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Fundy Shooting Sports

Range Safety Orientation

All new members are required to complete this training course before gaining access to the shooting range. If you haven't already done so visit the website (fundyshootingsports.org) go to the "membership info" page & review all the documents – **signing up as a member means you have read and agree to abide by all our rules.** Failure to follow our rules may result in **suspension** or a **lifetime ban.**

The Purpose Of This Presentation:

- Promote firearms safety
- Raise awareness of Range safety issues
- Ensure that members understand the range operating rules and personal liability
- Lower the risk of a safety related event at the range

Safety is everyone's responsibility!

What are Our Safety Rules?



Range Rules

25/50 Yard Firing Line

- Unlock main gate and secure lock on the end of the arm
- Raise the Red flag and turn the Range "IN USE" sign over
- Unlock main seacan and sign in with arrival time in the log book
- Record the name of your guests in the log book
- All shooters must wear safety glasses and have hearing protection
- The Range Safety Officer is in charge at all times
- On arrival, firearms are to remain cased or racked until the shooter moves to the firing line and uncased only when all members are behind the firing line
- When handling any firearm check to ensure it is empty
- All firearms are to be carried with the actions open
- When on the firing line always point the firearm downrange
- No person shall touch a firearm while anyone is down range of the firing line
- Do not shoot over the back stops
- Acceptable targets are: Paper or cardboard
- UNACCEPTABLE TARGETS: GLASS, COMPUTERS, AEROSOL CANS, PROPANE CANS, FOAM INSULATION CANS OR KITCHEN APPLIANCES
- **The 25/50 Yard range is shotgun certified for slugs only no birdshot**
- No alcohol or drugs are to be consumed prior to or during shooting
- Do not use staples on the rubber matting, use push pins provided
- Do not store any firearms or ammunition in the seacan
- **Before leaving:** Pick up your used paper targets or cardboard and put in the burning barrels, pick up any misfired rounds and place them in the container provided and pick up used shell casings and place in the buckets provided
- Upon leaving, lower the Red flag, turn the Range "Not in Use" sign over, record your departure time in the log book and lock the seacan
- Lock and secure the main gate

Range rules are posted on 4 large signs throughout the facility; this one is on the main seacan. **Read and follow them!**

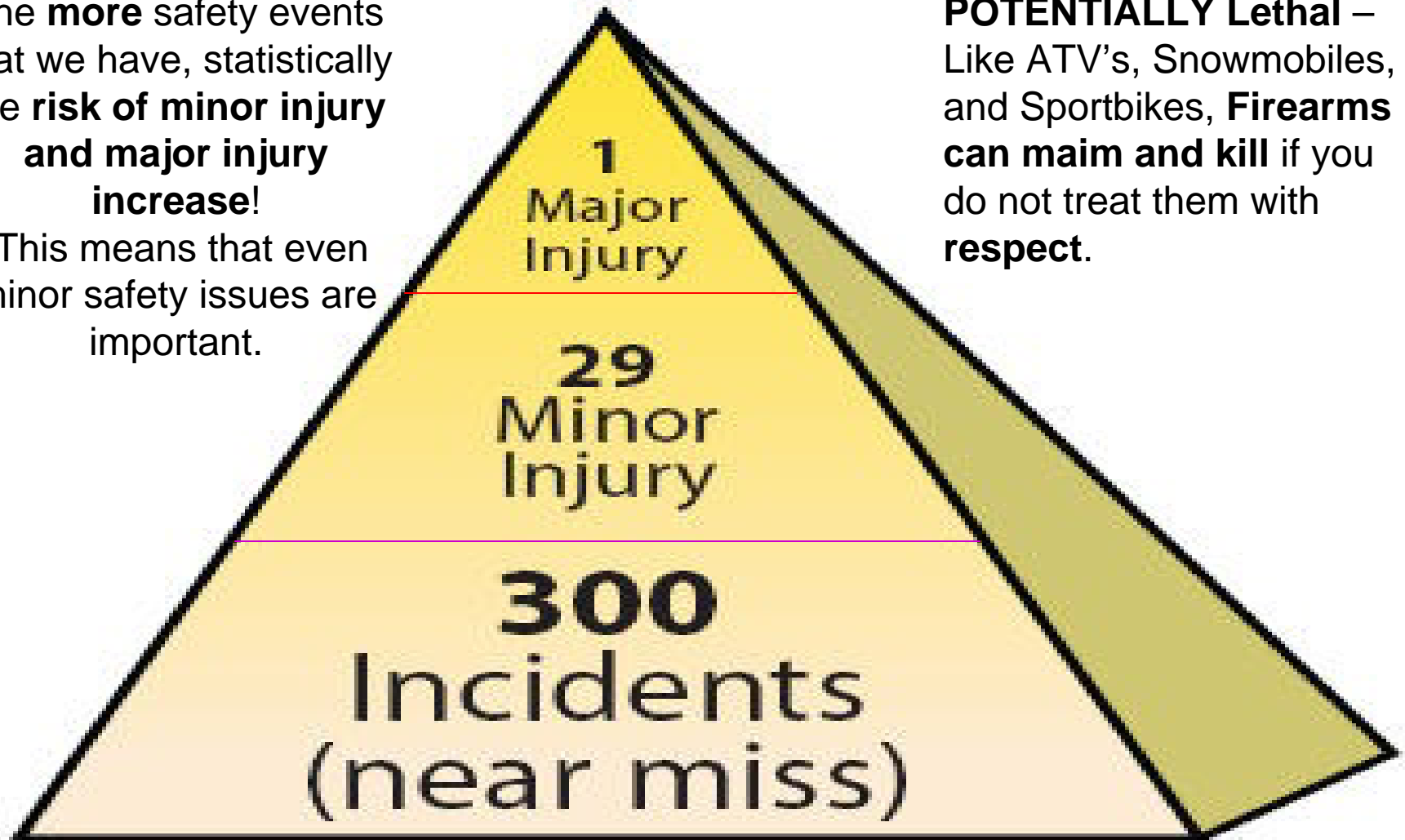
They are also on the club website under "membership info".

