

MARYBOROUGH RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB INC.

RANGE STANDING ORDERS as amended 18 June 2023



Description

The Maryborough Rifle and Pistol Range, is located at 297 Walker Street Queensland. It consists of five ranges catering for ISSF, TRA and RBA approved shooting providing for, Target Rifle, Air Pistol, Air Rifle, Pistol Shooting, Silhouette Rifle and Benchrest Rifle.

- **Range 1-** an outdoor 20, 35, 50, 55, 75 & 90 metre 'Limited Danger Area' range catering for .22 rimfire rifle shooting.
- **Range 2** - an indoor 10 metre range catering for .177 air rifle and .177 air pistol shooting.
- **Range 3** - an outdoor 50 metre 'Limited Danger Area' range catering for .22 rimfire rifle and .22 rimfire pistol shooting,
- **Range 4** - an outdoor 25 metre 'Limited Danger Area' range catering for .22 rimfire and .32 - .38 centrefire pistol shooting, .22 rimfire rifle, .177 and .22 air rifle benchrest shooting.
- **Range 5** - an indoor 10 metre range catering for .177 air rifle and .177 air pistol shooting.

General

Shooting on each range is to be supervised by a Range Officer. The appointed Range Officer has total authority over the conduct of shooting on the relevant range.

The name of the Range Officer is to be displayed at the relevant range. If more than one Range Officer is appointed for the activity, all names are to be listed on the board.

On arrival at the range, all shooters must report to the Range Officer. It is the responsibility of the Range Officer to ensure that all shooters sign a Range Register after viewing the shooter's Firearms Licence.

For unlicensed adult shooters, shooting Category A or H firearms, Range Officers are to ensure that a Queensland Police Service Form 33 Declaration is signed, (or Form 33A for frequent shooters waiting for their Licence to be issued), photographic identification is viewed, and a Queensland Police Service Form 20 Range Register signed.

Junior shooters without a Minors Licence, under the age of 18, are to be accompanied by a responsible adult. Shooters must be supervised by an adult who holds the appropriate Firearms Licence for Category A, B or H firearms. Supervisors are not permitted to shoot while supervising. Minors shooting Category H firearms are also required to complete the Form 33 Declaration and show photographic identification.

When shooting is in progress during daylight hours, red 'Range in Use' flags are to be raised. At night the appropriate 'Shooting in Progress' red light is to be illuminated.

Shooting will commence with the command "Start" or "Attention" and will cease on the command "Stop" or "Unload". If, during shooting, the command "Stop" is given:

- Rifle shooters must immediately "Unload" and open the breech of the rifle.
- Pistol shooters are to keep the pistols pointing down range and wait for further instructions.

Shooting may only be resumed when the appropriate signal or command to "Start" or "Load" -" is given.

At all times firearms must be pointed in a safe direction, down range.

After the last shot is fired, firearms are to be made safe by the shooter by;

- Inserting a Breach Safety Flag, or
- Safety line, or
- Removing the bolt, and
- Removing the magazine (if applicable).

The Range Officer is to check that the action is open and that there is no cartridge in the chamber or magazine, before the firearm is removed from the firing point.

During a shoot a firearm may only be placed down after the cartridge and/or magazine is removed. Air and gas firearms are to be made safe by opening the cocking handle and/or loading port. If leaving the range, safety flags or line must be inserted.

Dry firing or aiming exercises are to be considered the same as live firing and are only to be conducted with the permission of the Range Officer. As required, a pistol warm up area is to be designated by the Range Officer.

All pistols must be taken to the firing line in a bag or a box, then taken out and placed on the bench with a safety flag in place. When shooting is completed, pistols must be cleared and returned to their bag or box at the firing line, before being removed.

Children brought to the range shall be the responsibility of the accompanying adult and must not be allowed on or near the firing point without supervision.

Junior shooters without a Minors Licence, under the age of 18, are to be accompanied by a responsible adult. When shooting unlicensed, shooters must be supervised by an adult who holds the appropriate Firearms Licence for Category A, B or H firearms. Supervisors are not permitted to shoot while supervising. When shooting Category H photographic ID must be shown and the Form 33 completed.

No camouflage clothing (or camouflage designer clothing) is to be worn, or sleeveless T shirts or tank tops. Enclosed footwear must be worn when on the Range whilst shooting.

It is recommended that shooters wear safety glasses and hearing protection.

Shooters are not to consume intoxicating liquor prior to or while they are shooting. Alcohol is only to be consumed in the club house or designated outdoor areas, when the shooter has completed shooting for the day.

Firearms are not to be left or stored in the club house.

