



Staffordshire Small-bore Rifle Association



Range Standing Orders and Code of Conduct for the Chipperfield Ranges Issued by the Staffordshire Small-bore Rifle Association

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 the Range Standing Orders and the Code of Conduct, which follow.
3. The validity of the Range Safety Certificate is conditional on compliance with these Range Standing Orders. You should note that should you fail to comply with these orders you are also in breach of the conditions of issue of your Firearms Certificate.

Range Standing Orders

These Range Standing Orders must be followed:

Indoor Air Range

1. If only the indoor Air Range is in use, the red Range Flag does not need to be raised.
2. Only Air rifles and pistols using 0.177 calibre ammunition, with a maximum power limit of 6 ft/lbs, can be used in the indoor Air Range. **0.22 calibre must not be used.**
3. Shooting in the indoor Air Range must not start before 9am and must cease by 9.30pm. Shooters must leave the range by 10pm at the latest.

Outdoor Ranges (A, B, C & D)

1. Firing may not start on any outdoor range (A, B, C or D) before 9am and must cease by dusk or 9pm whichever is the earlier. Shooters must leave the range by 10pm at the latest.
2. The red Range Flag should be raised prior to the commencement of any outdoor shooting and lowered at the end of shooting.
 - (a) (The flag is stored in the bottom of the flag pole at the range entrance. It should be returned to the base of the flag pole after shooting.)
3. Ammunition exceeding .22 calibre or with a muzzle energy or velocity exceeding values in table below, **are prohibited.** (These are taken directly from the range safety certificates).

Range	Maximum Muzzle Energy	Maximum Muzzle Velocity
Range A (25m)	210 ft/lbs	1710 ft/sec
Range B (50m)	350 ft/lbs	2000 ft/sec
Range C (100m)	355 ft/lbs	2000 ft/sec
Range D (50m)	210 ft/lbs	1710 ft/sec



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4. The maximum number of firearms which may be fired at any one time and approved firing positions are shown in the following table.

Range	Point Nos.	Distance	Firearms	Position
A	Un-numbered	25 yards	10	Prone
B	1 to 10	50 metres	10	Prone
C	11 to 20	100 yards	10	Prone
D	Un-numbered	50 metres	10	Prone/Kneeling/Sitting/Standing

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

**Ranges A, B & C are certified for Rimfire Rifle only.
Range D is certified for Rimfire Rifle and Rimfire Pistol only.**

- When removed from their cases all firearms should have breech flags inserted unless being fired. Magazine fed rifles should have the magazines removed and working parts held open unless being fired.
- Shooting is only authorised from the designated Firing Points and may only commence when the butts are clear.
- Targets may only be inspected when all users of the range have ceased firing.
- When the instruction to unload has been given firearms are to be unloaded in the appropriate manner and breech flags inserted.
- Empty cases should be collected after firing and taken from the range or left in the tubs by the firing points.
- Only authorized frames and targets should be used on the range. (See Annex A)



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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 are members of a Club affiliated/associated to the SSRA (except at approved open meetings).
2. All shooters using this range should be covered by appropriate civil liability insurance, either personal or club.
3. Range users must “Sign In” in the appropriate register, and those who have not paid the yearly payment must pay the daily fee, as displayed, prior to shooting.
4. Shooters must be accompanied by another person, over 18, when firing (not necessarily a shooter).
5. Where more than two people are shooting on any Range, by mutual agreement, one of them should act as Range Officer.
6. Smoking is not permitted on the firing point, club house or in any wooded area of the range.
7. Fires are totally prohibited unless required for Range maintenance.
8. Users must take away all their own 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 locked, flag lowered, finally locking the gate. Items left behind on the range or in the clubroom are at the owner’s risk.
10. All Firearms should have “Breech Flags” inserted when not in use, unless this is not possible due to the design of the firearm, where other appropriate ‘show clear’ methods must be used.



**Annex A to Range Standing Orders
Chipperfield Ranges**

Table of Authorised Frames and Targets

Frames

1. Wooden Frames approved by the SSRA.
2. Wooden Boards approved by the SSRA.
3. Foam Boards or similar, for clipping to the frames (for use with targets).
4. 'Bull Dog' type 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 supplying their own targets. Some used targets may be found in the clubhouse).
7. Targets of metal materials or similar are strictly prohibited. (Shooting at metal cans etc is strictly prohibited).
8. Clay discs. Please consult the range management before using clay discs.
9. Polymer type targets (Throom or similar).

Frames are designed to accept the following targets (3 card system)

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

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

50m	MM12
50yds	5002
100yds	1001

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