



**STONEWALL RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB, INC.**  
**PISTOL RANGE**  
**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE & SAFETY RULES**

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1. The pistol range is open year around and is not closed during the various hunting seasons. The 50 yard berm is the primary backstop and targets shall be placed accordingly. Targets and portable target frames must be placed such that bullets impact inside the berm down from the very top where the berm is thin.
2. Use of the pistol range is limited to handguns, shotgun patterning, and to plain lead bullets, either cast or swaged, with or without gas checks, in rifles. This includes both smokeless and black powder propellants and both muzzle and breech loaded firearms. Jacketed bullets in conventional handgun cases fired in handguns are also allowed. Jacketed bullets in rifles (both smokeless and blackpowder) and jacketed bullets in bottleneck rifle cases fired in handguns are not allowed on the pistol range. These must be fired only on the rifle range. The patterning board must be used for shotgun patterning. The wooden target frames are too easily damaged if used for shotgun patterning.
3. All guns shall be holstered or open, unloaded, and on benches when targets are being tended.
4. Never shoot at or near stanchions, support pipes, or other equipment downrange or toward benches, building, or road. Targets shall not be placed directly on the target frame bases or directly on the target frames.
5. Place targets in such a way that you do not shoot the target frames. Place no objects on top of frames to shoot at as this will almost always result in damaged frames. If you damage a target frame, please repair it in consideration for the next person.
6. Targets of any type including the portable target frames shall not be placed closer than 25 yards from the benches on the firing line. Shooting at closer ranges must be done by moving closer to the targets, not by moving the targets closer to the existing pistol firing line. This is necessary in order to avoid endangering shooters on the number 2 trap field.
7. All speed shooting including action shooting, drawing and shooting from holsters, etc. must be done from areas in front of the concrete pad. All shooting of this type must also be done in such a manner that bullets impact inside the berm down from the very top where the berm is thin. Only slow, deliberate shooting is allowed from shooting positions on the concrete pad and under the roof. This is required to prevent damage to the concrete pad and building structure.
8. Do **not** place targets directly on the ground when using the pistol range. Bullets can ricochet off the hard ground / rocks endangering persons on the adjoining property or elsewhere on the range.
9. Cans, plastic jugs, etc. used as targets shall be cleaned up after each use. In addition to trashing the range, these can damage mowing equipment.
10. All targets fastened to the target boards and loose pieces of the target boards shall be removed and placed in the provided trash receptacles upon completion of shooting.
11. All target frames and bases shall be returned to their designated storage area upon completion of shooting. The current storage area is adjacent to the east side (toward the creek) of the trap target storage building. The shooting area from the front edge of the concrete pad to the 50 yard berm shall remain clear of all targets, trash, etc. except during the times the pistol range is in use.

12. Above all, NEVER SHOOT AT BOTTLES OR GLASS CONTAINERS!! Doing so is about the quickest way to lose your membership if you are seen engaging in this dangerous practice.
13. Use of the trap range must be coordinated with use of the pistol and rifle ranges such that trap shooting is stopped when targets are tended downrange on either the rifle or pistol ranges. Shooting on the pistol range must be stopped prior to tending the trap houses. It is the responsibility of any individual needing to go downrange to notify others to stop shooting as appropriate.
14. Eye and ear protection is recommended on the firing lines when in use. Since it is not feasible for the club's officers, directors, or shooting committee members to enforce this recommendation, this must be an individual responsibility. Each person shall indemnify from liability the club and any and all members for any eye or ear damage resulting from the failure to use the proper personal protective equipment. THIS IS A CONDITION OF MEMBERSHIP AND USE OF THE RANGE.
15. Consumption of alcoholic beverages on the premises is prohibited and is grounds for expulsion.