If an incident occurs which has safety implications, details must be reported to the range officer of such an incident, as soon as practicable.

Night shooting is only permitted on illuminated targets.

Shooting is not to commence before 7.00 am and is to cease by 6.00 pm on Ranges 3 and 4.

Any shooter 'sighting in' a firearm, where the bullet strike is not known, must advise the Range Officer before shooting so that a sighting in target and spotter can be arranged. Rifles fitted with telescopic sights are to be bore sighted before firing occurs.

On completion of shooting all brass cases and rubbish is to be placed in the appropriate receptacles.

Wildlife on the Range is protected.

Animals, with the exception of approved assist dogs, are not permitted on the Range.

Medical instructions are at annex A.

Range 1- an outdoor 20, 35, 50, 55, 75 & 90 metre 'Limited Danger Area' range catering for .22 rimfire rifle shooting.

Shooting is not allowed on Range 1 when the full bore 700 yard and 800 yard firing range mounds are being used or occupied.

This Range caters for:-

- .22 inch calibre Target rifle,
- .22 inch calibre Silhouette rifle and
- .22 inch calibre Benchrest rifle.

Any commercially available, factory loaded, standard velocity .22 calibre long rifle ammunition with a soft lead projectile may be used. This ammunition must be original and unaltered. Jacketed or copper coated projectiles are not to be used.

The name of the Range Officer is to be displayed. If more than one Range Officer is appointed for the activity, all names are to be listed on the board.

Shooting must only occur from the designated firing point.

Only approved target mounting systems are to be used. Paper targets are to be used and are to be mounted on approved frames and positioned in front of the bullet catchers. Reactive metallic silhouette targets are not to be used on the Range.

When shooting is in progress during daylight hours, the 'Range in Use' red flag is to be raised at the entrance to the Range and on top of the stop butt. At night the appropriate 'Shooting in Progress' red light is to be illuminated at both ends of the range.

Rifle actions must not be closed until the rifle is in the shoulder and is pointing in the direction of the target.

No person is to move forward of the firing point without the approval of the Range Officer.

If Firearms are left unattended on the firing point they must have a safety flag inserted and the Range Officer notified that the shooter is leaving the range.

On completion of a match, the shooter is to insert a 'Safety Flag' into the rifle. The firearm is to be cleared by the Range Officer, and once the Range Officer has instructed so, the shooter may remove the firearm from the firing point.

Range 2 - an indoor 10 metre range catering for .177 calibre air rifles and air pistols. The range has a roller door at one end, which is to be permanently locked when the range is in use and a single entry door on the other end 4.8 metres behind the firing line.

This Range caters for:-

- 177 inch calibre Air rifle shooting, and
- 177 inch calibre Air pistol shooting.

Only .177 inch calibre target pellets are to be used on this Range.

The name of the Range Officer is to be displayed. If more than one Range Officer is appointed for the activity, all names are to be listed on the board.

Shooting must only occur from the designated firing point.

Only approved target mounting systems are to be used. Paper or infrared light grid targets are to be used and are to be mounted on approved frames and positioned in front of the pellet catchers. Reactive metallic silhouette targets are not to be used on the Range.

No person is to move forward of the firing point without the approval of the Range Officer.

If Firearms are left unattended on the firing point, they must have a Safety flag or Safety line inserted and the Range Officer notified that the shooter is leaving the range.

On completion of a match, the shooter is to insert a 'Safety Flag' into the rifle or pistol. The firearm is to be cleared by the Range Officer, and once the Range Officer has instructed so, the shooter may remove the firearm from the firing point. Pistol must be 'bagged' when being brought to and from the firing point.

When shooters are bringing their firearms from a rest position to the aim:-

Rifles may be elevated, provided their trigger finger is outside the trigger guard.

Pistols can only be elevated up to the target top, whilst in the loaded condition prior to firing.

Range 3 - an outdoor 50 metre 'Limited Danger Area' range catering for .22 rimfire pistol and .22 rimfire rifle shooting.

This Range caters for:-

- .22 inch calibre pistol shooting and
- 22 inch calibre rifle shooting

Any commercially available, factory loaded, standard velocity .22 long rifle ammunition with a soft lead projectile may be used. This ammunition must be original and unaltered. Jacketed or copper coated projectiles are not to be used.

The name of the Range Officer is to be displayed. If more than one Range Officer is appointed for the activity, all names are to be listed on the board.

Shooting must only occur from the designated firing point.

Only approved target mounting systems are to be used. Paper targets are to be used and mounted on approved frames and positioned in front of the bullet catchers. Reactive metallic silhouette targets are not to be used on the Range.

