open and all shooters are behind the yellow line prior to activating. The shooter who activates the warning light is the safety officer, responsible to ensure all shooters are behind the yellow line before it is turned off and shooting resumes. Personnel are not to go between the yellow line and the bench or handle anything on the bench while shooters are downrange or the warning light is activated.
- D. Firing is permitted only from behind the bench, at the designated covered firing points.
- E. Point all firearms downrange when loading.
- F. All Non Shooters must stay behind the YELLOW Line except a Coach.
- G. Use of eye and ear protection is mandatory.
- H. When finished shooting, clean up your firing area, pick up your cartridge cases, and retrieve your targets.

2. Authorized and Prohibited Firearms

- A. Centerfire pistols smaller than .50 caliber, with a power factor less than or equal to .44 Remington Magnum, may be used. Larger calibers may be fired on the main range.
- B. Rimfire .22 pistols may be used.
- C. Rifles and shotguns are prohibited.
- D. Handguns firing cartridges designed primarily as rifle cartridges; i.e. Contender and Encore or similar handguns chambered in rifle cartridges are prohibited.
- E. Black powder pistols may be used.

3. Authorized and Prohibited Ammunition

- A. Centerfire handgun ammunition smaller than .50 caliber, with a power factor less than or equal to .44 Remington Magnum, may be used. The following calibers are prohibited on the pistol range: they are the Desert Eagle .50 AE (Action Express), .454 Casull, .460 S&W Magnum and the .500 S&W Magnum.
- B. Rimfire ammunition may be used.
- C. Centerfire cartridges designed primarily as rifle cartridges are prohibited.

4. Authorized Targets and Target Placement

- A. Only paper targets are allowed.
- B. Aerial shooting is prohibited.
- C. Targets must be hung on the club-provided target board (or dimensionally and materially equivalent board supplied by the shooter.)
- D. Targets must be placed in the upper half of the target board.

- E. Target boards must be placed in the club provided frame holders at 7, 15, 25, or 50 yards, in a location essentially straight ahead downrange from the firing point being used.
- F. The overall placement of targets and target boards must be such that all rounds hit the impact area beyond the 50 yard targets.
- G. SPECIAL RULES FOR USE OF 7-YD TARGETS
 - 1) Use special club-provided 7-YD holders only.
 - 2) Maximum size target is 14" by 14".
 - 3) No silhouette or multiple aiming point targets.
 - 4) Place target so bullets impact the 50 yard berm.
 - 5) No bench rest shooting at 7-YD targets.
 - 6) Shoot standing only when using 7-YD targets.
- H. SPECIAL RULES FOR USE OF 15 YD TARGETS
 - 1) Maximum size target is 2' x 2', placed on upper half of the 2' by 4' target board.
 - 2) No silhouette or multiple aiming point targets.
 - 3) Ensure target is set so bullets hit the 50 yard impact area.

5. Authorized Events: Pistol Training Courses

- A. All Pistol Training Courses must be scheduled on the club calendar.
- B. A Range Safety Officer (RSO) or certified instructor must be stationed at the firing line for all training events.

Chapter 4 – Smallbore Range Rules

1. Range Limitations and Safety Requirements

- A. Keep all firearms unloaded and actions open at all times except when actually firing.
- B. Open, unload, ground or bench, and do not handle any firearm when anyone is forward of the firing line.
- C. Firing is permitted only from the designated covered firing points.
- D. Point all firearms downrange when loading.
- E. All Non Shooters must stay behind the YELLOW Line except for a coach.
- F. Use of eye and ear protection is highly recommended.
- G. When finished, clean up your firing area, pick up your cartridge cases, and retrieve your targets.

2. Authorized and Prohibited Firearms

- A. Rifles shooting .22 long rifle, .22 long and .22 short rimfire cartridges may be used.
- B. Air rifles may be used.
- C. Pistols and shotguns are *prohibited*.

3. Authorized and Prohibited Ammunition

- A. .22 long rifle, .22 long and .22 short rimfire cartridges are allowed.
- B. Airgun pellets are allowed.
- C. .22 Magnum, .17 caliber rimfire, and centerfire cartridges are prohibited.

4. Authorized Targets and Target Placement

- A. Paper targets placed in club-provided target frames (or equivalent) at 50 yards, 50 meters, and 100 yards.

Chapter 5 – Airgun Range Rules

1. Range Limitations and Safety Requirements

- A. Keep all airguns unloaded and actions open at all times except when actually firing.
- B. Open, unload, *ground or* bench, and do not handle any airgun when anyone is forward of the firing line.
- C. Firing is permitted only from the designated firing points.
- D. Point all airguns downrange when loading.
- E. Stay behind firing line when shooting is in progress.
- F. Use of eye protection is recommended.
- G. When finished, clean up your firing area and retrieve your targets.

2. Authorized and Prohibited Firearms

- A. Only spring-piston, CO2, and pneumatic powered 22 caliber or smaller rifles and pistols may be used.
- B. Airguns producing 20 foot-pounds of energy or more are not allowed. An energy chart is posted at the range.
- C. Firearms are *prohibited*.

3. Authorized and Prohibited Ammunition

- A. Only lead airgun pellets and BB's may be used.

4. Authorized Targets and Target Placement

- A. Paper targets placed in club-provided target frames or equivalent.
- B. Approved field targets and swingers may be used.
- C. Targets must be placed within the confines of the airgun range.
- D. Field target lanes in the woods are for sanctioned matches only. Trash targets (i.e. cans, bottles, balloons) are prohibited.