The Safety Triangle

The **more** safety events that we have, statistically the **risk of minor injury and major injury increase!**

This means that even minor safety issues are important.

POTENTIALLY Lethal – Like ATV's, Snowmobiles, and Sportbikes, **Firearms** can maim and kill if you do not treat them with **respect.**



Why Is This Presentation Necessary?

- The club membership has increased significantly to over 500 members
- The number of range safety-related events (reported) has climbed significantly
- The majority of club members do not attend club meetings. Consequently, they may not be aware of safety issues.
- **We are filling in the base of the safety triangle (by having safety incidents)!**
- **Without intervention by all members someone may get injured or killed.**

Members share the responsibility of keeping the range safe, avoiding injuries to themselves, others, and the public. Use of range property is a privilege that can be revoked by the owner, especially if it becomes an unsafe facility.

Member & Executive Responsibilities

- The club is a **volunteer-run incorporated not-for-profit** organization
- The purpose of the **executive members** is to keep the club **operating legally** by ensuring the **property owners** approve of activities, the **insurance company** continues to underwrite our range, and **government** regulations are followed
- Members are required to contribute to the upkeep and repair of the range – **this is not a business, we do not have employees**. If work is required to keep a range open please make every effort to assist, otherwise the range will remain closed until it is safe to use
- **Policing of activities at the range is the responsibility of members present during use** – be safe, keep the range clean, report unsafe acts so the range will not end up closed & we don't have a place to shoot

Utilizing the Range



Contact the club president, or any member of the executive team, if you discover trespassers. You can advise them to leave but avoid confrontation. If necessary, call the police.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE REQUIRED TO CARRY THEIR MEMBERSHIP CARDS WHILE AT THE RANGE! Your membership card is your permit to transport non-restricted firearms – DO NOT FORGET IT!

Range Is Private Property!



The range is NOT crown land. Anyone who is not a club member (or guest) is trespassing. Anyone who is not a club member (or guest) carrying a firearm on the range is **BREAKING THE LAW** and faces **SERIOUS CRIMINAL CHARGES!**

Main Gate



If you are the last person leaving the Range it is vital to lock the gate to prevent trespassers from entering the range. **Trespassers have historically caused significant damage to range facilities. They are also not insured or allowed to shoot at this range** without the presence and authorization of the club.

