

SOUTHPORT MASTERS

Southport Gun Club, Inc.
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RANGE OPERATIONS AND SAFETY SEMINAR

BASIC SAFETY RULES

1. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
2. Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
3. Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.

RANGE RESTRICTIONS

Only .22 cal. rimfire rifles and .22 cal. rimfire, 25, .32, .380, 38 spcl, 38 Super, 9mm, 40 S&W, 44 spcl, and 45 caliber handguns may be fired on this range. Loads are limited to 450 ft/lbs muzzle energy. 10mm, 357 Sig, Casull, all magnum ammo, and any armor piercing, tracer or explosive bullets, are prohibited. Firing fully automatic firearms is forbidden. No shot guns, slugs or shot loads of any caliber are permitted. BB and .177 cal. air guns may be fired only when using an appropriate trap or with the plywood backslash panels in the open position.

1. Personal protection weapons worn into the range must remain holstered or concealed at all times.
2. Other firearms moving into and out of the range must be fully cased and unloaded with magazines removed.
3. Uncased firearms must be unloaded with magazines removed, and slides locked back or cylinders open. Use of orange ECI's (empty chamber indicators) is required on the range.
4. Firearms may only be loaded at the command of the Range Safety Officer.
5. No handling of firearms or standing at the firing line where firearms are present while others are downrange.
6. All shooters and spectators must wear eye and ear protection.
7. All shots must be purposely aimed at a properly placed paper target fired from behind the yellow line. (No human silhouette targets allowed).

No "quick draw," "spray and pray" or "shooting from the hip."



8. NO ALCOHOL IS PERMITTED WHEN GUNS ARE PRESENT.

9. Member open access is preempted during scheduled competitions, leagues, training or maintenance activities.



EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

1. **DIAL 911**
2. Administer basic first aid. (Kit near washrooms).
3. Follow instructions of local authorities.
4. Call club officers. (Phone numbers posted near phone in Storage Area)
5. Everyone present must fill out an Incident Report. (Forms are located in the document file on the entry table).

Telephone and
Emergency Contact List
in Storage Area



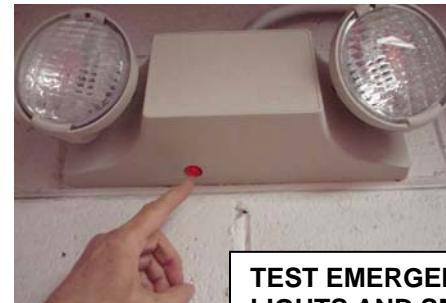
RANGE OPERATIONS

1. It is the responsibility of all shooters to:
 - Be sure the firearm is in safe operating condition.
 - Use only the correct ammunition for the firearm and range.
 - Know how to identify a firearm or ammunition malfunction.
 - Know how to clear a stoppage and safely unload a loaded firearm.
 - Know and obey all range rules.
 - Know where others are at all times.
 - Immediately follow the commands of the Range Safety Officer.
2. It is the responsibility of any member present to:
 - Assume and administer the duties of Range Safety Officer if no other member is in service.
 - Insure that all shooters know and understand all range rules.
 - Administer Release and Indemnifications forms for shooters, guests and spectators.
 - Facilitate Specific Range Operations (as below).

SPECIFIC RANGE OPERATIONS

Safety Concerns

- Emergency procedures reviewed and checked.
- Telephone functional. (Located in Storage Area)
- Emergency phone numbers posted.
- First Aid Kit available. (Located outside Washrooms)
- Fire extinguishers present.
- Emergency lighting is operable.
- Smoke detectors operable.
- Review Range Restrictions and Standard Range Commands (see next page).
- Insure use of orange ECI's (empty chamber indicators).
- Verify correct caliber of ammunition.
- Verify proper eye and ear protection.



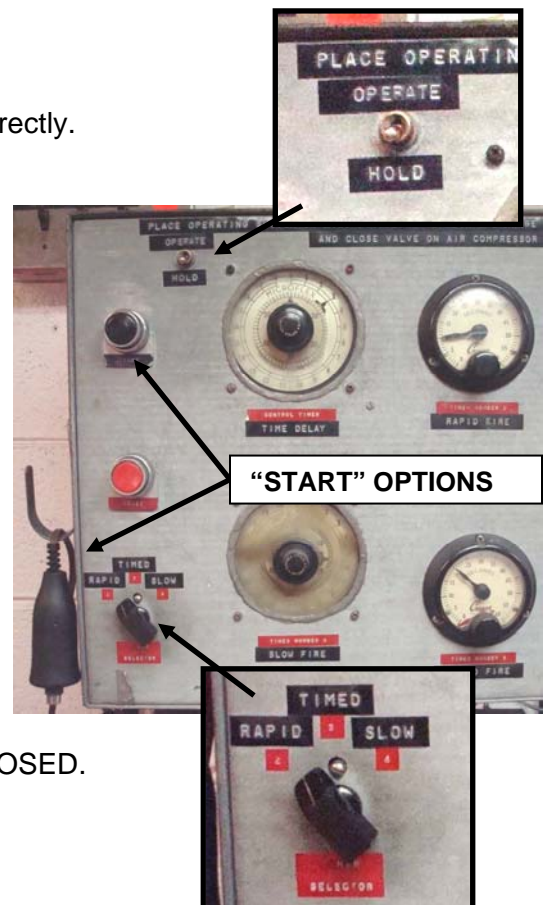
**TEST EMERGENCY
LIGHTS AND SMOKE
DETECTORS.**

