

RANGE STANDING ORDERS FOR THE OTAGO PISTOL CLUB Inc.

Waldronville Range



Range Standing Orders are written to ensure all Club Members and Users are aware of the conditions that apply to these ranges.

SAFETY MUST be your prime consideration when using the Otago Pistol Club's Ranges

All persons not involved in the match being shot are to remain at least 1-metre behind the shooting line or starting position (except for training or instruction purposes) and must remain quiet so as not to interfere with the giving of instructions by any Range Officer (RO).

1: Introduction

- a) This document has been raised pursuant to the requirements of Range Approval as vested in the Commissioner of Police and delegated by him to appointed Range Inspecting Officers of Pistol NZ.
- b) These orders are applicable to **ALL PERSONS** who enter the property administered by the Otago Pistol Club. These orders are to be promulgated to all Otago Pistol Club members and all other user organizations. A copy of these Range Standing orders must be displayed on the Club Notice Board.
- c) Every person who enters the Otago Pistol Club complex is to sign the register upon arrival. Visitors are to be directed to where copies of these Range Standing Orders are available to be read.

2: General

The Otago Pistol Club Inc is responsible for the control and maintenance of the Otago Pistol Club Ranges. All users of the range are to read these Orders in conjunction with the above references.

THE ARMS ACT 1983 AND SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS

All persons are subject to The Arms Act 1983 and its subsequent amendments.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

These orders are to be complied with in conjunction with the rules and regulations contained in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Commissioner of Police and the Pistol New Zealand.

INDIVIDUAL DISCIPLINE SAFETY RULES

These Orders are to be complied with in conjunction with existing rules pertaining to the individual shooting disciplines.

HEALTH AND SAFETY ACT 1992

All Persons entering the premises and property of the Otago Pistol Club Inc must comply with all relevant safety regulations of the Health and Safety Act 1992 and any subsequent Amendments.

RESPONSIBILITY

The Otago Pistol Club Inc. exists for the Administration, Allocation, Safety and Maintenance of the Ranges. Individuals using the range are directly responsible for their own actions.

3: Range Safety.

- Safety on the range is the responsibility of **ALL** range users.
- The range officer is responsible for ensuring that the range is safe prior to use.
- That the bullet catchers are in good repair.
- That the targets to be used are approved for use on the range.
- Ammunition restrictions are adhered to.
- That there is no conflicting/other activity in the area.
- That all range users wear hearing and eye protection.
- That ALL range restrictions listed herein are adhered to.

4: Location

The Range complex is situated on Brighton Road, Waldronville Dunedin.

The range complex is located at NZ Topo 50 map CD 17 Dunedin.

NZTM Topo 50 grid reference is E1397819 N4910681

The complex comprises of **Five** standard outdoor **Limited Danger Area** ranges.

Range A. 25x9 metre, Outdoor, Limited Danger Area Range.

Range B. 50x20 metre outdoor Limited Danger Area Range.

Range C. 25x10 metre, Outdoor, Limited Danger Area Range.

Range D. 25x10 metre, Outdoor, Limited Danger Area Range.

Range E. 25x40 metre, Outdoor, Limited Danger Area Range.

5: Restrictions.

The Ranges are restricted to the following.

Approved Pistols, approved Pistol Carbines, Rifles and Shotguns on approved ranges;

Range A. All approved Pistols and pistol carbines, Shotguns up to 12g.
All approved Pistol NZ Targets,
All targets are to be placed at the 25-metre bullet catcher or movable bullet catchers are to be used.
Cross range shooting to the **left** and **right**, only with approved movable bullet catchers or targets placed against berms, Targets height to be at 1.2 metre centres or moveable bullet catchers or placement against berms are to be used.
Steel targets are to have an approved system to capture all ricochets and splatter.

Range B. All approved Pistols, Pistol Carbines, Rifles up to 7.62 x 39, (223,762x39) Shotguns up to 12g (see Important Notes below)
40mm Inert Training Rounds (NZ Police Only)
All targets placed at the 50-metre target line are to be at 1.2 metre Centre's.
All approved Pistol NZ Targets
All approved NZ Police Targets
Cross range shooting to the left and right only with approved, movable bullet catchers or targets placed against berms.
Steel targets are to have an approved system to capture all ricochets and splatter.

