

Hahndorf Rifle Club Inc

Range Safety Rules

*The Range Officer (RO) is the person or persons appointed to take control of a rifle competition.

*The onus of carrying out the safety rules of the club shall rest on each individual competitor, Scorer, RO and Observer.

All persons on the Range must report to the RO and sign the appropriate documents upon arrival at the club.

After reporting to the RO your firearm/s are to be placed in the racks provided, with actions open and muzzle pointing upwards.

No firearm is to be taken to the firing line without the approval or instruction of the RO.

When in the booth:

- *Centrefire competitions:*
 - *No person shall load until commanded by the scorer.
 - *At all shoots, bullets will be loaded singly. Magazine loading is prohibited, unless shooting a field match.
 - *Whilst loading and once loaded the rifle muzzle must be pointed in the direction of the target and remain inside the safety enclosure where provided.
 - *Before leaving the firing point each competitor will open the breach and go through the unloading motion whilst the muzzle is pointed at the target. At all other times the muzzle must be upright and the action open.
- *Rimfire competitions:*
 - *All fire arms are to be shot as single shot rifles. With RO permission, hunter class competitors may load five rounds only in magazine whilst rifle pointing down range.
 - *No rifle will be loaded until the competitors have taken their places with their barrels pointed down range, and commanded to do so by the RO.
 - *All competitors will have their actions and magazines cleared, whilst keeping their muzzles pointing upright, by the RO before leaving the booth.

When on the 50 yard range:

- Firearms will be taken to and from the firing line on approval from the RO
- Only the person with approval from the RO will discharge the firearm

Any firearm malfunction must be reported to the RO immediately, while the muzzle remains pointed in the direction of the target and inside the safety enclosure where provided.

Any misfire or accidental discharge that fails to register on the target must be reported to the RO immediately and documented on the score sheet.

*A Danger Signal or a call of cease fire by a RO or Scorer is indicated by the raising of a red flag above the mantle, holding a target at the half-mast position or all targets at half-mast. *The RO shall call "cease fire" in a loud voice, and it shall be repeated by the Scorers whenever a danger signal is given at the butts or firing points. *Competitors will unload at once when directed to do so. Scorers will check that competitors comply.

* The Range Executive (person from the Executive of the Club) is responsible for the observance of discipline and shall have power to disqualify any competitor for a breach of rules during matches.

ANY PERSON IN BREACH OF THESE RULES WILL BE REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION.