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RANGE STANDING ORDERS FOR THE CLAY PIGEON RANGE AT REEPHAM MOOR RIFLE RANGE.

PERMITTED WEAPONS/AMMUNITION

- Shotguns of the following calibres 12,16,20,28 gauge and .410.
- Types of Shotgun can be Side by Side, Over & Under, Single Barrel, Semi-Auto or Pump Action or Bolt Action.
- Semi-Auto, Pump Action & Bolt Action should have magazine capacity limited to 2 rounds. Overall capacity 3 rounds (2+1). Guns to be loaded with two rounds only.
- Birdshot only to be used, maximum permitted UK shot size 7 or smaller (eg No 9 shot for Skeet), using cartridges larger than shot size 7 can be dangerous as the shot will travel much further. No solid, Ball or Rifled Slugs shall be used on the clay range.
- Maximum cartridge load to be 28 grams. Junior members aged under 14 years are limited to maximum cartridge load of 21 grams.
- Fibre wads only to be used. No plastic wads.

TARGETS

- Only approved and Standard Clay Pigeons are to be used and launched from appropriate Clay Pigeon Traps.
- The Range Owner has the final decision on what is considered an appropriate Clay Trap.

SAFETY

- Shotguns must remain in their slips/cases at all times unless on the firing point.
- There is to be no handling of guns away from the firing point.
- All shooting is to be conducted from the fixed cages. No exceptions. If competitions or other clay shoots are arranged where clay pigeon shooting is carried out whilst the shooter is not within the fixed cages, nor within the designated clay shooting area then this shooting will not be covered by the The Club insurance. This type of shooting is deemed to be a private shoot operating under the Range Owners direction/discretion and will therefore be covered by the Range Owners insurance. The use of clay pigeons as frangible targets within the Practical Shooting area is covered by the Practical Shooting Range Orders, where frangible targets make up part of a specified Course of Fire consisting of both steel AND frangible targets.
- It is the responsibility of both the Trapper/RO and the shooter to ensure that all safety flags are in position, no members of the public are in the danger areas and no one is forward of the firing points. If any members of the club, the shooting party, or members of public, or animals enter into the danger area either on foot or whilst operating vehicles or machinery then all shooting shall cease until such a time as the danger area is cleared. There are no exceptions to this rule under any circumstances.

- All non-shooters are to remain behind the safety line when shooting in progress. Only Trappers/Range Officers along with shooters are allowed in front of safety line when shooting is in progress. The safety line is to be advised to all shooters by the RO upon immediately turning up to the clay shooting range area throughout the day.

OPERATION OF CLAY TRAPS

- No probationary members or guests are to act as trappers or operate the clay traps.
- It is advised to wear head protection when loading, arming, disarming or when in the immediate vicinity of clay traps.
- The handling and locating of traps is the responsibility of the Range Officer / Trapper.
- Direction of the launched clays must be checked and kept away from area where vehicles are parked and buildings are located, this is the responsibility of the trapper/range officer.
- Loading and emptying of clays must only be done by trained experienced shooters.

BEFORE FIRING

- A shooting party should consist of at least two people. One to shoot and the other to act as Trapper/Range Officer who shall be easily identifiable by wearing a fluorescent vest whilst acting as Trapper/Range Officer. If this minimum is not met, no shooting is to take place.
- Vehicles are to be parked in such a way as not to cause a hazard to shooters or members of the public and they do not restrict access to the Storage container. They should also ensure that vehicles are parked in such a way as not to restrict the access of emergency vehicles to the firing points.
- All members are required to wear their membership cards at all times.
- Under certain weather conditions or farming operations shooting on the field may have to be stopped or not take place. These include low cloud and fog and harvesting of crops.
This is due to not being able to see the clays properly, not able to see members of public in danger areas and the possibility of noise affecting the local villages and population.
If in doubt, the final decision on this matter is made by the Range Owner.
- Probationary members, Guests and Visitors are required to wear appropriate Hi-Viz Jackets/Bibs as per the other range areas.
- Guests are permitted to shoot only on approved Club or Range Guest Days and must be under the supervision of the member of whom they are a Guest.
- Visitors are not permitted to shoot.

DURING FIRING

Firing practices to be conducted as follows:

- Trapper to act as Range Officer and to be easily identifiable by wearing the appropriate high vis vest.
- Hearing protection is to be worn by all shooters and spectators. Eye protection is recommended to be worn by those taking part in this activity and is available in the range office, along with ear protection.
- Shotguns to be loaded only when the shooter is in the cage on the firing point and the weapon is pointed downrange. The weapon must be pointed downrange at all times.
- Shooting is to halt immediately if vehicles, members of the public or animals encroach past warning flags or into the danger area. Shooting is to continue only when they have left the danger areas.
- In busy periods shooters and trappers are to adopt a "rota" system (as specified by the individual club/range user) and shoot a maximum of 25 single clays at a time. This is to allow as many shooters as is possible to shoot.

AFTER FIRING

- On completion of the shooting detail the shotgun is to be cleared by the trapper/range officer before it is placed in its slip/case and removed from the firing point.
- Empty cases are to be tidied up and disposed of. This is the responsibility of the shooter.
- Any negligent or dangerous discharge of a weapon is to be reported to the Club Management Committee by the acting Trapper/Range Officer. The Club Management Committee will decide on whether any action or remedial training is required in accordance with the disciplinary procedure laid down in The Club constitution.

INCIDENTS/EMERGENCIES

- The nearest First Aid box is located in the range at the RANGE office.
- The nearest telephone is personal mobile phones.
- In the event of an accident carry out the following procedures:

ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORTING PROCEDURE

1. STOP FIRING/ISOLATE THE AREA.
2. ADMINISTER FIRST AID
3. PHONE EMERGENCY SERVICES ON TEL. No 999 STATING;
 - a. NUMBER OF CASUALTIES
 - b. TYPE OF INJURIES
 - c. LOCATION OF CASUALTY

- d. RENDEVOUS FOR AMBULANCE (top of Moor Lane Fiskerton)
- e. YOUR CIVILIAN CONTACT PHONE NUMBER
4. SEND RUNNER TO RENDEVOUS POINT
5. DO NOT TAMPER WITH THE WEAPON / EVIDENCE
6. TAKE STATEMENTS FROM WITNESSES ONCE CASUALTY HAS BEEN DEALT WITH BY EMERGENCY SERVICES. IF POSSIBLE, PHOTOGRAPH THE SCENE. HAND ALL STATEMENTS & EVIDENCE TO THE CLUB MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.
7. Inform Range owner. The owner is to be available at all times

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ADMINISTRATION/MAINTENANCE

- The responsibility for the maintenance of the range is the Range Owner.
- The range is to be INSPECTED MONTHLY by the Range owner. It is also to be inspected by the club shooting on that day prior to the commencement of and on completion of shooting. Any damage to be recorded and the Range Owner notified.
- If the damage is likely to present a safety issue to shooters or members of the public, no shooting is to take place until the damage has been repaired/rectified and is deemed safe to proceed by Range Owner.