

Everyone 18 years of age and over must read and sign these rules in order to use the range.

Sidney Shooting Park

Range Rules

In consideration of being allowed to enter or use the facilities, including, but not limited to the shooting ranges, (all of which are hereinafter referred to as the “Facilities”) and participate in the activities of the Sidney Shooting Park located at Sidney, NE 69162 (“SSP”), I hereby agree to each of the following terms and conditions of this Agreement, and my signature below certifies that each has been read and agreed to by me:

1. I have read these Range Rules, a copy of which have been given to me by SSP. I understand these Range Rules may be amended from time to time and that I am responsible for reviewing the posted Range Rules each time I use the Facilities. I agree to obey and comply with the Range Rules, general policies and rules of operation and administration of SSP.
2. I am familiar with and understand the operation of each firearm which I will use at the Facilities. The word “operation” includes the safe handling, loading and unloading procedures, and safety mechanisms and features of each firearm.
3. I understand that SSP highly recommends the use of newly-manufactured commercial ammunition at all times at the Facilities. I accept full and complete responsibility for the inherent risks resulting from my and/or anyone else’s use of reloads or hand loads, including all responsibility for property damage and/or personal injuries to myself and anyone else. **I also agree to thoroughly check to be sure I am using the correct ammunition at all times.**
4. SSP Members will be issued a membership card. Users **MUST** have the range membership card on their person when using the Facilities and show it upon request.

General Safety Rules

1. Always treat every firearm as if it were loaded.
2. Always keep the firearm pointed in a safe direction. Do not point the firearm at anything you do not intend to destroy or kill.
3. Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
4. Guns must be **unloaded and actions open** when **OFF** the firing line.
5. On the firing line, always keep the gun unloaded until ready to shoot.
6. **NO tracer, incendiary or armor-piercing ammunition or explosive targets are allowed.**
7. Children under 18 years of age must be supervised at all times by a responsible adult SSP Member 21 years of age or older.
8. No one consuming alcohol or impaired by alcohol, drugs or medication, prescribed or otherwise, is permitted to use the shooting ranges.
9. No smoking is allowed at any shooting stations.
10. Shooters are responsible for any projectiles that leave the range.

11. Eye and ear protection are required on the firing line.
12. The Facilities are for use by Members, their guests, and paid daily-use persons only, except for events open to the general public. Members are responsible for their guest's actions.
13. It's your shooting complex! Help keep it clean; clean up after yourself and others. Pick up all trash, hulls and/or casings.
14. It is incumbent upon any Member, guest, bystander, etc., who witnesses unsafe firearm handling to address it immediately. Any person at the Facilities has the authority to immediately correct threats to the safety of participants and bystanders. Continued availability of the Facilities depends on their safe operation.

Handgun Range Rules

1. When more than one person is on the range, those present are to appoint a Range Safety Officer (RSO) to give range commands. When calling for a "cease fire", the RSO will verify this with all shooters and also confirm that all firearms are unloaded before anyone goes downrange. The RSO will verify no one is downrange before the "commence fire" command is given.
2. No guns on the firing line are to be handled when people are downrange. The action must remain open until the "commence fire" command is given by the RSO.
3. No cross shooting. Your bench must be in line with your target.
4. Do not move guns from station to station. Move shooters, not guns.
5. Only one shooter at each station at a time. Only one non-shooter is allowed.
6. On the handgun range, firearms must be shot from the firing line and nowhere else.
7. To further enhance safety, the handgun range will not be available for use when trapshooting events that require the use of traps #1, #2 or #3 are being held. These events are primarily ATA-registered trap shoots, trap league, the Jim Pohl Memorial Youth Shoot, and Sidney Sharpshooter 4H trap practices.

Targets

1. SSP will provide a variety of targets acceptable for use on the handgun range, other than paper targets. Members may utilize the existing target stands for hanging their paper targets. Full-metal jacketed ammunition may be fired at the metal targets. **NO OTHER TARGETS ARE ALLOWED.** This includes self-healing ground-bouncing targets and items not originally designed to be used as targets (i.e. bottles, computers, TV's, bowling pins, aluminum or tin cans, etc.).
2. Shooting at the ground at any place is prohibited.
3. NO drawing from a holster. No holsters on your person unless you are a sworn peace officer, a concealed carry permit holder or armed security with prior approval of a member of the Board of Directors, or under the supervision of an instructor allowed to teach at the range. Credentials may be checked.

4. **NO SHOTGUNS ON THE PISTOL RANGE.** There is a patterning board to the west of the trap range you may use to pattern your shotgun. Black spray paint is available in the office of the clubhouse for use on the patterning board.
5. Firing a shot that results in damage to any range equipment may result in a repair fine and/or disciplinary action up to and including removal of the shooter from the range.

Firearms Permitted at the Handgun Range

1. **HANDGUNS** - Standard semi-automatic pistols and revolvers firing only standard or high-velocity ammo are permitted.
2. **ABSOLUTELY NO FULL-AUTOMATIC FIRE OF ANY KIND IS PERMITTED WITHOUT PERMISSION OF A BOARD MEMBER. NO BUMP STOCKS.**
3. **RIFLES AND CARBINES** - No centerfire rifles of any kind and no rifles other than standard .22 cal. rifles (NO Magnums). Pistol caliber carbines (17 inch barrel max) are allowed using standard loads – NO +P loads. Pistol caliber carbines are those that shoot 9 mm, .40, .45, etc. **NO AR OR AK PISTOLS CHAMBERED IN RIFLE CALIBERS SUCH AS .223, 5.56mm, 7.62, OR .308.**

VIOLATION OF THESE RANGE RULES MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION UP TO AND INCLUDING: 1) IMMEDIATE REMOVAL OF THE VIOLATOR FROM THE RANGE, 2) TERMINATION OF THE MEMBER'S MEMBERSHIP PRIVILEGES, OR 3) A LIFETIME BAN OF THE VIOLATOR FROM THE FACILITIES AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

In all instances not covered by established safety rules, the decision and direction of the SSP Board will be final.

Separate at the dotted line below and give the bottom, signed portion to the club for their records.

With my signature below, I agree to obey and comply with the Range Rules, general policies, and rules of operation and administration of SSP.

1) Signature: _____

2) Print Name Clearly: _____

3) Phone: _____

4) Email: _____

5) Date: _____

6) Emergency Contact Name and Phone #: _____