Range B. Additional Rifle Specific.

Steel targets to be engaged by rifles at a distance of 50m ONLY.
Rifle paper targets may only be placed forward of the 25m mark (unless in a club approved competition).
Cross range rifle shooting permitted only in the area between the 25m mark and the end of range and with paper targets and into approved bullet traps only

Range C. All approved Pistols and pistol carbines, Shotguns up to 12g.
All approved Pistol NZ Targets,
All targets are to be placed at the 25-metre bullet catcher or movable bullet catchers are to be used.
Cross range shooting only to the **left** with approved, movable bullet catchers or targets placed against berm,
Targets height to be at 1.2 metre centres or movable bullet catchers or targets placed against berm, are to be used.
Steel targets are to have an approved system to capture all ricochets and splatter.

Range D. All approved Pistols and pistol carbines, Shotguns up to 12g.
All approved Pistol NZ Targets,
Down range shooting only.
All targets are to be placed at the 25-metre bullet catcher or
movable bullet catchers are to be used.
Targets to be at 1.2 metre centres or movable bullet catchers are to be
used.
Steel targets are to have an approved system to capture all ricochets
and splatter.

Range E. All approved Pistols and pistol carbines, Shotguns up to 12g.
All approved Pistol NZ Targets,
Down range shooting only.
All targets are to be placed at the 25-metre bullet catcher, or
placed against berms, or movable bullet catchers are to be
used.
Targets to be at 1.2 metre centres or movable bullet catchers or
placement against berms are to be used.
Steel targets are to have an approved system to capture all ricochets
and splatter

Important Notes:

All range users are to ensure that in the interest of safety, targets are placed as close as possible to the backstop/berm/bullet catcher in an effort to reduce the possibility of ricochets.

No targets are to be placed directly on the floor of the range at any distance unless they have a moveable bullet catcher directly behind them.

The standard target height to be at 1.2 metre centres.

Use of centre fire rifles on Range B is permitted **only after** a club member has completed and passed the approved OPC IPSC Rifle Certification course.

6: INDIVIDUAL RANGES

- a) Restrictions or Orders pertaining to any individual range are to be displayed on that range and in the Clubrooms
- b) Access to the individual ranges is to be made only by designated pathways and entrances
- c) If shooting under cover on Range B, the end gate to Range A must be closed (which will then make it only operable from Range B)

7: SAFETY ZONES

Safety Zones are to be designated for the handling or display of firearms and a safe direction must be marked if this is to be used for the taking of sight pictures

Live ammunition is NOT ALLOWED to be handled in the Safety Zone

8: DANGER WARNING FLAGS

The RED FLAG must be raised prior to and during ANY FIRING ON ANY RANGE within the Otago Pistol Club Property. .

9: PERMANENT WARNING SIGNS

Permanent warning signs indicating the potential for shooting activities at any time, are to be placed at the following locations

- a) At the padlocked entrance to the Otago Pistol Club grounds
- b) On the level ground at the beginning and berm of Range A
- b) In the sand hills behind the berms
- d) On the southern border of range E

Permanent warning signs prohibiting any unauthorised shooting are to be placed at the following locations

- a) At the padlocked entrance to the Otago Pistol Club grounds
- b) On the level ground at the beginning of Range A, adjacent the driveway

10: FIREARMS

Firearms are:

- **NOT** TO BE HANDLED IN THE CLUB HOUSE
 - **NOT** TO BE LEFT UNATTENDED (INCLUDING WHEN *GOING FORWARD* TO SCORE AND PATCH)
 - **NOT** TO BE TOUCHED WITHOUT THE OWNERS CONSENT
 - **ONLY** TO BE HANDLED WITHIN DESIGNATED SAFETY ZONES OR WHILE UNDER THE CONTROL OF A QUALIFIED RANGE OFFICER
 - **NOT** TO BE LENT TO ANOTHER PERSON UNLESS THE OWNER OR CHIEF ARMOURER IS PRESENT AT ALL TIMES
 - **NOT** TO BE HANDLED, MOVED BETWEEN RANGES OR FIRED BY AN UNLICENSED PERSON UNLESS UNDER THE DIRECT (ONE-ON-ONE) SUPERVISION OF AN ENDORSED LICENSE HOLDER
 - **NOT** TO BE LOADED AT ANY TIME UNLESS UNDER THE CONTROL OF A RANGE OFFICER ON AN APPROVED RANGE
 - **NOT** TO BE HANDLED WHILE PEOPLE ARE FORWARD OF THE FIRING LINE
 - **NOT** TO BE PLACED **LOADED** IN A HOLSTER UNLESS THE FIRER IS HOLSTER QUALIFIED
 - **NOT** TO BE LEFT UNATTENDED IN YOUR LOCKED VEHICLE IF IT IS PARKED IN THE UPPER PARKING AREA.
 - **MUST** ARRIVE AND LEAVE THE RANGE IN AN APPROPRIATELY SECURE CONTAINER IN WHICH THERE IS NO AMMUNITION
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- **NOT** TO BE POINTED ANYWHERE ABOVE THE BERM WHILE TAKING AIM, LOADING, RELOADING, OR CLEARING A MALFUNCTION. SUCH ACTIONS MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE DAYS EVENT OR THE MATCH.
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11: FIREARMS RESTRICTIONS

The following firearms must not be used on any of the Otago Pistol Club Waldronville ranges:

- Firearms that are illegal or have had alterations or modifications made to them that make them illegal or unsafe
- Firearms that are held against a C endorsement.
- Rifles greater than .22LR calibre rimfire unless the range being used has been certified for the use of the calibre to be fired.
- A special bench rest area on the right hand side of Range B, may be used to *sight in* any rifles up to 8mm, (Sitting at the bench rest and only closing the action when the rifle is pointed at the target) using appropriate techniques and an appropriate target. It may not be used to *sight in* any other rifle unless it fits the criteria above.

12: Priority of Use.

The following is the order of priority for the use of the Otago Pistol Club range.

No other individual may use the range, unless one they are of the following.

- I. Otago Pistol Club Members.
- II. Visitors involved in Club sanctioned events
- III. Visitors accompanied by an Otago Pistol Club Member.
- IV. Others given permission by the Otago Pistol Club President / Committee.

13: AMMUNITION RESTRICTIONS

Tracer, incendiary or armour piercing ammunition **MUST NOT** be used on any Ranges administered by the Otago Pistol Club.

14: Inability to Contain Shots within Cone of Fire.

If for any reason any shots fired fall outside the Cone of Fire the following procedure is to occur. **The Range Officer is to:**

- a) Halt all firing and identify the shooter responsible.
- b) Observe that shooters next shot and if it falls within the Cone of Fire allow that shooter to continue firing.
- c) If the observed shot does not fall within the Cone of Fire, the shooter is to be provided with a suitable coach with the intention of bringing the spread of the next five shots to within the Cone of Fire.
- c) Shooters who are unable to achieve the Cone of Fire within the five shots are to be prevented from further firing. Shooters prevented from firing in this way may resume firing following the completion of a club approved training program with the firearm.

- d) Cone of Fire;
The CoF for Pistol on this range this range is 1.3 degrees.
At 10-metres = radius 224mm.
At 25-metres = radius 567mm.
At 50-metres = radius 1134mm.
- e) The CoF for rifle on this range is 1.125 degrees.
At 10-metres = radius 196mm
At 25-metres = radius 491mm
At 50-metres = radius 981mm

NZ Police use of range “B” 50-metre range, the following Cone of Fire applies.

