

SSAA Fraser Coast Branch Inc.

(ABN 41 757 152 369)

RIFLE SECTION Range Standing Orders

Approval Number 8100022105

Part 1.

Workplace Health and Safety Issues.

a. **Ambulance phone numbers:-**

In an **Emergency** situation dial **000**.

In a **Non-Emergency** situation –
for Maryborough Ambulance Station direct dial 131233
for Hervey Bay Ambulance Station direct dial 131233

b. **Police phone numbers:-**

In an **Emergency** situation dial **000**.

In a **Non-Emergency** situation –
for Maryborough Police Station dial 4128 8111
for Hervey Bay Police Station dial 4128 5333

c. **Nearest Hospital is:-**

Maryborough General Hospital
185 Walker Road
Maryborough
Ph: 4123 8222

d. **Emergency Phone number for -**

Fire Brigade is 000
Police is 000
Ambulance is 000

Part 2.

Range Rules and procedures.

- a. The type of matches which have been approved for the SSAA Fraser Coast Branch Inc. Rifle Ranges by the Authorised Officer are :-

Air Pistol Match	PPC Match
Air Rifle Matches	Police and Service
SSAA Big Game Rifle Match	Rapid Fire Pistol
Black Powder Pistol	Rimfire/S-Bore Rifle Matches
SSAA Black Powder Cannon Match	Single Action Shooting Match
Centrefire Rifle Matches	Silhouette Cowboy Lever Action
Centrefire Rifle Silhouette	Silhouette 100m Cowboy Rifle
Centrefire Pistol	Short Barrel Pistol
Clay Target Matches	Silhouette Pistol Air
Free Pistol	Silhouette Pistol Centrefire 200m
Field Target Air Rifle Match	Silhouette Pistol Centrefire 100m
IPSC Pistol	Sport Pistol
Rimfire Rifle Silhouette	Silhouette Pistol Rimfire 50m
Muzzleloading Rifle Matches	Silhouette Pistol Rimfire 100m
NRA Pistol Action Match	Standard Match Pistol
Service Pistol	

The types of ammunition, calibre and bullet types approved by the Authorised Officer for the SSAA Fraser Coast Branch Inc. Rifle Ranges are :-

Muzzle velocity of ammunition used by Centrefire Firearms not to exceed 4100 feet per second (1250 metres / second) .

Muzzle Energy of ammunition used by Centrefire Firearms not to exceed 4182 foot pounds (5675 joules) .

Muzzle velocity of ammunition used for Centrefire Big Game Group Three Nitro course of fire not to exceed 2500 feet per second (762 metres / second) .

Muzzle Energy of ammunition used for Centrefire Big Game Group Three Nitro course of fire not to exceed 9000 foot pounds (12204 joules) .

Muzzle velocity of ammunition used by Black Powder Firearms not to exceed 4100 feet per second (1250 metres / second) .

Muzzle Energy of ammunition used by Black Powder Firearms not to exceed 4182 foot pounds (5675 joules) .

Muzzle velocity of ammunition used by Rimfire Firearms not to exceed 2400 feet per second (610 metres / second) .

Muzzle Energy of ammunition used by Rimfire Firearms not to exceed 350 foot pounds (434 joules) .

The Categories of Weapons permitted to be used on the SSAA Fraser Coast Branch Inc. Rifle Ranges are :-

Category A , Category B , Category C (Shotgun) and Category H for Sport target shooting.

Category C (Rimfire) Firearms and Category D are permitted on the ranges for firearm training purposes **ONLY**.

Prior approval from a Range Officer of SSAA Fraser Coast Branch Inc. is required before Pistols can be fired on the Rifle Range .

- b. The Range is approved for operation of two parts – the 100m range (right or west side) and the 500m range (left or east side) , but with a common firing line / common cease fires .

The 100m Range is limited to use with penetrable targets and target frames , except for air and rimfire silhouette matches with Category A and Category H Firearms .