Opening the Range, insure:

- Training, Storage, Washrooms and Range lighting is set correctly.
- Impact area functional and free of personnel.
- Air-Flow system turned ON and working correctly.
- Target Turning System Air compressor in ladies room turned ON, valve OPEN and functional.
- Target turning system operational.
(Check 'Range Commander' operation if used).
- Target holders functional and turning properly.

Closing the Range, insure:

1. Range Room
 - Spent brass picked up and placed in brass barrel.
 - Used targets properly stored or in waste basket.
 - Range lights turned OFF.
 - Inside doors CLOSED.
2. Training, Storage and Washrooms
 - All maintenance deficiencies reported in logbook.
 - Area picked up, trash in wastebasket.
 - Furnace set to 60 degrees.
 - Air compressor in ladies room turned OFF and valve CLOSED.
 - Lights turned OFF.
 - All doors CLOSED and LOCKED.



"START" OPTIONS

Pistol Exercise Cadence:

Call shooters to the firing line and recite the following commands:

"This is a 'Slow' or 'Timed' or 'Rapid' fire exercise."

"Ten rounds in ten minutes" or "Five Rounds in '20' or '10' seconds"

"With five rounds, load."

(If slow fire, then add ***"Reload at your own discretion."***)

"Is the firing line ready?" [wait three seconds]

"The firing line is ready." [wait three seconds]

"Ready on the right." [wait three seconds]

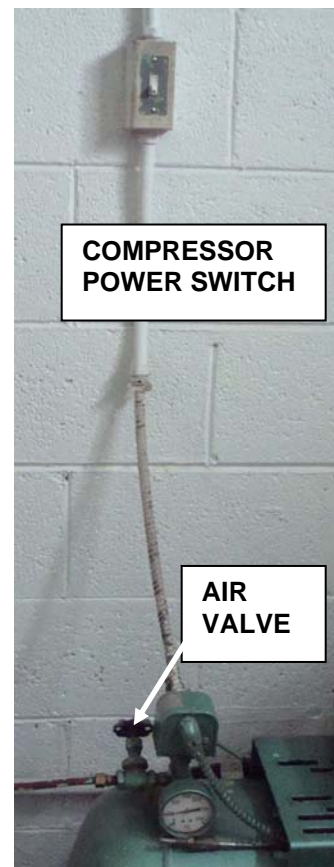
"Ready on the left." [wait three seconds]

"Ready on the firing line." [push START at the word "line."]

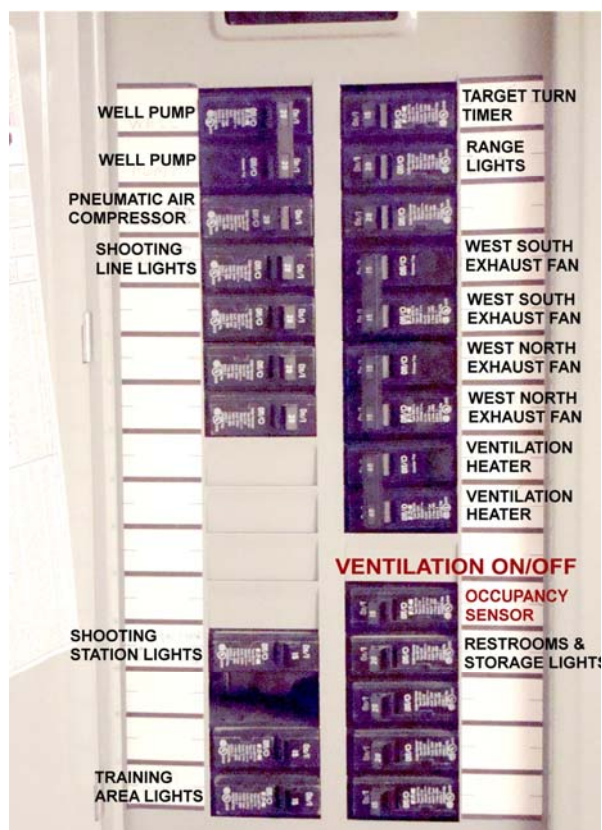
ANYONE MAY CALL A "CEASE FIRE"

HEATING AND VENTILATION PROCEDURES:

For heat in the training/storage areas, adjust UP and DOWN buttons on the thermostat. **NOTE:** The thermostat will automatically turn back to 60°F at 6:00 AM, Noon, 6:00 PM and midnight. **Do not change or adjust any other controls.**



Range heating/ventilation is automatically controlled by an occupancy sensor. **There is nothing to adjust.** Keep the doors between the range and the training/storage areas closed. Keep the hinged air baffles (doors on lanes 1 and 10) closed while shooting.



