



LRGC Indoor Range Issue:

Steel is a Problem! BANNED AMMO!

As a result of a recent range cleanout and delivery to the recycling centre, it has been discovered that “steel” in our recyclable materials is a major issue as follows:

1) BRASS RECYCLING PAIL - FOR FIRED BRASS CASES ONLY!

Our brass bucket is receiving range cleanup materials including shotgun primers (which do not screen out of the rimfire brass) and other materials (both steel and aluminum cases and arrow materials) which contaminate the “brass” purity and decrease the entire value of the cycled material and funds flowing back to the club. Please also be sure that unfired rounds so not end up in this bucket!

2) ALL AMMO INCORPORATING STEEL CASES AND/OR STEEL BULLETS PROHIBITED!

It has been recently discovered that copper-coated STEEL cased bullets are being used on our range as these materials are showing up in the lead cleaned out from the range backstop. Copper-coated steel cased bullets are being incorporated in cheap ammo - i.e. mostly in steel cased rounds (another way to reduce price) imported from overseas. As such our range is paying the price for shooters purchasing and using this cheap ammo:

- a) it is potentially a greater safety hazard for ricochets,
- b) it is causing more unnecessary damage to our backstop, and
- c) it is contaminating all the lead being dug out (as well as the brass bucket - see above) which is typically sold to help recoup backstop maintenance costs (which our members will now ultimately have to make-up in fees).

(We have also discovered that these ammo types are also currently banned at other indoor ranges in the Vancouver area)

YOUR PART/RESPONSIBILITY: DO NOT bring any ammunition containing steel to the LRGC indoor range - as you will not be allowed to shoot it! **Please check your ammunition with a magnet prior to coming to the range.**

RANGE OFFICER - CURRENT ACTION: As box documentation may not indicate that steel is used in ammunition manufacture, our range officers will be examining suspect ammunition to ensure compliance. **Offenders could face potential consequences.**

Thanks! Your LRGC Board and Indoor Range Officers!