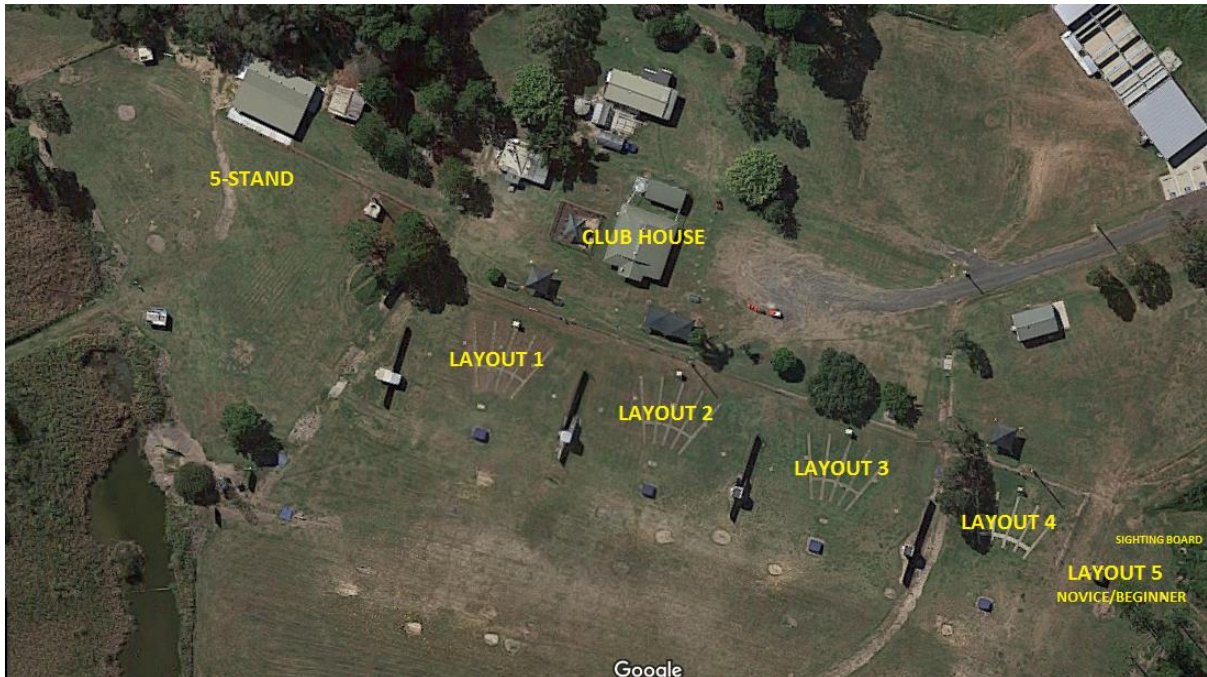




CABOOLTURE CLAY TARGET CLUB STANDING ORDERS



SECTION 1 – GENERAL

These Range Standing Orders (SO's) cover the use of the 'Caboolture Clay Target Club Range' facility operated and managed by Caboolture Clay Target Club (CCTC) Inc. situated at 558 Uhlmann Rd, Burpengary East QLD 4505.

Requests for exemptions from any provisions of these SO's shall be submitted in writing to the committee of the Caboolture Clay target Club Inc. for consideration.

Applying for, or renewing, Caboolture Clay Target Club membership requires signed confirmation of having read and understood the Standing Orders.

1.1 Revisions

These SO's have been published and revised on the dates listed below:

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SECTION 2 – RANGE FACILITY

2.1 Range Description

This range complex has multiple layouts and all are numbered or named for the discipline.

- Layout 1, 2 and 3 – Dual purpose Down the Line and Skeet layouts
- Layout 4 – Down the Line only
- Layout 5 – 2 x Novice/Beginner traps from shed
- 5-stand range – Multiple moveable traps and tower
- Sporting Clays utilising entire facility can also occur
- Sighting/pattern board



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Approved competitions, at times, use multiple ranges depending upon need, and some or all the layouts may be closed at the discretion of the committee. When Sporting Clay shoots are undertaken, all layouts must be closed to competition and practice.

