



SPORTING SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

MOONTA BRANCH INCORPORATED

RANGE RULES

1. General

- 1.1. Speed limit on club grounds is 15kph.
- 1.2. Any member may challenge the safety of a firearm.
- 1.3. All fauna and flora on this range is protected.
- 1.4. The Range Officers have full authority for range activities.
- 1.5. Ear and Eye protection is highly recommended.
- 1.6. Smoking is not allowed within 5m of any enclosed or open firing line.
- 1.7. All participants must have fully covered footwear.
- 1.8. In the interest of range safety full camouflage clothing is not permitted on the firing line.
- 1.9. Neat and casual dress is required by all attending the range.

2. Range Usage

- 2.1. All persons attending the club must observe "Farmer Aware".
- 2.2. All ranges MUST be closed when any farmworker or persons are working in adjacent paddock on all direct club boundaries.
- 2.3. All 4 flag must be full mast prior the commencement of any shooting on outside ranges.
- 2.4. When firing semi-automatic pistols from benches (i.e. from with in the shed) single round loading only is permitted, unless authorization is given by the Range Officer.

3. Range Attendance

- 3.1. All persons attending the club grounds must sign in the register books on arriving at the club.
- 3.2. All firearm activities held on the club grounds must be supervised by an authorized person, including handling and shooting of firearms outside of scheduled club events.
- 3.3. All prograded events must be supervised by a certified Range Officer.
- 3.4. All firearms should be adequately secured while not being used or under direct control of owner, Range officer or delegate.
- 3.5. Empty Chamber Indicators (ECI) are mandatory

4. Handling and Carrying of Firearms

- 4.1. All firearms that that are brought to the club must be checked and rendered safe prior to entering the club grounds.
- 4.2. All firearms must be bagged or cased moving to or from vehicles to the firing line.
- 4.3. When handling or carrying a firearm it MUST BE SEEN TO BE SAFE. The muzzle must be pointed in a safe direction at all times. The action must be open, the breech empty, ECI inserted and magazine removed where possible.
- 4.4. No action may be closed until the firearm is pointed in a safe direction.

5. Full Metal Jacket Projectiles

5.1. The use of Full Metal Jacket, solid brass or solid copper is not permitted on the Moonta range.

6. Targets

6.1. Only approved targets are to be used on the Moonta range.

6.2. Animal silhouettes are for rimfire or centrefire lead cast bullets only at all times. (exception of 200m scoped silhouette scheduled club events)

6.3. All Target should be placed where applicable so projectiles impact directly into the mound.

7. Damage to Range Equipment and Targets

7.1. Any person found damaging range equipment or facilities, including the deliberate destruction of targets may be ask to pay for the repair or replacement of damaged equipment.

7.2. Any accidental damage caused to equipment and targets must be reported to the club committee as soon as practically possible.

7.3. Any target damaged during competition or sighting in should be reported to the discipline captain or committee as soon as practically possible.

8. Cease Fire

8.1. At all times a cease fire is called, all persons will render any firearm safe.

8.2. Each firearm is to be cleared by the Range Officer in charge and an ECI inserted.

8.3. No one is to go forward of the firing line at any time until the Range Officer in charge has given permission to do so.

8.4. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS ANY TO TOUCH OR HANDLE A FIREARM WHEN ANYONE IS FORWARD OF THE FIRING LINE OR WHILE THE RANGE IS CLOSED.

8.5. Firearms may only be handled when Range Officer has opened the range.

9. STOP STOP STOP

9.1. This command is an emergency command that any member at the club can call out in the event of an eminent dangerous situation where all persons are to cease fire and renders their firearms safe immediately.

9.2. The person calling the command if not the range officer in charge is to make the Range Officer aware of the reason at which time the Range Officer will take control of the range and proceed with further instructions.

10. Hang Fire

10.1. The action must remain closed for a period of at least 30 seconds for all misfires. After the 30 seconds the action maybe opened and round removed

11. Stuck Live Round

11.1. No Attempt is to be made to remove a stuck live round on any SSAA range. The firearm is to be made safe and removed from the firing line and the range. It should be taken to a competent person for removal of the round.

12. Dogs

- 12.1. Dogs must be on a lead and under control at all times or remain in a vehicle and must be kept quiet.
- 12.2. Dogs are not allowed in the Club House or in any shooting area while shooting is in progress.
- 12.3. The only exemptions are Seeing Eye Dogs or Hearing Dogs, but their presence still remains at the discretion of the Range Officer (based on Range safety).

13. Consumption of Alcohol

- 13.1. Absolutely no alcohol is permitted within the firing line area, or any areas where Firearms are on display or in use.
- 13.2. No consumption is permitted for any person who is intending to shoot later on the same day.
- 13.3. No person who is adversely affected by alcohol or a drug is to be permitted to handle firearms or to shoot.
- 13.4. The Range Officer has full authority to ask any person suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or drugs to leave the firing line or club ground while shooting activities are taking place.

14. Complaints

- 14.1. All complaints should be in writing and address to the
The Secretary, SSAA Moonta (Branch) Incorporated, PO Box 87, Moonta 5558

These rules are to be observed at all times and failure to do so may result in disciplinary action by the club.

The range rules have been approved by the club committee as of 16th September 2021.