The ventilation system should automatically come ON when anyone enters the range. If it does not, check the **"OCCUPANCY SENSOR"** breaker in the electrical panel at the south end of the shooting line. Note: all other breakers should be in the ON position.

TO MINIMIZE NATURAL GAS AND ELECTRICAL POWER EXPENSES, PLEASE DO NOT USE THE RANGE FOR ACTIVITIES OTHER THAN ACTUAL SHOOTING.

The ventilation system can be shut-down for non-shooting activities, such as building maintenance or cleaning, by turning OFF the **"OCCUPANCY SENSOR"** breaker in the main power panel to the left of the shooting line. **BE SURE TO TURN THE SYSTEM BACK ON BEFORE LEAVING THE RANGE.**

The ventilation system will automatically shut down 15 minutes after the last person leaves the range.

MINIMIZE LEAD EXPOSURE TO YOURSELF AND YOUR FAMILY

Do not smoke, eat or drink on the range. Wash hands, arms and face after shooting. Wear “shooting garb” (perhaps coveralls, shirt and cap) that can be removed and stowed before getting into your car. Wipe down your equipment and shoes with a damp cloth before leaving. Be sure to follow these same practices when cleaning your guns, reloading and handling ammo at home. It is advisable to use nitrile gloves when cleaning your guns to minimize absorbing lead through the skin.

For more information refer to web site: http://www.corneredcat.com/Aiming_for_Lower_Lead_Exposure

DAILY RANGE MAINTENANCE: (ALL SHOOTERS MUST COMPLY)

If shooting mats are used, the floor behind the yellow line must be damp mopped before placing mats down. **Never sit or lay on the floor without a mat.** After shooting, all brass must be policed using rubber squeegees. (To minimize raising lead-laden dust, no brooms are permitted on the range). If used, wipe down your mat with a damp cloth before leaving. The floor in front of the shooting stations must be damp mopped at least six feet out toward the bullet trap after every use. A mop and bucket are on the range.

REGULAR BUILDING MAINTENANCE:

A crew of four members is presently in place to scrub down the entire building during the league and competition seasons. Their weekly assignments are posted in the storage area. Whenever participating in general clean up, always use wet methods. Appropriate cleaning supplies and equipment are available in the Storage Area. Windex, D-lead cleaner in water, damp mops, rags and paper towels. Wear rubber gloves. Never use a broom on the floors use a squeegee first and then a damp mop. A HEPA vacuum is available for hard-to-reach places. Throw away paper towels, rinse mops and cloths and allow to dry. Empty dirty water in the container just outside the Storage Room door.

GUESTS

Members are encouraged to bring guest shooters to the range. Aside from immediate family, and youth training participants, after their first visit, all guest shooters will pay a daily fee (see posting and drop box) for each visit. All guest shooters and spectators must sign a Release and Indemnification Form. Guests should seek membership after three visits.

Bringing three or more guests at a time requires that the sponsoring member must maintain visual contact and command control over the shooters at all times. Parties with greater than five guests must be supervised by additional range safety officers. Children under the age of 12 must be individually supervised by an adult.

22cal RIFLE AND FLOOR MAT USE AND MAINTENANCE (REQUEST KEYS FROM CLUB OFFICERS)

To minimize lead accumulation, damp mop the range floor behind the yellow line before placing mats. Avoid contacting the mats with dust-laden shoes. After use:

- WIPE THE TOP SURFACE OF THE MAT WITH A DAMP CLOTH AND ALLOW IT TO DRY.
- FOLD THE MAT IN HALF, HEAD TO FOOT, WIPE BOTH EXPOSED SURFACES WITH A DAMP CLOTH AND ALLOW TO DRY.
- ROLL THE MAT AND STOW IT IN THE STORAGE LOCKER.

Use Hope's cleaner and a patch to swab the bore and wipe down the rifles after use.

WHEN LEAVING THE CLUB HOUSE:

1. TURN OFF THE AIR COMPRESSOR IN THE LADIES ROOM.
2. CLEAN UP AFTER YOURSELF. REPORT ANY SYSTEMS MALFUNCTION OR FACILITY DAMAGE IN THE NOTEBOOK BY THE FRONT DOOR.
3. TURN OFF THE LIGHTS AND BE SURE THE DOORS AND WINDOWS ARE LOCKED.
4. PLEASE EMPTY ANY FULL TRASH CONTAINERS, TAKE THEM HOME AND DISPOSE WITH YOUR WEEKLY PICK-UP.