When shooting is in progress during daylight hours, the 'Range in Use' red flag is to be raised at the entrance to the Range and on top of the stop butt.

Rifle actions must not be closed until the rifle is in the shoulder and is pointing in the direction of the target. Pistols are not to be raised above the target top, whilst in the loaded condition prior to firing.

Range officer to check all doors on Range 3 for .22 calibre 50 metre Pistol shooting have had the line of sight shutters or eyebrows adjusted to the height of the person using the firing bays to prevent them seeing above the stop butt.

No person is to move forward of the firing point without the approval of the Range Officer.

If Firearms are left unattended on the firing point they must have a safety flag inserted and the Range Officer notified that the shooter is leaving the range.

On completion of a match, the shooter is to insert a 'Safety Flag' into the rifle or pistol. The firearm is to be cleared by the Range Officer, and once the Range Officer has instructed so, the shooter may remove the firearm from the firing point. Pistol must be 'bagged' when being brought to and from the firing point.

Range 4 - an outdoor 25 metre 'Limited Danger Area' range catering for rimfire and centrefire pistol shooting, .22 rimfire rifle and .177 benchrest air rifle shooting.

This Range caters for:

- .22 inch calibre pistol shooting,
- .32 - .38 inch calibre pistol shooting,
- .22 rimfire rifle and
- .177 and .22 inch calibre benchrest air rifle shooting.

Any commercially available, factory loaded, standard velocity .22 long rifle ammunition with a soft lead projectile may be used. This ammunition must be original and unaltered.

.32-.38 ammunition may be non-factory with a soft lead projectile, Jacketed or copper coated projectiles are not to be used.

.177 and .22 inch calibre target pellets to be used for air rifle shooting.

The name of the Range Officer is to be displayed. If more than one Range Officer is appointed for the activity, all names are to be listed on the board.

Shooting must only occur from the designated firing point.

Only approved target mounting systems are to be used. Paper targets are to be used and are to be mounted on approved frames and positioned in front of the bullet catchers. Reactive metallic silhouette targets are not to be used on the Range.

When shooting is in progress during daylight hours, the 'Range in Use' red flag is to be raised at the entrance to the Range and on top of the stop butt.

Rifle actions must not be closed until the rifle is in the shoulder and is pointing in the direction of the target. Pistols are not to be raised above the target top, whilst in the loaded condition prior to firing.

No person is to move forward of the firing point without the approval of the Range Officer.

On completion of a match, the shooter is to insert a 'Safety Flag' into the rifle or pistol. The firearm is to be cleared by the Range Officer, and once the Range Officer has instructed so, the shooter may remove the firearm from the firing point. Pistol must be 'bagged' when being brought to and from the firing point.

Range 5. Is a 10 metre indoor range catering for air rifle and air pistol shooting.

This Range caters for:-

- 177 inch calibre Air rifle shooting, and
- 177 inch calibre Air pistol shooting.

Only .177 inch calibre target pellets are to be used on this Range.

The name of the Range Officer is to be displayed. If more than one Range Officer is appointed for the activity, all names are to be listed on the board.

Shooting must only occur from the designated firing point.

Only approved target mounting systems are to be used. Paper or infrared light grid targets are to be used and are to be mounted on approved frames and positioned in front of the pellet catchers. Reactive metallic silhouette targets are not to be used on the Range.

No person is to move forward of the firing point without the approval of the Range Officer.

If Firearms are left unattended on the firing point, they must have a Safety flag or Safety line inserted and the Range Officer notified that the shooter is leaving the range.

On completion of a match, the shooter is to insert a 'Safety Flag' into the rifle or pistol. The firearm is to be cleared by the Range Officer, and once the Range Officer has instructed so, the shooter may remove the firearm from the firing point. Pistol must be 'bagged' when being brought to and from the firing point.

When shooters are bringing their firearms from a rest position to the aim:-

Rifles may be elevated, provided their trigger finger is outside the trigger guard.

Pistols can only be elevated up to the target top, whilst in the loaded condition prior to firing.

MEDICAL INSTRUCTIONS

EMERGENCY CONTACT FOR POLICE, AMBULANCE OR FIRE BRIGADE IS: 000

Medical Facilities

The closest hospital is the Maryborough Hospital located in Walker Street Maryborough.

Evacuation

In the event of a serious injury on the range, evacuation will be arranged by calling '000'.

Communications

There is no landline at the range. Mobile phone communications are to be used.

First Aid Kits

A fixed First Aid kit is located at the Club House and Pistol Range.

Checking

The First Aid kits are checked every 6 months, or on occurrence, should there be abnormal use of the kits.

First Aid Qualification

Clubs are encouraged to have members gain first aid qualifications.