Leave the Lock Closed When Gate is Open



Leave the lock closed on the gate so that it will not be stolen. It is acceptable to leave the gate open while using the range; you may prefer to lock it closed for security if you are alone. **REMEMBER – THE GATE PADLOCK IS ALWAYS LOCKED!**

Range Not in Use



Green flag will be up when range is not in use. The red flag should be tightly secured at bottom of pole and tied to the cleat to prevent it from being ripped by the wind.

Range in Use



Before you raise the Red flag ensure that it is untied from the cleat. The Red flag must be up when range is in use. Ensure that the green flag is tightly secured at bottom of pole to prevent it from being ripped by the wind. Turn the sign over to indicate the Range Is "In Use". Proceed to the main seacan at the 25/50 yard line unless the inside gate is closed.

Open Seacan and PRINT NAME LEGIBLY In Log Book



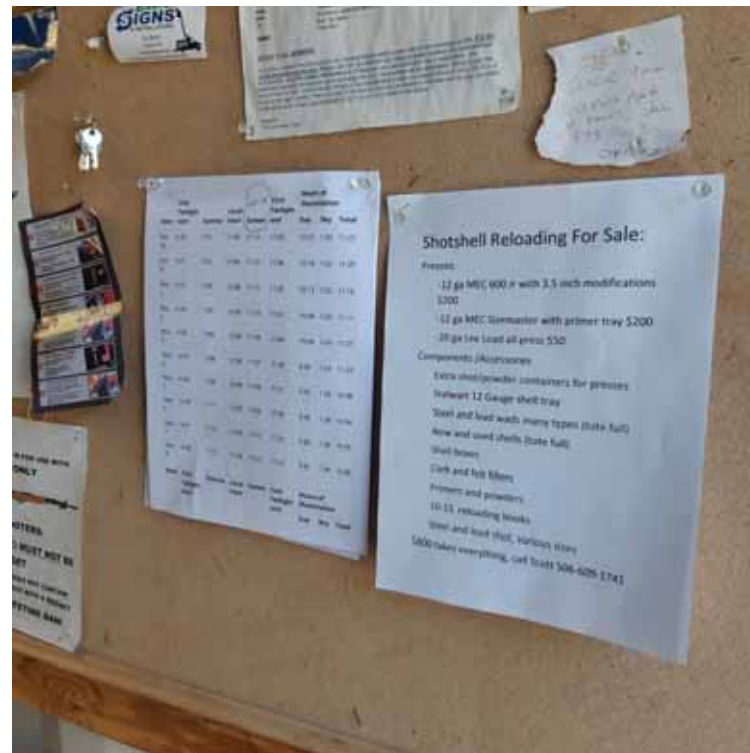
It is extremely important to **print** your name in the log book **and any guests** that you have. Targets & target stands are also located in the seacan. Hours of operation are daily 9:00 AM to legal hunting end time (Sunset plus 30 minutes) no later than 9:00 PM (21:00 Hours). Prior to going to the range **check the Schedule and News sections on the website** to ensure the range is not booked for a special event. **No children under age 10.** Hearing protection & eye protection ARE **MANDATORY** on the firing line.

Securing the Seacan Door



When you open the door on the main seacan please swing the door all the way open and hook it to the seacan with the trailer latch. Put the padlock on the handle on the left hand door. **When leaving make sure the door is closed and the padlock goes back under the shroud that it came off of.** Do not put it on the right hand handle as shown above.

Member Lockers & Bulletin Board



If you wish to keep your rifle rest, ear muffs, sand bags or targets at the range you can claim an unused locker. Just put a piece of tape on the locker with your name on it. Remember that **you are not allowed to keep any ammo or firearms in the locker.** There is also a bulletin board that you may post for sale or lost items. The sunset times are also posted there.

Bringing Guests To the Range



You are permitted to bring guests to the range to use the facility **under your supervision**. They are required to **read, agree to, initial and sign** the Liability Waiver form which **you will then witness and sign**. Place the completed form in the box. The form must be completed every time the guest visits the range. Print your name as usual in the logbook and include the name of your guest(s). Remember, **there are limits on the number of guests** allowed per member: **2 guests/member maximum**. It is strongly recommended that if you have two guests you do not participate in any shooting but function solely as RSO to ensure safety – *remember personal liability*. **Guests who have visited the range on two previous occasions are expected to become members, it is not our intent to create permanent guests.**

Guest Liability Waiver Form



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Waiver and Release of Liability Agreement

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IMPORTANT: THIS DOCUMENT WILL AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS AND LIABILITIES. This waiver form must be read, understood and signed before the participant is allowed to take part in any shooting event.

