

HAT CREEK RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB, INC.

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RANGE RULES

A: All persons must have "Release and Hold Harmless" forms completed prior to using the range. **Members will have completed these forms with their membership application or the annual renewal form. Guests must complete the form each visit prior to using the range unless special exceptions exist such as State sanctioned matches. When these conditions exist, a single waiver will suffice for the duration of the event.**

B. Any violation of any Range Rule(s) that places Hat Creek Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc. and or its members in any form of physical, legal or financial jeopardy is grounds for immediate expulsion from the Club to include loss of any dues paid for that period in question.

1. The range will be closed to all shooting on days when the fire danger reaches "RED FLAG" status. The National Weather Service issues "Red Flag" warnings when conditions are ideal for wildland fire combustion and spread. The site for "Red Flag" warning is www.wrh.noaa.gov/map/. This site has a detailed zoomable map that shows exactly where the RFW is located. Click the area that is designated, a small box appears that gives brief details about the RFW. If you click "Red Flag Warning" inside the box, it gives a detailed description of the RFW. **HCRP is located in California Fire Weather Zone 214 and its elevation is approximately 2800 feet.**

2. No alcohol or controlled substances may be consumed at any time while on the range property.

3. Eye and Hearing protection must be worn on the firing line when shooting is taking place.

4. Each range is provided with a flagpole with an attached metal box containing a red flag. The flag must be hoisted when the range is in use, and flag replaced within the storage box when the range is no longer in use.

5. High Power cartridges **may not** be fired on the pistol range. Pistol cartridge rifles .44 Magnum and smaller may be used.

6. Always keep the muzzle of your firearms pointed **straight up with the action open and unloaded** when not actually on the firing line. Do not handle your firearms on or near the firing line when anyone is downrange. Any necessary handling, repair or adjustment must be done well behind the firing line with the action open, an Empty Chamber Indicator in place and with the firearm pointed in a safe direction. Remember Jeff Cooper's Four Rules of Gun Safety:

RULE I: ALL GUNS ARE ALWAYS LOADED

RULE II: NEVER LET THE MUZZLE COVER ANYTHING YOU ARE NOT WILLING TO DESTROY

RULE III: KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL YOUR SIGHTS ARE ON THE TARGET

RULE IV: BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET

7. When going downrange to post or pull targets, leave someone on the firing line to make sure others know you are downrange. If you are alone, put out the "RANGE CLOSED" sign before going downrange. The person going forward to post or pull targets is responsible for ensuring that the firing line is safe before going downrange. Remove all firearms from the line and place them in the racks. In cases where this is impractical, they must be unloaded, magazines removed and Empty Chamber Indicator inserted, or bolts removed. Handguns must be unloaded, with magazine removed, cylinders open, or slides locked back and an Empty Chamber Indicator inserted. No one may remain on the firing line forward of the yellow safety line when people are downrange. **When you have finished shooting and are removing your targets, check the surrounding area for any sign of smoldering or burning undergrowth.** If you smell smoke, determine the location and if possible, extinguish any burning matter. If in question, call 911 immediately and report the incident.

8. The discharge of a firearm on a range where the "RANGE CLOSED" sign is displayed is absolutely prohibited at any time. The shooter or Range Officer responsible for displaying the sign must ensure the range is safe when removing the sign. The "RANGE CLOSED" sign must **not** be left out if no one is downrange.

9. Besides being illegal, the use or possession of tracer or incendiary ammunition is expressly prohibited at the range, as is the use of any ammunition having a steel jacket or steel core projectile. Monometallic bullets such as all copper, may be fired at paper targets only. Do not use them on steel targets. If any of your ammunition causes damage to the metal targets or stands STOP USING IT.

10. All targets should be placed in such a manner that all shots impact a berm. Never use glass containers as targets. Clay pigeons are not to be used anywhere on the range. Do not shoot eggs, aerosol cans, or anything you are not willing to clean up afterward. No exploding targets!

11. The gate must be locked upon entering or leaving the range. The gate will remain open for any scheduled events. Lock the padlock onto the chain if the gate is to remain open. The gate lock combination is not to be given to any non-member. Doing so will be grounds for dismissal from the club.

12. All children must be under the direct supervision of an adult at all times. If they are near the firing line, they must use eye and ear protection.

13. All pets must be under direct control of their owners at all times. Keep in mind there is a leash law in Shasta County.

14. **NO OPEN FIRES ARE ALLOWED AT ANY TIME!!** Cooking or BBQ fires must be contained within a proper fire-safe container. If you use the range BBQ facility, use charcoal briquettes only- **NO WOOD.**

15. Do not throw trash into the portable toilets.

16. Overnight camping on the range facility is allowed for scheduled events or as authorized by the Board of Directors. All camping sites will be on the South side of the Pistol Range, West of the storage container. Keep your camp site clean and orderly.

17. Scheduled events, including range use pre-approved by the Board of Directors, will take priority over individual member's access or use of the range. Members are expected to check the schedule posted on the web-site www.hcrpclub.org to determine if any events are scheduled on that day you wish to use the range.

18. Each member may bring his/her spouse, children or an occasional guest to use the range facility. It is the responsibility of the member to monitor their guest(s) at all times to ensure that their activity is in full accordance with the range rules. Members shall be held responsible for any actions by their guest that places the Club in physical or financial jeopardy.

19. Groups utilizing the facility are responsible for taking all their trash with them when they leave. You bring it in – you take it out.

20. The Range operating hours are from ½ hour before sunrise until ½ hour after sunset. There is **NO** night shooting. The only exception to this rule is when Law Enforcement has made special arrangements with the Board of Directors to conduct specialized training,

21. Shasta County has determined that all expended shell casings are considered Hazardous Waste and as such they must be disposed of in accordance with State Law. Expended shell cases must be either retrieved for reloading or placed in one of the five-gallon buckets on each range which will be recycled appropriately. Expended casings should **NOT** be disposed of in a land fill.

22. No AR-15 or AK-47 type firearm may be brought onto the range unless they meet California Compliant Regulations. Non-California Compliant firearms of these types are considered Assault Weapons under California law and may not be possessed unless registered with the California Dept. of Justice as an assault weapon. If you possess an "unregistered" assault firearm you may be charged with a felony or misdemeanor.

Hat Creek Rifle & Pistol Club, Inc. reserves the right to refuse access or remove any person(s) for any action that might result in a safety violation or hazard, or damage to the range facility, or if they become loud or disruptive, or commit any act or omission that is contrary to established criteria for the safe operation of a shooting range.

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