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Range Standing Orders and Code of Conduct for the Chipperfield Ranges

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'The Chipperfield Ranges'



The above photograph gives a panoramic view of The Chipperfield Ranges, Redhill, Maer, Baldwin's Gate, Newcastle-under-Lyme, Staffordshire, ST5 5EA.

ALL users of the Chipperfield Ranges (Baldwin's Gate) MUST be aware of AND COMPLY WITH the information contained within the [Range Standing Orders and Code of Conduct](#).

Introduction

1. Firearms and ammunition can be extremely dangerous if handled incorrectly. These orders are written to guard against accidents and ensure maximum safety.
2. Any person using these ranges for shooting must comply with these Range Orders and the Code of Conduct which follow.
3. The validity of the Range Safety Certificate is conditional upon compliance with these Range Standing Orders.
4. You should note that should you fail to comply with these orders you are also in breach of the conditions of issue of your Firearm Certificate.

Range Standing Orders

These Range Standing Orders must be strictly adhered to.

1. Firing may not start before 9:00am and should cease by dusk or 7:00pm whichever is the later.
2. The Red Range Flag should be raised prior to the commencement of Shooting. (The Flag is to be found locked in the base of the flag pole with the same combination as the entrance barrier. The Flag should be raised on the flag pole at the Range entrance and returned to the base of the flag pole after shooting.)
3. Ammunition exceeding .22 calibre or with a muzzle velocity exceeding 340m/sec is prohibited.
4. The maximum number of firearms, which may be fired and approved firing positions, are shown below.

Range	Point Numbers	Distance	Max number of Firearms	Position
A	Un-numbered	25 yds	10	Prone
B	1 to 10	50 m	10	Prone
C	11 to 20	100 yds	10	Prone
D	1 to 10	50 m	10	Prone, Standing, Kneeling

Ranges A, B and C should be regarded as one range for safety purposes. Range D may operate independently from Ranges A, B and C.

5. When removed from their cases all firearms should have their breeches open unless being fired. Magazine fed rifles should have the magazines removed and working parts held open unless being fired.

6. Shooting is only authorised from the designated Firing Points and may only commence when the butts are clear.
7. Targets may only be inspected when all users of the Range have ceased firing.
8. When the instruction to unload has been given firearms are to be unloaded in the appropriate manner.
9. Empty cases should be collected after firing and taken from the range or left in the box in the Clubroom.
10. Only authorized frames and targets should be used on the range.

Code Of Conduct

This Code of Conduct sets out the conditions of use required by the SSRA.

1. Range users must be Individual members of the SSRA or members of a Club affiliated to the SSRA (except at approved open meetings).
2. All shooters using this range should carry their own third party liability insurance.
3. Range users must "Sign In" in the appropriate register and pay the fee as displayed prior to shooting.
4. Shooters must be accompanied by an other person over 18 when firing (not necessarily a shooter).
5. Where more than three persons are using the Range, by mutual agreement, one of them should act as Range Officer, who will then control the Range.
6. Smoking is not permitted on the firing point or in any wooded area of the range.
7. Fires are prohibited unless required for Range maintenance.
8. Users must take away all their own all refuse (there is no refuse collection facility from the range).
9. After use the last person to leave the range should ensure that all equipment has been put away and all doors are locked. finally locking the gate. Items left behind on the range may be left in the Clubroom, at the owners risk.
10. Rifles should have "Breech Flags" inserted when not in use, unless this is not possible due to the design of the Rifle.

1st July 1999 Onwards - Annex 'A' To Range Standing Orders, Chipperfield Ranges

Table of Authorised Frames and Targets

Frames

1. Wooden Frames provided by the SSBRA.
2. Wooden Boards provided by the SSBRA.
3. Foam Boards or similar for clipping to the frames (for use with targets).
4. Bull Dog clips may be used to fix targets to the frames.
5. Archery only - A boss manufactured from a suitable material.

Targets

6. Any targets manufactured from paper or similar material (Shooters are responsible for providing their own targets. Used targets may be found in the Club Room).
7. Targets constructed from metal materials or similar are strictly prohibited. (Shooting at metal cans or similar is strictly prohibited).
8. Clay Discs (Please consult the range management before using clay discs).

Frames are designed to accept the following targets (Three Card System)

50 m	50 yd	100 yd
MM13/89	5006 BM	1003 BM

They will also accept the following targets with the addition of a modified board

50 m	50 yd	100 yd
MM12	5002	1001

All the above plus a number of other suitable targets are available from the NSRA.

Airgun Range Standing Orders - February 2014 Onwards

1. Firing may not start on all outdoor ranges (A, B, C, D) before 9:00am, and must cease by dusk or 7:00pm, whichever is the later.
2. Firing should not commence before 9:00am, and must cease by 9:30pm. Shooters must leave the range by 10:00pm at the latest.
3. Only competition match rifles and pistols are to be used, using .177-calibre ammunition only. .22-calibre ammunition must not be used.
4. Shooters only using the Airgun range do not need to raise the red Range Flag when entering the main gate.

Code Of Conduct

1. Range users must 'Sign In' in the register in the range, and pay the fee as displayed prior to shooting.
2. Shooters must be accompanied by another person over 18 when firing. (Not necessarily a shooter.)
3. Range users must take away all their own refuse. (There is no refuse collection facility from the range.)
4. If used, the toilet door must be locked, and the keys returned to the Airgun Range.
5. After use, the last person to leave must ensure that the Range door and Club Room door is locked, and must ensure the main gate is also locked on exit.
6. Smoking is not permitted in the Club House, Airgun Range, or in any wooded area of the range.

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