I, Joe Guest ("Guest/User"), including all minors that I am legally or ethically responsible, as listed below in consideration of being permitted to participate in any shooting sports or activities of Fundy Shooting Sports Inc. (FSSI), acknowledge, appreciate and irrevocably agree that:

1. I have read the Safety Rules of FSSI as posted.

- I am aware that shooting sports and all activities related thereto involve inherent risks, dangers and hazards, including the risk of serious personal injury or death.
- I freely accept and fully assume all risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of personal injury, death, property damage or loss resulting from my participation in shooting activities.
- I hereby release FSSI from any and all liability for any loss, damage, injury or expense that I, or my next of kin, may suffer or incur as a result of my actions at the shooting range.
- I hereby acknowledge that I am not under any prohibition from handling, possessing, or using firearms and/or ammunition and/or prohibited devices of any nature (in other words, ask yourself if the police or a probation officer would be upset that you were here).
- I further acknowledge and agree that if at any time, I believe the conditions to be unsafe and/or the conditions are objectively unsafe on the premises in relation to the conduct of any person present, I will immediately discontinue further participation in the shooting sport or activity and immediately notify the FSSI representative.

GUEST'S INITIAL AS READ PART B: JG

B. WAIVER AND RELEASE: Fundy Shooting Sports Inc. (FSSI) and its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives and agents from any and all claims, demands, damages, actions arising whether directly or indirectly from or in consequence of any and all losses, injury (including loss of life) and/or damage to the person and/or property of the FSSI suffered, sustained or incurred during, in connection with or as a result of my presence at or use of the facilities, or while attending or participating in activity associated or connected with FSSI, the facilities or the directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives and agents of the FSSI, due to any cause whatsoever including without limitation the negligence, gross negligence or willful misconduct of the FSSI, its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, clients, customers, suppliers, members or agents. **AND ON BEHALF OF MYSELF, I HEREBY WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS** against FSSI and its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives and agents for damages, costs and expenses (including legal expenses) which I may have, sustain or incur in connection with or participating in activity associated or connected with FSSI including, without limitation, all damage, costs and expenses arising from: (a) the provision of services of any kind including, but not limited to, provision of firearms and ammunition and the loading and discharge thereof, and (b) the provision of insurance or lack thereof, and

GUEST'S INITIAL AS READ PART B: JG

C. INDEMNITY and agree to promptly indemnify and hold FSSI and its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives and agents harmless from and against any and all liabilities, claims, demands, actions, causes of action, judgments (including judgments for costs), costs or expenses (including legal expenses) which FSSI or its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives or agents may suffer, sustain or incur as a direct or indirect result of any act or omission of any nature or kind whatsoever of the USER or any guest or invitee of the USER. I acknowledge that the execution and delivery of this Release Waiver and Indemnity Agreement is required as a condition precedent of FSSI granting access to the facility and use thereof. I further acknowledge and agree that FSSI reserves the right not to proceed with granting access or to otherwise discontinue access at any time. I represent and warrant to FSSI that I have authority to sign this Release, Waiver and Indemnity Agreement on behalf of heirs, my executors, administrators and myself.

GUEST'S INITIAL AS READ PART C: JG

Fundy Shooting Sports Inc.
Waiver and Release of Liability Agreement continued:

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I have read this Waiver and Release of Liability Agreement (including the below attached Firearms and Range Safety Rules) prior to signing it, and I understand it. I further understand that by signing this document, I am affecting the legal rights of myself, minors listed below, my heirs, executors, administrators and my next of kin. The information collected on this form shall be treated as confidential and will only be released and stored as required by law.

If any part of this document shall be unenforceable, the portion, which is unenforceable, shall be served and the balance of this document shall remain in full force and effect. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, if the Release on behalf of myself or any minor that I am legally or ethically responsible for shall be deemed to be unenforceable, the aforesaid indemnities shall nevertheless remain in full force and effect.

