

# HEIDELBERG SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION

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## Range and Safety Rules

**All senior members (member's over the age 18 ) are designated Association Safety Officers. They have the absolute right, and obligation to point out issues while on Association property.**

- \* Ranges are for paid member use only. A current membership card must be posted with name and information visible while using range.
- \* A member may infrequently bring guests (no more than two at a time) to the club. The member retains responsibility for their guest's actions while on association property. All members must have their guest fill out a guest release form. This form must be filled out in its entirety and put in the provided mailbox each visit. Failure to do so will result in the member losing their membership.
- \* A guest is limited to 3 visits. Afterward, the guest must determine if they will become a member or no longer utilize the club facilities.
- \* Dogs must be on a maximum of a five (5) foot leash and under the owner's control at all times. The owner must pick up and properly dispose of any fecal mater.
- \* All members will be accountable for their own actions while using the ranges or on club property. You should be , personally, sufficiently insured. The members agrees to hold the Association harmless for the members actions.
- \* The Association is not responsible for any injury to a person, damage to, or loss of a member's or non-member's personal property while using Association property for any reason whatsoever. Your use of the property is an indisputable acceptance of this condition.
- \* Parking is allowed on stones only with the exception of club sponsored events. No parking on the grass.

### Rifle, Pistol, and Archery Range Rules

- \* Range operation hours are: 9 AM to 30 minutes BEFORE sunset daily. No firearm use is permitted outside of these hours. Sunset hours are posted on the website and the premises.
- \* No firearm use is permitted on archery ranges.
- \* No rifles or shotguns are permitted on the pistol ranges.
- \* Eye and hearing protection must be worn by any person shooting or observing shooting.
- \* No shooting is allowed on any Association property by any person who is using, or under the influence of any drug, alcoholic beverage, or any other form of intoxicant.
- \* Members under the age of 18 must be supervised by an adult member (over the age of 18) while on club property.
- \* All members using the range should be courteous and warn others before beginning to fire. Occupy only one shooting position at a time, limit shooting time when others are waiting to shoot, and not intentionally disturb any other shooters concentration.
- \* Any time there is a person in front of the shooting line, all shooters will cease handling firearms and stand clear of the shooting positions.

- \* The muzzle of all firearms not placed in the available racks with action open must be pointed down range at all times, and actions will be open when people are going down range to check or change targets.
- \* Any firearm not being used in active fire must have the action open with no ammunition in the firearm in any form, or in the magazine if it is in the firearm.
- \* No person shall handle a firearm belonging to any other member without the owner's prior approval.
- \* Shotgun patterning will be done using the patterning area marked shotgun only. This area is for shot only, no slugs, no buckshot will be used in this area as there is no backstop directly behind area.
- \* The use of exploding bullets or targets is prohibited
- \* The use of fully automatic firearms on association property is prohibited. This includes bump fire, slide fire, binary triggers, and any other type of uncontrolled shooting.
- \* The use of 50 BMG is permitted, the user must ensure that all targets are placed ONLY on the 200 yard range and projectiles impact in the lower half of the backstop.
- \* The event pits are for officially sanctioned events only, not general shooting.
- \* All firearms must have permanent sights, a scope, or working dot sight to be used on any range.

## Targets

- \* All targets must be standard paper targets or clay birds. All shooters will ensure the range is cleared of all their trash, spent brass, and used targets as they depart.
- \* The use of cans, bottles, or other general trash materials as targets is not allowed.
- \* All targets must be placed so the fired bullet will strike an approved backstop. All fired rounds must be fired only at targets placed so that the bullet will strike the approved backstop well within the backstop's perimeter. There will be no cross range firing. The angle of the target should be approximately 90 degrees.
- \* Targets shall be placed no higher than the target holders at each range backstop, and no closer to the right or left edge than 3 feet from the outer edge of backstop. This is to ensure all projectiles remain in backstop.
- \* All club steel targets are for club functions only and ammunition will be limited to cast lead unless otherwise permitted.
- \* The use of steel targets provided by members is allowed as long as the target is AR500 minimum, the target must be free swinging or suspended NOT laying on the backstop. Steel core bullets are not permitted for use on steel targets.
- \* Steel targets must be immediately in front of a backstop and permitted to move freely. Steel targets may not be placed partway downrange.
- \* No steel may be shot at 25 yards on the rifle range.
- \* No portable target holders are permitted on any rifle range. Must use established club target holders ONLY!

## Standard Safety Rules

- \* Be completely familiar with your firearm before you come to the range. If you need assistance, please ask. We have certified instructors or others to assist you.
- \* Make your intentions to replace or post targets known to other shooters on range before moving in front of firing line. Make sure they are standing clear of all firearms before moving in front of the firing line.

- \* **A Red light system is in place on rifle ranges. After checking with other shooters on entire rifle range, turn on the light before going down range. Turn off light when returning and making sure no one else is down range.**
- \* **No shooting is allowed on any Association property while any work detail activates are in progress, or when Range Closed sign is posted.**
- \* The use of any chemical agents such as, but not limited to Pepper spray, Oleo resin capiscum, Mace, Tear gas, Flash bangs or anything related to these is strictly prohibited. Anyone identified as using these on club property will have their membership revoked immediately. The necessary use in a personal defensive situation would not result in loss of membership.
- \* **Any member found not obeying any of these rules is subject to any or all of the following; a fine starting at \$50., retaking of the membership orientation, revocation of club membership with no refund of dues.**
- \* **These rules may be changed at any time by proposing rule change at a meeting, holding proposed changes till next meeting for a vote. If passed by majority of voting members present the change will take place. If any unforeseen safety hazard occurs, the range committee and/or the officers and trustees may add a provisional rule in place that needs to be addressed and voted on at the next meeting.**

# Affirmation

**I have read and understand the range and safety rules. I further understand that my signature below confirms my understanding and agreement to abide by the above rules and changes as they may take place and be published periodically. I understand that any reported violation of the rules may result in my required appearance before the Associations board of Trustees to discuss the incident. If the board determines that a significant safety violation occurred, immediate revocation of my membership without reimbursement of my annual dues may result.**

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Print Name:** \_\_\_\_\_