

# Range Rules for Gate City Sport Shooting Association Oregon Trail Shooting Range

## THE SECOND AMENDMENT IS A RIGHT RANGE MEMBERSHIP IS A PRIVILEGE SAFETY IS A REQUIREMENT COURTESY IS AN EXPECTATION

1. SAFETY is rule ONE.
2. Shooters are required to sign in prior to shooting. There are sign in stations at each individual shooting bay and (3) on the Main Firing Line. Non-member shooters (guests) must be accompanied by a member and must pay a \$3 per day Guest Fee.
3. Scheduled events have priority for use of shooting bays or the main firing line. Scheduled events are posted online at the GCSSA website [www.gatecityssa.org/calendar.html](http://www.gatecityssa.org/calendar.html).
4. Anyone under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
5. Obey the posted safety rules, the designated Range Officer's commands, and use common sense.
6. Remain behind the firing line if not shooting. Exception is one coach per shooter.
7. Eye and ear protection must be worn by everyone on the firing line or within 20 feet of the firing line.
8. Keep firearm actions open, or use a chamber flag when not shooting.
9. Firearm muzzles will be pointed down range or up (vertically) at all times when on the firing line.
10. Firearm actions must be open or flagged, and muzzle pointed in a safe direction when not on the firing line. Use of gun racks behind the firing lines is encouraged.
11. NO ONE is allowed in the down range/danger zone forward of the firing line except when a cease fire is called and all shooters on the firing line acknowledge a 'cold range'.
12. No handling of firearms is allowed when a cease fire is called. If remaining on the shooting line, step away from any firearms.
13. Use of armor piercing and/or tracer ammunition is not allowed.
14. Exploding targets are prohibited.
15. Use only targets provided by or approved by the Association. Glass targets or objects made of glass used as a target are prohibited.
16. On the main firing line, all targets must be placed immediately in front of berms.
17. Member owned steel targets may be used at the range if the following criteria are met:
  - Steel targets must be made of steel that is of an appropriate hardness and thickness for the application, and must be free of dents or pitting that could direct fragments back toward the shooter and/or bystanders
  - Steel targets must be angled so that bullet fragments will not be directed in unsafe directions
  - No ammunition with steel components in the projectile may be fired at steel targets, including steel core, steel jacketed, or steel shot
  - Steel targets must be placed at a safe distance as determined by the target manufacturer
  - If the manufacturer has not recommended safe distances, see the GCSSA website for guidelines
  - Both shooters and bystanders should wear wraparound style, impact rated eye protection when steel targets are in use.
18. No hunting or shooting at wildlife (rattlesnakes excluded) is allowed within the range boundaries. This includes the land due east of the main firing line.
19. Alcohol is not permitted on the range except for pre-approved activities such as picnics and/or barbecues when the range is not in use and/or has been closed by a Range Officer.
20. Place all trash in the trash receptacles. Shooters are responsible for picking up shotgun hulls and all items used as targets and disposing of them. All targets and target stands are to be returned to their storage areas after use.
21. Failure to comply with the Range Rules or Range Officer commands may result in the loss of shooting privileges and fees paid.
22. Intentional damage to range property will result in loss of shooting privileges, fees paid, and may result in criminal prosecution if deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors. This includes intentionally shooting at 2x4 target bases or intentionally trying to damage or destroy OSB target backers or their supports.
23. Shotgun use on OSB backing boards and cardboard target backers on 1x2 legs is prohibited. These are not intended to be used for, or as shotgun targets and will be destroyed with only a few rounds.
24. Failure to obey the Range Officer's order to leave the range premises will result in criminal prosecution.
25. Shooting hours begin ½ hour before sunrise and end ½ hour after sunset. Night shooting is prohibited unless approved specifically by the Board of Directors as part of a sanctioned event.
26. The GCSSA bylaws are available for your review on the GCSSA website at [www.gatecityssa.org](http://www.gatecityssa.org) GCSSA also has a Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/GateCitySSA](http://www.facebook.com/GateCitySSA)