Name of Guest / User (Print): <u>Joe Guest</u>	Signature of Guest / User: <u>Joe Guest</u>
Name of Minor Guest - if applicable (Print):	Signature of Guardian (You must be the Legal parent or guardian to sponsor a minor):
Printed name of Member: <u>JOE GUEST</u>	Signature of Member: <u>Joe Guest</u>
Date: <u>JAN 2, 2022</u>	

Firearm Safety:

You will see firearm safety reminders posted throughout our facility, not just in the range area. All staff, members and users of this range must follow these rules at all times. They are clear and simple, and if they are never violated, a firearm can never without human intervention accidentally harm anybody.

- ASSUME EVERY FIREARM IS LOADED
- CONTROL THE MUZZLE DIRECTION AT ALL TIMES
- KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER AND OUT OF THE TRIGGER GUARD UNTIL YOUR SIGHTS ARE ON THE TARGET
- ALWAYS BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET AND BEYOND

Range Safety:

- Everyone must wear ear and eye protection while in the shooting bays
- Firearms will only be loaded on the firing line.
- Keep your muzzle pointed below the top of the range backstop.
- Nobody will move in front of the firing line for any reason, without the approval of a Range Officer.
- Only ammunition of the types and calibers authorized will be used. When in doubt ask the staff.
- Remember that lead is a hazardous material and that while shooting you can be exposed to it.
- For your own safety, do not eat or drink on the ranges after you have been shooting without first washing your hands. Remember to wash your hands before leaving the facility and/or before eating or drinking.

Have your guest read and complete a Liability Waiver form. **Print their name on the front, initial the three paragraphs.** On the back side they must print their name and sign it. You, as **the member, must print, sign and date the form.** Then place it into the Completed Waiver box provided.

Main Seacan



There is a first aid kit in the main seacan, as well as a spotting scope and rifle rest for the membership to use. **If you use any of the items in the First Aid Kit please let an Executive Team member know** so we can replace the item. Ear plugs, targets and push pins are available as well.

Safety & Accident Report



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DO NOT LET AN INJURED MEMBER OR GUEST TRANSPORT THEMSELVES TO THE HOSPITAL

Date: _____ Time: _____

Reporting Party: _____ Phone: _____

Location Incident Occurred: _____ Pistol Bay, _____ 25/50 Yard Range, _____ 100 Yard Range,
_____ Shotgun Field, _____ Other (Describe) _____

Describe the Incident:

Identify Person/s Involved in Incident: _____ License Plate _____

Identify any Witnesses to the Incident: _____ License Plate _____

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Was protective equipment in place at the time of the incident/injury? (Eye & Ear): Yes ___ No ___

Name of member acting as Range Safety Officer: _____

First Aid was Administered by, (included name and phone number) _____

Was 911 called?: Yes ___ No ___ If Yes, Police Report taken by Officer _____

Name of Executive Team (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer) notified: _____

Date when RCMP Hampton notified: _____

Date when Chief Firearms Officer notified: _____

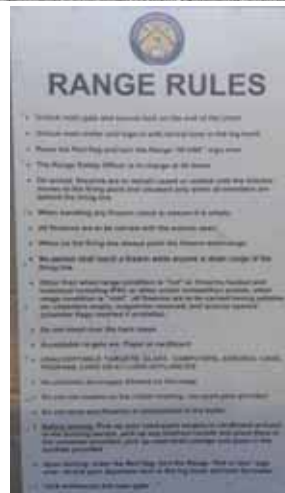
If you **have an accident or witness one** please **complete this report** and inform someone on the **Executive Team**

Flag Procedures – 100 & 25/50



There are red warning flags on both the 100 yard and the 25/50 yard firing lines. These flags are to be used when either range is active **in addition to the main flag** at the secondary gate. Upon arrival remove the flag from the black plastic holder, unfurl and place it in the flag holder. When you are finished please remove the flag, roll it up and return it to the holder.

Flag Procedures - Pistol Bays



There are two dedicated Pistol Bays for your enjoyment. They have a **separate flagging system** so **if you are using them then the Red warning flag must be flown** in addition to the flag at the secondary gate.

Stop if the Inside Gate is Closed as 200 Yard Range is in Use!