- a) The CoF for NZ **Police rifle** on this range is 1.125 degrees.
At 10-metres = radius 196mm
At 25-metres = radius 491mm
At 35-metres = radius 687mm
At 50-metres = radius 981mm
- b) The CoF for NZ **Police Pistol** on this range is 4.87 degrees.
At 5-metres = radius 426mm
At 10-metres = radius 852mm
At 15-metres = radius 1277mm

15: RANGE ATTENDANCE BOOK

A range attendance book must be kept in the Clubrooms and ALL persons entering on to the Otago Pistol Club Property MUST sign the attendance book whether they are a member or a visitor. This is to be done prior to any shooting commencing

16: RANGE CONTROL

- Every person who enters the range whether a member or a visitor places him/her self under the control of the range officer or his assistants and must at all times comply with their lawful directions, instructions and these Rules of safety and conduct
- No person shall refuse to obey any lawful instructions from the range officer or any other official in the proper conduct of the affairs of his office
- ALL Visitors to the Club MUST be introduced to the President, Secretary or a Committee Member
- All Visitors with, and existing Members that develop, any impairment (e.g. hearing difficulties) or a medical conditions that may make them unexpectedly unwell (e.g. angina, diabetes), MUST inform the Range Officer of the day so that they are aware of the extra precautions and/or actions they may have to undertake.
- Range Officer's conducting ISSF Matches MUST NOT participate in the Match, but oversee the proper and safe conduct of the Match.

17: IDENTIFICATION

Members with Range Officer Qualifications and Holster Qualifications should wear their ID badges at all times so as to identify their qualifications to others.

18: CHILDREN

Children visiting the range are to be under the supervision of an adult at all times

19: PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES

Alcohol is not to be consumed prior to or while shooting is still in progress

Anyone that is suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or other prohibited substance will be told to stop shooting and may be asked to leave the range.

The Otago Pistol Club abides by the aims and procedures of SPARC

20: EYE AND HEARING PROTECTION

Hearing protection must be worn by ALL members and visitors to the club in all areas of the range with the exception of the club house and car park.

Eye protection must be worn by ALL members and visitors to the club on all ranges where muzzle loading/black powder, IPSC courses or steel targets are used.

21: STEEL PLATE TARGETS.

Only approved and certified steel plate targets may be used.

- All steel plate targets must be approved by the Club Safety Officer prior to use.
- All steel plate targets to be provided with an approved system to control ricochets and splatter.
- Steel targets to be engaged at a minimum distance of 7 metres for pistol 50 metres for Centre fire rifle.

22: AIR DANGER HEIGHT

All shooting must be halted if any aircraft is observed flying forward of the firing line and deemed to be below 300 metres (1000 ft)

23: FIRST AID KITS

An appropriate and serviceable First Aid Kit is to be kept in the Clubrooms at all times

24: MEDICAL

- The Otago Pistol Club will endeavour to take whatever steps it can to provide Emergency Communication systems and have readily available location (co-ordinate) information.
- All other user organisations are to be responsible for providing their own medical procedures
- Members and Visitors: please take note of Order #16 (Range Control)

25: FIRE PREVENTION

All local by-laws and fire restrictions are to be observed and the appropriate permits obtained prior to the lighting of fires or bar-b-ques. The Otago Pistol Club will maintain a set of Fire Extinguishers on site.

26: UNAUTHORISED SHOOTERS

In the event of a person or persons with firearms being found on the range the following action is to be taken:

- a) Prior to having discussions to establish their intent, you are to ensure that any firearm you may have, is unloaded and secured in its appropriate carry case.
- b) If non co-operation or aggressive behaviour is displayed by a suspected unauthorised shooter, withdraw, noting all the relevant details and call the Police.
DO NOT ATTEMPT TO DEAL WITH THIS SITUATION YOURSELF.

27: REPORTING OF ACCIDENTS ON THE RANGE

ALL accidents involving firearms must be reported as soon as practical to:

- a) The Police
- b) Club President
- c) Pistol New Zealand
- d) Chief Range Officer

All other incidents or accidents are to be reported as soon as practical to the Committee for consideration under Health & Safety requirements

28: PRESS RELEASES & GENERAL STATEMENTS TO OTHERS

Press Releases will ONLY be made through the Club President. Members should be mindful of Statutes and hearsay, when passing comments or making statements to Others, about any Club incident.

29: Alterations to these rules

Any amendments made and approved by the Otago Pistol Club Committee shall once approved by the Pistol NZ Range Development Committee, be promulgated on the Club notice board and forwarded to all users named on the distribution list.

30: Distribution List.

- All Club Members.
- Posted on Club Notice Board.
- Pistol NZ.
- District Arms Officer, NZ Police.

President
Otago Pistol Club Inc.