Woody's Hunting and Rifle Club Range Manual

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1.0 Introduction

This manual has guidelines and rules that every member and their guest must follow. There are no exceptions. "Safety Is First" and cannot be compromised by unsafe acts or rules being overlooked.

There are "general rules" and "safety rules" explained throughout this manual. Many rules apply to specific ranges.

Please read this manual and understand it in its entirety. If a rule is unclear, get it clarified by Damon before using the range. "I didn't know...." is not an excuse.

Members are encouraged to keep a copy of this manual for their reference while at the range. This manual is current as of the date indicated 1/15/2023. All highlighted in red are changes that have be updated. However, it may be revised from time to time. An email will be sent out to all active members notifying them if there are any updates. The manual will also be posted inside the sign-in building. You can also print and review it from the website<u>www.whr.club</u>

Members are required to monitor and assist in ensuring guidelines and rules are being followed. The range is for members and their guests' enjoyment. If a rule or guideline is witnessed being broken, we need to know. When you confront another member or their guests, do it in a courteous way. If they have a problem with it, get their name off their badge, walk away and call us immediately at 919-422-6465. We will handle it from that point. We know it's awkward approaching members about their actions, but we must assure that we keep the range, members and guests safe at all times.

2.0 Medical Emergency

If there is a medical emergency, call 911.

The range address is 180 Woodland Rd New Hill NC 27562. As of this rule revision, all new members badges have the address printed on the back for quick reference. The sign-in building has the address posted on the side along with other emergency procedures. The latitude and longitude are on the sign in case someone needs to be airlifted. A first aid kit is located inside as well.

Moncure Fire and Rescue department is located 1 1/2 miles south on the right just past the range entrance from Old US 1. They are aware that there is a range located close by.

3.0 Property Rules

3.1. Range Hours are 8:00 am until sunset Monday - Saturday and 12:00 pm until sunset on Sunday. (No firearms are permitted to be fired before 12:00 pm Sunday.) Range is open 365 days a year.

3.2. Observe all posted signs. Speed limit is 10mph. If your vehicle is creating dust, you're speeding.

3.3. All members must sign in before accessing any range and sign out before leaving. Members badges are required to be worn at all times. Any member not wearing a badge will be asked to leave the range until badge is present and visible.

3.4. Anyone under the age of 18 must stay with a parent or guardian at all times. Children not under supervision will not be tolerated.

3.5. Open Carrying or Carrying a Concealed pistol is allowed as long as it remains holstered at all times except when on a firing range.

3.6. Do not litter. All members are required to clean up their trash after range use. All shotgun hulls and all brass on the rifle ranges needs to be picked up. All cardboard must be put in the burn barrels - not in the trash cans. Any member not following this rule will be banned indefinitely.

3.7. Under no circumstance will any conflicts be allowed between members. This includes all guests. Problems shall be resolved in an orderly way or you will be permanently banned from the property without refund.

3.8. Members or their guests who damage or destroy range property shall pay for all replacement costs of any damaged range property and all other damage to any facilities related to the range property or membership will be revoked with no refund.

3.9. Guests must stay with the hosting member at all times.

3.10. The range is always under construction in some areas. Do not enter these areas with your vehicle. If it has rained and it's wet, stay off of these areas. You will make a mess that will have to be fixed at your cost.

3.11. Pets are allowed as long as they are under control of the owner and not running around the range property.

3.12. No alcohol or drugs are allowed before or during range use. If you are on a prescription drug(s), use good judgement on the use of it before using the range facilities. WHRC hosts several shooting events yearly and alcohol is allowed after members or competitors are through shooting and their firearms are stored away. At no time is anyone allowed to handle a firearm for <u>any</u> reason while under the influence. You will be permanently banned

3.13. Members are required to be pro-active and be certain that the range rules are being followed and keep range safe at all times.

3.14. Gate Rule. All members must stop and enter their pin number regardless if the gate is open, Members are also required not to let anyone enter the range behind them.

4.0 Guest Check-In and Rules

4.1. Members are required to check in each guest.

4.3. Members must <u>sign and print</u> their name on guest sign in sheet. Members must print their name beside each guest they check in.