You must stop at this gate at the top of the hill as some one is firing from the 200 yard line. This effectively closes the entire range to anyone else. **To proceed is to risk being shot!**

200Yard Firing Position



This is where a shooter is positioned while firing on the 200 yard line. The entire range is in the field of fire. **Do NOT enter if the inside gate is closed.**

View From 200 Yard Firing Position



As you can see from the 200 yard firing line, the entire range is in the field of fire so other firing positions are closed and off-limits. If you wish to shoot 200 yards **IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE ALL OTHER RANGES ARE VACANT AND IT IS SAFE TO DO SO.** Lock the inside gate closed – your key (gate, seacan) is the same.

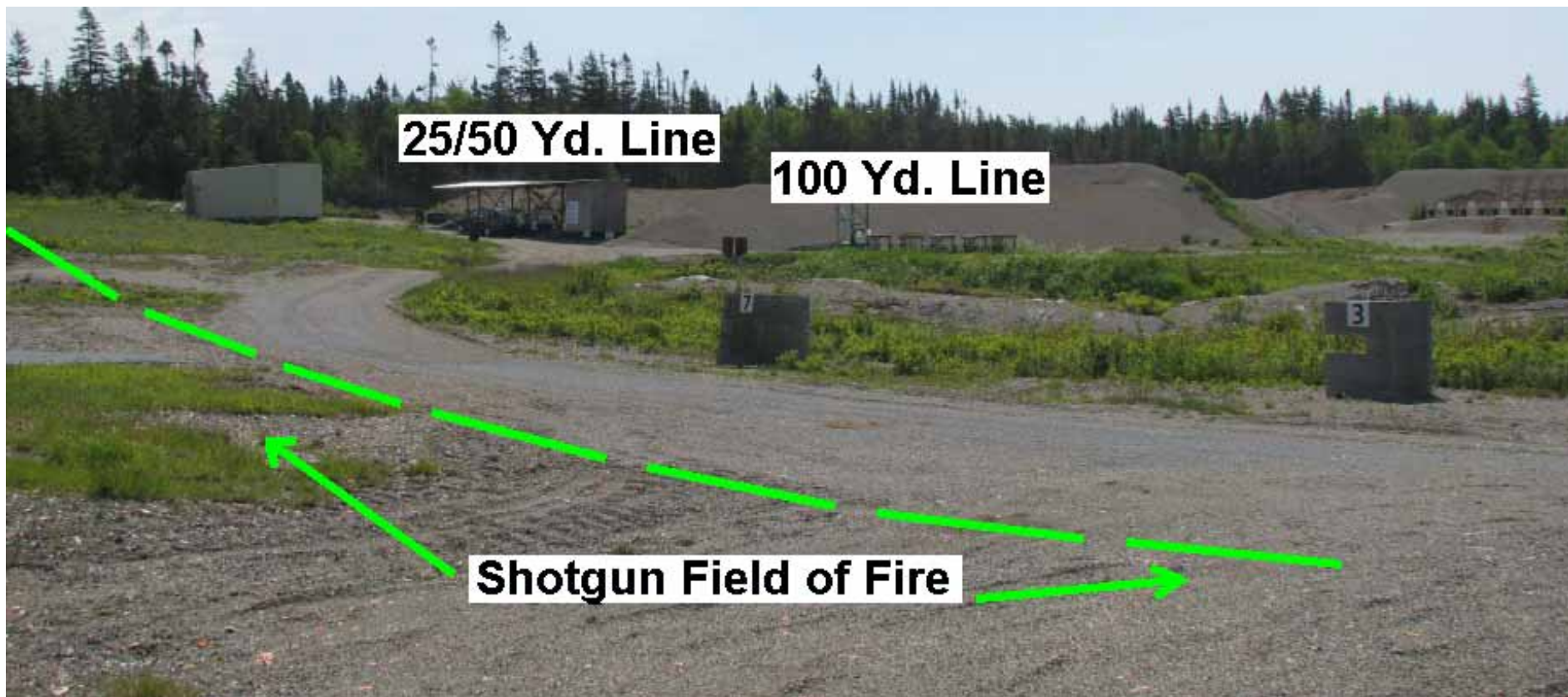
Using the 200 Yard Range



Once you have **signed in** and **ensured all the other ranges are empty** you may **close & lock the secondary gate**. Proceed to the 200 Yard firing position.