When Big Game Rifle Match is shot on the 100 metre part of the Range , the Pistol Range Complex to the immediate right of the 100 metre Range is **NOT TO BE OCCUPIED BY ANY PERSONS** .

Big Game Rifle sighting-in is to be conducted on the 500 metre Range and any Big Game Rifle Match competition conducted on the 100 metre Range will be done with strict compliance to these Standing Orders under competition conditions .

The 500m Range is able to have the use of hard and soft targets and target frames . Specific markers delineate where Centrefire Rifle Silhouette is allowable .

- c. Members must make themselves aware of the provisions of the Weapons Act 1990, Weapons Regulations and Weapons Amendments and comply at all times. (Copies available from GoPrint or via the Queensland Government Website; www.qld.gov.au)
- d. On entering the Fraser Coast Shooting Complex, the red flag is to be raised and the Club Baton placed in the holder.
- e. On entering the SSAA Fraser Coast Branch Inc. Rifle Range area the flag for the SSAA Range is to be raised at the SSAA gate .
- f. The red flag is to be raised at the firing line, the Range Register is to be signed before shooting commences, and a Range Officer is to be nominated and their name placed on the **appropriate** black board. On leaving the Club, if the Pistol Section flag is already down , the Rifle area flag is to be removed and the gate is to be locked. If the Pistol Section Range is still in use and their flag at the Pistol Sign is still raised , leave the gate unlocked .
- g. On leaving the complex the club baton is to be removed and stored at the entrance to the Complex. If no one else is shooting the flag is to be removed and the main gate is to be locked.
- h. All firearms must be carried to and from the Range in accordance with the Weapons Act and Regulations.
- i. Persons in possession of firearms on the Range shall have the relevant Licenses and membership cards and present same upon request.
- j. The powers of the Range Officer/Match Captain/Safety Officer are absolute and are not subject to question or discussion, other than reporting any concern to the Executive Committee for discussion at a General Meeting .
- k. On competition days, the Club Captain/ Range Officer must place his/her name on the **appropriate** blackboard for the duration of the Match.
- l. On non-competition days when more than one shooter is present on the Range those present will select a Range Officer who will then put his/her name on blackboard for the duration of the shoot. On ceasing to shoot, another member selected by agreement must assume the function of Range Officer.
- m. Volunteer Range Officers will be rostered for duty on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings with use of the Range at other times by prior arrangement with a Branch recognised Range Officer .
- n. Visitors are allowed on the Club premises only at the discretion of the President or Committee , Club Captain, or Range Officer. (Conditions apply)
- o. Once on the firing line the muzzle of the firearm must be pointing in a safe direction (DOWN RANGE) .
A system of mandatory suspension has been adopted by the Branch for any person , if found guilty of breaching safety rules . The offender will be subject to disciplinary action for a period not less than one month , as decided by the Management Committee .
- p. All shooters are to wear enclosed footwear .
- q. Wearing of eye and ear protection is strongly recommended .

- r. SSAA National Stuck Live Round Mandatory Rule -
If a malfunction results in a stuck live round which cannot be simply removed from the breech end of the barrel, the firearm is to be made safe and removed from the Range to a competent person. Under no circumstances is an attempt to be made to remove the round by insertion of a cleaning rod or similar, from the muzzle or front of the cylinder.
- s. In all competition and practice events, shooters must not leave the firing line until all firearms have been cleared by the Range Officer and the Range has been declared SAFE.
- A designated Safety Officer will remain on the firing line to monitor security of firearms .
- t. The safe mode for pistols, rifles, shotguns when not being actually fired is:
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| (a) Double action revolvers | Cylinder Open |
| (b) Single action revolvers | Loading Gate Open |
| (c) Semi Auto Pistols | Magazine removed, Slide Locked Open |
| (d) Black Powder Revolvers | Are to be capped only on the firing line
No powder flasks on the firing line |
| (e) Action Matches | Cleared and holstered on the firing line |
| (f) Rifles | Bolt or action open |
| (g) Shotguns | Breech/action open, magazines removed |
- u. A copy of the Club Constitution is available from the Club Secretary on request. All Members must abide by the Range Standing Orders and Constitution of the Club at all times.