4.4. A \$40.00 guest fee per guest applies to all guest visits. Fees must be paid in cash if paid by guest. Member's check is acceptable if member pays guest fee. Checks need to be payable to Woody's Hunting and Rifle Club.

4.5. The member (not guest) must place the guest fee in envelope along with the guest wavier. Member's name and amount placed in envelope must be legibly written on the outside of the envelope and dropped in drop box. All guest fees are the responsibility of the member to assure they are paid in full. If the paperwork is not completed as above the member will lose their guest privileges.

4.6. Guest must wear Guest Badge at all times.

4.7. Members are responsible for all guests and their actions. There is no limit on the number of guests a member can bring while using the pistol bays as long as the member can control activity in a safe matter. If it gets to be a problem then restrictions will be placed on that member. If a member intends oto have more than five guests I need to know before hand. Sight in and 550 range members are allowed to bring one guest per membership. Any member with more than one guest will lose their unlimited membership. No guests are allowed at the 1000 yard range

4.8. Members, not guests, have first right on any long range table or shooting lane.

4.9. Members are responsible and must <u>confirm</u> that their guest rifle is sighted-in and can shoot a 4" group at a 100 yards. Don't jeopardize your range privilege because "they told you so."

4.10. Let your guest know before arriving of the speed limit rule. 10 mph.

4.11. If your guest arrives before you and the gate is locked, <u>do not give them the gate</u> <u>combination</u>. If the gate is unlocked they must wait for you at the sign-in building.

5.0 General Range Rules

- 5.1. All firearms must be treated as loaded
- 5.2. Keep muzzle pointed in a safe direction.
- 5.3. Do not point your firearm at anything you do not want to destroy.
- 5.4. You are responsible for your actions and the actions of your guests.

5.5. All members and guests must wear hearing and eye protection while on the range shooting areas.

5.6. SBRs: If you hold an ATF tax stamp for a SBR you must provide paperwork so you can shoot it on the sight in and 550 range. You will receive a badge allowing you to use those ranges. If you do not have a silencer you must make sure no one is on each side of the bench you are shooting from. SHORT BARRELED PISTOLS ARE NOT ALLOWED at the rifle ranges. Any member shooting one on the rifle ranges will have their membership revoked. BINARY TRIGGERS AND BUMP STOCKS ARE NOT ALLOWED ANYWHERE ON THE PROPERTY. If you have a Class III firearm you must submit

paperwork to receive a special badge

5.7. 180 degrees muzzle rule applies on all ranges.

5.8. Only authorized targets are allowed on any range. They include paper/cardboard targets, shoot-n-see, eggs on tees, and approved steel targets. Approved steel targets are targets made for shooting purpose only. Some things that are "Not Allowed" include but are not limited to: Household products, soda cans, fruit, vegetables, plastics, glass bottles, electrical or electronic devices, exploding targets, etc.

5.9. Any targets that are used must be removed before leaving the range. Card board, paper targets and broken wood sticks can be placed in the large steel burn barrel located at the 550 range. All other trash can be thrown in trash cans located at several range areas.

5.10. Targets must be placed so all bullets impact a berm. At no time while on any range will any bullets impacting a flat area be tolerated.

This creates ricochets and the likelihood rounds could leave the ranges. Bullets do not stop on flat areas. Flat area is called the deck. The bottom of any range. No rounds are allowed to impact the deck

5.11. <u>No</u> tracers or incendiary ammunition allowed.

5.12. No Flamethrowers are allowed.

5.13. <u>NO</u> steel core ammunition allowed on any WHRC range supplied steel. No excuses.

5.14. Any unsafe act seen by any member <u>must be stopped and reported immediately</u> to a WRHC representative.

5.15 NO .50 CALIBER BMG ALLOWED

6.0 Pistol Range Rules

6.1.Targets must be placed at bottom edges of berm(s). No target(s) are allowed to be placed in the center front half of any bay. Maximum target height is 6 feet to the top of the target. Rule # 10 under "5.0 General Range Rules" apply. This will be strictly monitored and enforced. While shooting from the back of the bay all shooting must be 10 feet forward of the top peak of the berm. If you turn 180 and your round could impact high past the slope then you need to move up.

6.2. Be aware of the drainage pipes in the corners of all bays. Do not place target(s) where bullets will impact drainage pipes.

6.3. Pick up your shotgun hulls. All brass can be left on the ground in the pistol bays only. Any member leaving hulls on the ground will receive a \$100.00 cleanup invoice.

6.4. If you bring your own steel, it needs to be shot at a minimum distance of 10 yards if shooting pistol or shotgun. If you are shooting rifle at , it needs to be placed a minimum of 25 yards and be a target designed to be shot with a rifle and permanently angled downward. Shooting flat static targets at a 90 degree trajectory with a rifle is <u>Very</u> <u>Dangerous</u> and could causes ricochets that could cause injury or death. It's forbidden. You are shooting steel at your own risk.

6.5. All firearms being transported to and from vehicles must be encased, or have a chamber flag inserted. Pistol actions can be locked back with magazine removed while transporting them to and from pistol ranges.

6.6. Pistol range parking is restricted to gravel area only. If you are holding a class, instructors have permission for students to park accordingly

6.7. Drawing from a holster is allowed. Shooting while moving is allowed. Remember the 180 degree rule and be aware of your muzzle.

7.0 Rifle and Sight-In Ranges

7.1 All members with an unlimited membership have access to all ranges. This is designated by the member's name printed in black on their badge. Any member with a pistol only membership has their name printed in green. Members caught shooting on rifle ranges with their name printed in green will have their membership revoked.

7.2. All firearms must be transported to and from the firing line encased or have a chamber flag inserted. Any member are their guest not following this rule will have their membership revoked.

7.3. 550 yard range flag must be placed up when range is "HOT" and down when "COLD." There is a sign on pole to help members remember. Last shooter leaving the range must make sure range is left in the HOT condition. Confirm range is clear before going HOT.

7.4. Be courteous to other shooters while on the firing line. Work together on going "HOT" and "COLD" in order to go down range for any reason. If range is COLD then <u>All</u> actions must be open and chambers empty. No one can handle a firearm until range is clear and verified by all persons at the firing line before range goes "HOT."

The firing line is painted on the concrete behind the benches. Anyone forward of the painted firing line while the range is cold will have their membership revoked. Period no excuse are I forgot. Anyone can call Cease Fire at any time.

7.5. If at anytime you go prone with a sidearm in a holster you must clear it out before doing so. This prevents you from covering someone with a loaded sidearm that is up range from the firing line.

7.6. Remember rules 5.11 and 5.12 under "5.0 General Range Rules" about ammo restrictions.

7.7. Pick up and remove <u>all brass</u> on the concrete pads. This includes rimfire brass. Members that do not pickup their brass will receive a \$100.00 clean up invoice. This also includes putting cardboard in the trash cans instead of the burn barrels.

7.8. Pistol or shotgun shooting is <u>NOT</u> allowed on rifle ranges.

7.9. The sight in range is just that. It is not a blaster range. That is what the pistol ranges are for. Any member that is caught doing rapid fire of any semi auto rifle will have their membership revoked.

7.10.Remember rule 4.9 under 4.0 Guest Check In and Rules. Your Guest must have a general knowledge of their dope. If they are shooting rounds down range and guessing you must get them dialed in. No excuses, period. The 4" sight-in rule gives members and guests 36" of deviation at 550 yards. This insures all rounds impact the berms and keeps the range safe down range and surrounding areas. High impacts on berms must be avoided at all times.

1000 YARD RANGE

7.11. All members must have a 1000 yard range badge to shoot on the 1000.

Qualifications are held every few months. Any member on the 1000 yard range without a badge will have their membership revoked. Any member that has a badge for the 1000 understands the rules we discussed during the qualification and I expect them to be followed

8.0 Penalty for Violation of Rules

All members are responsible for reading and following all printed procedures and rules in this manual. No member is exempted. Any member not following any of the rules will be subject to a warning, range privileges being suspended or terminated without refund.

8.1. Warnings: I'm no longer giving warnings on safety issues that have be described above. It's every members responsibility to have common sense and take safety to the upmost priority.