The entire range has a large amount of fauna using the bushland and grounds. No wildlife of any sort is to be harmed.

The sighting/pattern board may only be used with the express permission of the primary Range Officer.

SECTION 3 – PERSONNEL

3.1 Range Officer (RO)

Any CCTC committee member may be appointed as primary RO at the discretion of the committee. The primary RO may appoint any licenced CCTC club member as assistant RO.

The RO and any Assistant RO's must hold a current Queensland firearms' licence. All Range Officers' names are to be clearly displayed on the 'Open/Closed' sign on the Eastern side of the clubhouse, or on a board at any separate active range (5-Stand).

The RO has complete authority on the range to conduct approved clay target competitions and practice. The primary RO is to be immediately identifiable by all persons on the range.

The RO and assistant RO's must have possession of any communication equipment or device to enable him/her to signal an immediate total "Cease Fire" should it be required (i.e.: whistle, UHF radio, mobile phone).

The RO has the responsibility to supervise all persons (shooting and non-shooting alike) present on the range and, with reasonable cause, may have club members and/or non-members removed at his/her discretion.

The primary RO is responsible for general range safety, supervision of all persons on the range, and the signing in of licensed and non-licensed shooters. The RO may appoint one or more assistant RO's to adequately carry out the responsibilities of signing in, and the supervision of shooters and other patrons as required.

When the 5-stand range is open, an assistant RO must always be present at the 5-stand range to supervise shooters, spectators and operate the equipment.

The Novice/Beginner layout can only be used by licensed shooters in the absence of a RO, or an assistant RO.

Unlicensed shooters can only use the Novice/Beginner layout under the direct supervision of a RO, or an assistant RO, and if insufficient personnel are available to supervise, unlicensed shooting is not permitted.

Complaints against Range Officers, or others, are to be in writing and forwarded to the Secretary.



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3.2 Licensed Shooters

Licensed shooters must present a valid Shooter's License to the RO, or assistant RO, on duty at the clubhouse, at time of signing the range register, and must have it in their possession whilst in possession of any firearm or ammunition.

Licensed shooters must present their license at any time when requested by the RO, or any assistant RO, to confirm their identity or license status.

If a licensed shooter cannot present a valid license, they ARE NOT permitted to shoot. A licensed shooter not in possession of their license is not permitted to shoot under the provisions of Section 53 of the Weapons Act (Form 33A).

All shooters must remain behind the fence or at a safe distance behind shooting frames, unless engaged in practice, competition, refereeing, scoring, or coaching activities.

Should the RO or any assistant RO call "Cease Fire" or sound a whistle or horn, all licensed shooters are to immediately cease fire, open and unload any firearm, and presume that the layout/range is closed. The licensed shooter must then await confirmation from the primary RO that the layout/range has been re-opened.

3.3 Unlicensed Shooters

In accordance with Section 53 of the Weapons Act, unlicensed shooters, or licensed shooters who are not authorised to possess the firearm he/she proposes to physically possess and use, must complete a Form 33A which are located in the clubhouse.

NOTE: a photo ID endorsed by the Range Officer is required. This also applies to juniors (ages 11-17)

A Form 33A is to be completed on every subsequent attendance until the necessary firearm licence can be presented.

The Range Register must be completed in addition to the Form 33A, and the entry "Form 33A" to be completed in lieu of the License Number.

All unlicensed shooters will ensure the RO endorses the Form 33A Register as well as the Range Register in accordance with Section 53(3) of the Weapons Act prior to the commencement of shooting.

Unlicensed shooters are not to be in possession of any firearm or live ammunition without direct close supervision of the RO, or an assistant RO.

All shooting by unlicensed shooters must be conducted through a shooting frame, with close personal supervision by a RO, or assistant RO, and only individual rounds fired (multiple rounds loaded at one time is not permitted).

An unlicensed shooter who can present evidence of having completed a safety course, along with the submission of their license application, may be permitted to shoot on layouts without a shooting frame, under close supervision of a RO, or assistant RO. Multiple rounds are still not permitted to be loaded, and the RO, or assistant RO must maintain possession of ammunition.



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All unlicensed shooters must remain behind the fence or at a safe distance behind shooting frames, unless engaged in supervised shooting activities.

Unlicensed shooters must obey all reasonable directions from the RO, or any assistant RO, and should an announcement be made, or a whistle or horn be sounded, cease fire immediately.

3.4 Attendance and Membership

Every CCTC member must also be a member of either Sporting Shooters' Association Australia (SSAA), or the Australian Clay Target Association (ACTA).

To use the facilities for practice, or to compete in competitions, licensed shooters must be a member, as required, of the ACTA or SSAA. On other occasions, a shooter may be the member of an affiliated and recognised national or international shooting body as deemed acceptable by the CCTC committee.

Daily RANGE FEES apply to shooters who are not financial members of CCTC.

Any licensed non-member shooters are to be assessed on the Novice range by the RO or assistant RO for safe handling of any shotgun prior to be permitted to practice or compete on discipline layouts.

3.5 Guests and Spectators

Guests (children and adults) are the responsibility of the adult member with whom they came, and children must remain under adult supervision at all times.

It is the responsibility of non-shooting members, guests, and spectators to document their attendance in the Visitors' Register which located in the clubhouse.

Spectators are the responsibility of the RO. The RO may appoint another club member to assist in the supervision of spectators.

All spectators must remain behind the fence of any layout/range, or maintain a safe distance behind any shooting frames.

SECTION 4 – RANGE OPERATIONS

4.1 Security

Shooting on the range will only occur in the presence of a Range Officer.

The entrance to the entire range may, at times, be locked. Shoot Captains, members of the committee, and any persons the committee deems necessary may have keys. Shoot captains will, if necessary, ensure all gates are closed upon leaving the range.

4.2 Flags/Flashing light

A RED flag must be flown from the flagpole at the main entrance to the complex when firing is being conducted on any range within the facility. The Red flag is not to be flown when there is no shooting on the range. During night shoots, the red flag is to be clearly illuminated.



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When the range is 'live' a red flashing beacon located on the Southern wall of the clubhouse is to be operating. If there is a fault with the light, a red flag is to be mounted in plain view on the side of the clubhouse, near the normal beacon.

Any individual layout/range with a red flag visible is NOT to be used and is deemed closed until opened by the RO.

4.3 Firearms

Only shotguns are permitted to be used on the CCTC range facility (excluding the SSAA range located within the boundary of the property).

The minimum length of barrel permitted to be used on any range is 26 inches.

All firearms are to be carried in the 'open' position with the muzzle facing in a forward direction.

Firearms MUST BE kept secure at all times. Any firearms left unsecured are to be considered a breach of safety and reported to the RO, or the nearest assistant RO.

Any semi-auto, lever or pump action shotgun is permitted to have 2 rounds maximum loaded at any single time when shooting.

Whilst on the layouts or any range, the firearm is to only be closed when pointed down range, with no person down range of that position.

No ammunition is to be in any firearm if not pointing down range on an open layout, or through a shooting frame on an open layout.

In Down the Line shooting, firearms must be completely unloaded, and remain open and unloaded when moving from station 5 to station 1.

In Skeet shooting, the firearm must not be loaded until on a shooting station and must be open and unloaded prior to the shooter stepping off the station.

In 5-stand and sporting clays, firearms must be positioned through a shooting frame and pointing down range before being loaded, and must be open and unloaded prior to removal from within the shooting frame.

4.4 Ammunition and Targets

The maximum sized shot permitted in any cartridge on the entire range is #7.

Should any target fail to release, or malfunction when vocally called or otherwise activated, the RO is to be notified and only he/she, or another person nominated by the RO, can approach trap machines (within houses or free standing) to attend to the issue.

Entry into any of the trap houses on the skeet and DTL layouts by unauthorised persons is strictly prohibited.

No shooter or person without authorisation of the RO will interfere with, repair, or refill trap machines.



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If a trap requires attention, repair or refilling, the individual layout/range will be closed for the duration deemed necessary by the RO for that purpose. A red flag is to be shown on the layout/range that is closed for the duration that it is closed.