Part 3.
Range Management Procedures.

- a. On Non-Match days when Members arrive at the Range for practice sessions, they must sign the Range Register which is kept under the shelter at the 100 metre range. Visitors to the Range must also complete the Visitor Declaration which is at the same location.

On Match days, Members must sign the Range Register in the shelter area on arrival and pay the match nomination fee(s) **to the appropriate Range Officer or Match Captain** who will then allocate a shooting position. The competitor is then responsible for assisting in preparation for the match, such as, setting up targets or preparing score sheets.

Competitors are asked to assist during matches in; scoring, patching and recovering fired cases, if required.

At the completion of the matches competitors will assist in removing targets, removing rubbish and in tallying scores.

- b. Consumption of alcohol by match participants is prohibited prior to and during shooting.
- c. The Range precincts are to be kept clean and tidy at all times and all rubbish should be put into the rubbish bins and containers provided.
- d. The Range area, and equipment used, will be maintained on a regular basis by the Members attending regular, advertised Working Bees.
- e. SSAA Fraser Coast Branch Inc. is registered with the Department of Natural Resources , Mines and Energy under Licence Number 0410123 to sell ammunition and Propellant Powders

Conditions applying to Concealable Licences as provided by the Weapons Act 1990

A Licence authorises the use of Cat H Weapons at an approved Club. The Licensee may only acquire, keep or possess any Cat H Weapon, which is approved for use on the Range of an approved Club unless otherwise specifically authorised. The Licensee is to be a financial member of an Approved Club and regularly attend such club and participate in the sport of target shooting as a member of that Club. The Licensee is not to carry or keep any Cat H Weapon loaded other than on the range of an Approved Club unless specifically authorised for a particular purpose and then only for that purpose.

The Licensee is not without reasonable excuse, to remove any Cat H Weapon from the residential address recorded on the Licence or the range of an Approved Club.

EXTRACTS FROM WEAPONS ACT

Club must keep range use register books

97.(1) An approved shooting club must ensure a range use register, in the approved form, is available at each of its ranges at all times when the range is being used to discharge weapons.

97.(2) Before a person uses a range of an approved shooting club to discharge a weapon, the person must enter in the range use register the details provided for by the register regarding the person's identity and the category of weapon the person will use on the range.
Maximum penalty—10 penalty units.

97.(3) A person must not make an entry in a range use register book that is false or misleading.

Responsibilities of range operator.

108.(1)

In this section—

“range operator” means the person conducting an approved range for an approved shooting club under the approval given under this division and, if the approval is issued to an unincorporated body or association

of persons, includes each member of the body's or association's governing body.

108.(2)

A range operator must ensure every person who physically possesses or uses a weapon at the approved range is properly supervised by a person (a “**range officer**”) who holds a firearms licence under this Act.

108.(3)

A range operator must ensure the name of each range officer supervising persons using the approved range is prominently displayed at the range at any time when a weapon is discharged.

108.(4)

A range operator must take all reasonable steps to ensure a person attending the approved range does not contravene this Act.
Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

Responsibilities of range officer

- 109.** A range officer supervising an approved shooting range must take all reasonable steps to ensure a person attending the range does not contravene this Act.
Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

Responsibilities of person attending an approved range

110.(1)

A person attending an approved range must not physically possess or use a weapon unless the possession or use—
(a) is authorised under—

- (i) a licence issued to the person; or
- (ii) section 52;22 or
- (iii) section 53;23 and

(b) is permitted by the range officer; and

(c) complies with the conditions on which the range was approved, including, for example, that it is a weapon of a category for which the range was approved.

110.(2)

A person attending an approved range must not use a weapon in a way that is likely to cause death or injury to a person or unlawful destruction of, or damage to, property.
Maximum penalty—20 penalty units.

110.(3)

A person attending an approved range must comply with a direction by a range officer for the range given for the purposes of this Act or safety reasons, unless the person has a reasonable excuse.