When finished shooting, **re-secure the gate on the rest and lock it** so it won't fall off.

View From Shotgun Range



As you can see from the shotgun firing line, the **entire range is in the field of fire so other firing positions are closed**. If shooters are on the pistol or rifle firing lines you must not shoot shotgun as they are downrange of your firing position. **As with the 200 yard range you must ensure all other ranges are vacant before using the shotgun range.**

5 Stand Shotgun Field



We shoot every **Wednesday** evening from 5 PM onward from **May to mid September**; **all other ranges are closed**. There are 10 mechanical clay throwers with 4 different types of clays. Each thrower has different angles and speeds for a real challenge.

Overhead View



Shotgun field has 10 mechanical throwers including a standard clays, rabbit, batteu and Midi clays. All throwers are connected to a wireless controller and there are 6 different courses programmed in.

Using The Manual Clay Thrower



If you want to shoot clays with your shotgun and arrive at the range to find other ranges in use, you can use the manual clay thrower on the 100 yard range. The thrower is located in the main seacan and bolts to the yellow table at the 100 yard firing line. **USE EXTREME CARE** when cocking the thrower – it can easily break an arm. **NEVER** pass in front of the cocked thrower. **Use target loads only – no magnums, no bigger than 7 ½ shot, aerial targets (clays) only. Ensure that the thrower is set up to throw the clays straight down the 100 yard range or with a slight right hand curve.**

Pick Up Your Shells



Pick up your shotgun shells when you are done shooting. If you are not reloading them then they are garbage; take them home with you. They do not go in the burn barrels or the shell containers.

Right hand image shows empty fired shells **#2 Super Magnum** and **00 Buck**, both are **not to be used at the range**. You may use slugs only at the 25/50 yard range. Aerial targets can only be shot with **target loads of #7 1/2, #8 or #9 shot**.

Approved Targets - Placement



Always take special care to avoid unnecessary damage to range furniture (railway ties, target frames, crosspieces). **NEVER fire from one shooting lane into another.** Place targets correctly and clean them up when done shooting. If you want to shoot clay targets with a rifle then straighten out a coat hanger and bend the bottom into a "J" hook.

Inappropriate Targets



Don't place anything on top of the target frames or in front of the lane markers. Don't bring any junk to the range to shoot up. Don't place any targets on the ground in front of the 100 yard target holders, the ground is too shallow and the bullets will ricochet over the main backstop. Clean up your targets when done shooting.

Approved Targets ONLY – No Junk or Trash!



By signing up as a member you have agreed abide by our rules. If you violate these rules you are risking injury to yourself and others and will be banned from the club. Names of banned members are shared with other local clubs! Paper targets are free and available in the seacan for members to use on the range.

The 25/50 & 100 Yard Back Stop



There are houses down range of this berm. Projectiles from rifles and pistols can reach local homes if you overshoot the berm. Be careful and responsible. Avoid climbing the berm as it pushes down the soil affecting the height and angle for stopping rounds.

Properties behind the 100 Yard Backstop



Please make sure that any rounds fired at the 100/200 yard backstop are captured by the backstop. There are 42 separate properties directly behind the berm and any **overshoots could have dire consequences – REMEMBER PERSONAL LIABILITY**

What High Powered Rifle Fire Does to Pistol Targets



High caliber rifles, high velocity rifles, and jacketed steel ammunition (**SKS 7.62x39**) will penetrate/spall pistol targets. This is dangerous to the shooter and destroys valuable club property – these targets are now scrap. Violators will be banned from the club.

ATTENTION:

**THE 100 YARD RANGE STEEL RIFLE GONG IS FOR USE WITH
STANDARD CENTER FIRE AMMO **ONLY****



SKS SHOOTERS:

**SURPLUS 7.62x39 (STEEL CORE) MUST NOT BE
USED ON THIS TARGET**

**ALL OTHER USERS MUST ENSURE AMMO DOES NOT CONTAIN
STEEL (AKA "GREEN TIPS") – IF IN DOUBT TEST WITH A MAGNET**

VIOLATORS WILL RECEIVE LIFETIME BAN!