During this period, no ammunition is to be loaded into any firearm at all upon that range, and no targets are to be thrown, unless in the course of a repair or adjustment, and only for the purpose of testing the throw.

Should the RO deem it necessary at any time, he/she may close the entire range to ensure safety of any person or shooter for whatever period is deemed necessary.

An authorised person is someone who has the approval of the RO.

4.5 Range Registers

Upon arrival at the range, every person who intends to shoot must sign the Range Register/s located in the club house.

Registers are to be completed legibly.

Persons not intent on shooting must sign the Visitors' Register.

The RO, or assistant RO, is required to physically sight participants' firearms licences and confirm the validity of that license. Club members and visitors who are not able to produce a valid licence will not be permitted to shoot as this would be in contravention of the Weapons Act.

All entries must be checked and endorsed by the RO, or an assistant RO, before commencement of shooting.

SECTION 5 –RANGE SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

5.1 Communications

Should the RO deem it necessary, the use of UHF radios should be utilised to maintain immediate contact with assistant RO's or other persons authorised to conduct adjustment, repair or reloading of traps.

The PA system is to be utilised to obtain the attention of all persons in attendance should the entire range need to be closed immediately, or other instructions need to be relayed.

The RO, or an assistant RO, may sound a whistle or horn to signal to all persons on all ranges that there is an immediate issue, and a "Cease Fire" is indicated. (In the event of a PA system failure, or emergency situation)

The use of mobile phones is also to be considered to communicate instructions or other information.



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5.2 Hearing and Eye Protection

Hearing protection for all attendees at the range in near proximity to an active firing line is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

All novices and children (under the age of 18) MUST wear hearing protection when shooting or in the near vicinity of the 5-stand shooting range (under the awning). If a child refuses to wear hearing protection, shooting is to be ceased until the child is removed from the proximity of the layout/range.

For any shooter, referee, scorer, spectator, coach, or RO involved in any activity in the vicinity of any shooting forward of the fence line, or near a shooting frame in all disciplines of shooting, eye protection is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

All novices and children (under the age of 18) MUST wear eye protection when shooting.

5.3 Alcohol/Drugs

Any person deemed by the RO to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs will not be permitted to shoot.

Any person known to have consumed any alcoholic beverage at all whilst at the CCTC, is deemed to be under the influence of alcohol. This is non-discretionary on the part of the RO.

5.4 Pets

Dogs are very welcome at the CCTC facilities, but must be kept on a leash and controlled at all times. All dog droppings are to be immediately removed by the pet owner.

Cats are not permitted upon the CCTC facilities.

5.5 Smoking

Smoking is not permitted on any layout/range, or within 4 metres of the clubhouse or playground.

Smoking is not permitted throughout sporting clay competitions (except near the general clubhouse/carpark region) during periods of total fire ban due to the risk of bushfire on club grounds.

Smokers are to be considerate in their proximity and the effect that passive smoking may have on non-smokers, and the irritation it may cause.

5.6 Clothing

Complete camouflage clothing is prohibited and partial camouflage clothing is discouraged. The only exception is the uniform of serving members of the armed services officially shooting on the range.

Writing, slogans, or images on clothing that may be deemed as inappropriate or offensive are not permitted, and are to be attended to at the discretion of the RO, or other committee member/s.

Any clothing that may interfere with safe handling of firearms is to be corrected or removed.

Enclosed and secure footwear is to be worn whilst on the layouts or ranges. No thongs, crocs, sandals, or similar footwear is permitted.



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5.7 First Aid Kit / Phone

A first aid kit and emergency phone are located in the club house.

5.8 Reporting of Incidents

The RO is responsible for the reporting of any incidents which result, or may have resulted, in an injury to any person or animal on any part of the facility.

Any safety breaches reported to the RO are to be investigated immediately and if deemed to be an actual breach of safety, the RO is to report such matter to the committee including the name of the person deemed to have committed such breach.

SECTION 6 – EMERGENCY INFORMATION

6.1 EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS

For emergencies call “000”

6.2 Notification of Emergency

The RO, or the nearest assistant RO is to be notified immediately of any emergency, and if on a layout/range, the shooter or visitor is to call ‘Cease Fire’ immediately.