What Surplus 7.62x39 (Steel Penetrator) or Green Tip Ammo Does To The 100 Yard Rifle Gong



Surplus 7.62x39 & 5.56 (.223) Green Tip ammo have steel cores that will heavily damage the 100 yard rifle gong. This target, $\frac{3}{4}$ " thick AR500 steel, will now cause dangerous ricochets and must be replaced (\$400 cost to the club membership).

The 25/50 Yard Firing Line



Stay behind this line when the firing line is in use. Only go to target area when a **cease fire** has been sounded by the range officer and **acknowledged by the other shooters**. When a cease fire has been called all firearms must be unloaded, pointed downrange, with actions open and up and a chamber flag inserted (if you have one). **Do not ever touch a firearm while under a cease fire order or if ANYONE IS DOWNRANGE!**

Changing Targets / Moving In Front Of The Firing Line



After a ***cease fire*** has been sounded by the range officer and ***acknowledged by the other shooters*** & all firearms are unloaded, pointed downrange, with actions open and up, proceed to the target stand. NO ONE may ***touch a firearm while under a cease fire order or if ANYONE IS DOWNRANGE!*** Notice the bolt is removed & chamber empty on the rifle above.

Wheelchair Ramp – Be Considerate



If you are shooting at bench #1 at the 25/50 firing line and a disabled member or guest arrives you are expected to move to another shooting position. If however, there are no other shooting benches available then the disabled user will have to wait until a position opens up.

Handguns & Holsters - Procedures



Handguns are to be holster carried with the slide locked open and the magazine removed. In order to remove a loaded handgun from a holster you must be Black Badge Qualified. It is a two day course in which you will fire between 500 and 700 rounds doing drills to develop muscle memory. Once you are qualified, you can then compete in an IPSC style event.

If you are standing here at the 25/50 Yard Line and people start shooting on the Shotgun Range: **STOP THEM!**



You are down range of the shotgun firing position while on the 25/50 or 100 yard firing point. **You are in the line of fire and could be shot!** To avoid injury you absolutely must stop people from using the shotgun range if you are at the 25/50 or 100 yard firing line. Report the incident to the club executive as soon as possible.

If you witness an unsafe act speak to the person(s) involved and coach them.
Don't confront – EDUCATE!

- Report unsafe acts to the Club executive.
- Communicate with other shooters sharing the range to ensure clarity regarding safety rules.
Don't assume others know. Verify!
- Select a range safety officer when appropriate – ANY TIME there is more than 1 shooter!

The Range is Closed for Moose Season



Out of courtesy to our neighbours and to foster good will in the community **we close the range to all shooting activity from Monday morning to Saturday evening for the whole week of Moose Season** – this is the only time the range is closed

Don't Litter: Keep your Range Clean! We Are Guests On The Property!

- Don't shoot glass objects, kitchen appliances, computers, fire extinguishers, foam insulation cans or **ANY OTHER TRASH!!! Violators Will Be Banned!** **USE YOUR HEAD AND PICK UP AFTER YOURSELF!**
- **PAPER** Ammo boxes and used **PAPER** targets can be put in the burn barrels. **METAL CANS, SPRAY CANS, PLASTIC BOTTLES, USED BRASS AND OTHER NONFLAMMABLES DO NOT GO IN THE BARRELS!!! TAKE THEM HOME WITH YOU!!!** Bottle and Can drink containers go in the recycle bin. Everything else, if you bring it out, you can bring it back. The range is not a dump and other members are not pleased having to clean up after lazy, ignorant people!



- **Please pick up your spent shell casings** and place them in the containers provided (brass, aluminum & steel). Brass .22LR casings are considered as gravel but must be swept off the firing line

Misfired Ammo Box

Pick up and dispose of misfired rounds in a safe manner – **USE THE MISFIRED AMMO BOX LOCATED AT THE 25/50 YARD FIRING LINE and one in the Pistol Bay as well.** Picture on right shows a typical amount of rounds after six months of use



Leaving The Range – Last One Out



Log out of the register book in the seacan by recording your departure time, **turn off the lights & lock the door**. Ensure you put the lock under the metal shroud and not on the right hand door. Put the green flag up and tightly furl the red flag at the bottom and secure rope on the cleat, flip the "Not In Use" sign up. Drive your vehicle out the main gate & lock it behind you. See you next time!

Thanks for watching and enjoy your range safely.