

Langley Rod and Gun Club Outdoor Range Rules - Shooter's Agreement

All persons with the intent to utilize the Langley Rod and Gun Club (LRGC) outdoor ranges must read, understand, and agree to abide by the rules outlined below:

1. Read each rule and then initial in the box at the end of each numbered point to indicate that you have read and understood each item. Request clarification of any points not fully understood before initialing
2. Sign and date the document to indicate that you fully understand and agree to abide by these rules.

GENERAL

(Initial in right box next to statement if you have read and understood)

1. SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT! It is the responsibility of ALL shooters to conduct themselves in a manner that will maintain a safe shooting environment for all participants, and to notify a Range Officer or a club staff member should an unsafe practice be observed or an unsafe condition potentially exist. If doubt or concern exists – it is your responsibility to immediately notify a Range Officer or LRGC staff!	
2. A LRGC Board of Directors certified Range Officer (RO) or club staff may approach and address you on the range, give you range commands, and also monitor range activity to ensure that safe shooting practices are being employed. Shooters are to obey all range rules and commands given by the Range Officer or club staff. Failure to do so can result in immediate and/or long-term loss of shooting privileges.	
3. The LRGC outdoor shotgun ranges are federal and province approved ranges for the discharge of low-energy firearms using allowed shot shells designed for target shooting from designated stationary positions ONLY (usually a concrete pad or shooting stand).	
4. ALL firearms and ammunition used on the LRGC shotgun ranges must meet the following criteria: a. Shotguns: Barrel must be 26" or greater and must have a full-length shoulder stock. b. Shot shells: 12 gauge – 2.75" or smaller gauge containing #7.5, #8 or #9 LEAD shot ONLY. c. Shot shell energy must be 3 DRAM or less. Factory ammo only permitted for Meat shoots.	
5. Discharge noise level will quickly indicate shot shells that are too powerful for our range. Where a concern is identified, the Range Officer or club staff will disallow the use of any questionable load until approved by LRGC to ensure safety, compliance with provincial and club regulations, and to avoid potential shot fall off the club property. Ask before using – using prohibited ammunition or a disallowed firearm is a sure way to lose your club membership!	
6. ALL persons on the shotgun ranges must have and use proper ear and eye protection whenever the range is active. If you are on the range-side of the fence, you (and your guests) must have and use ear and eye protection. Eye protection on the archery range is recommended but not mandatory.	
7. ONLY bows with a maximum draw force of 70 lb are allowed on the archery range. No crossbows. Field point arrows only, no broadheads or other hunting arrows allowed.	
8. The outdoor ranges are open on a defined seasonal schedule (Winter or Summer) and close at a designated time. It is your responsibility to check the current schedule, and abide by the club rules by leaving the range in proper condition by the designated closing time. Please do not expect to shoot beyond closing time.	
9. Alcohol impairs judgment and has no place in combination with a firearm or bow. Club rules clearly state that anyone who has been drinking or doing drugs may not shoot and therefore should not enter the range. Anyone suspected of being under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be asked to leave the range.	
10. Alcohol is not permitted anywhere outside on club property. Recreational drugs are not permitted on the property. Failure to comply is grounds for revoking membership and removal from the property.	
11. As per municipal bylaws, smoking is not allowed in any of the club buildings. Smoking is not permitted within 6 feet of a window, doorway or intake vent.	
12. Pets are allowed but must ALWAYS be on a leash while in proximity to the ranges, clubhouse or other persons on the property. No pets are permitted inside the clubhouses (except service dogs). No pets are allowed on the shotgun ranges (forward of the fence line) or on the archery range during open range hours.	

ARRIVING AT THE RANGE

13. The range flag shows the condition of all outdoor ranges: Red (Active range) / Green or no flag (Inactive range). No handling of firearms on an inactive range (forward of the fence line) as persons may be downrange! Only Range Officers or staff may clear the range and change range condition flags.	
14. Shooters are required to sign or scan in (i.e. show their membership card), indicate the range that they will use (trap, skeet, 5-stand or archery) and pay the prescribed fees for themselves and any guests (see posted fees near office). Guests will be required to sign a Shooter's Agreement at sign-in.	
15. Pre-purchased tokens are required for trap and skeet range use, however archery and 5-stand are to be prepaid at the counter at sign-in. Prepaid shoot cards may be used for shotgun shoot fee payment for member shooting and are not transferrable to non-members as these cards are a member-only benefit.	
16. Membership in a club with a reciprocal agreement with the LRGC will allow waiving of the drop-in day pass fee for shotgun shooting only. This will ONLY be permitted upon presentation of proof of paid-up membership status in a listed reciprocal club – no exceptions. (See office for reciprocal club list).	
17. Shooters must provide their firearms license upon request of a Range Officer or club staff. Shooters without a firearms license may not bring a firearm or ammunition to the LRGC. They also cannot purchase ammunition, and must always be under the direct supervision of a licenced shooter while on the range.	
18. New shooters must identify themselves to club staff upon arrival and sign-in. Those unfamiliar with the range rules and shooting protocols should ask a staff member or Range Officer for assistance. Any members with guests, or unaccompanied guests (i.e. drop-in shooters or visitors) must also contact the office staff immediately upon arrival. All guests must complete a Shooter's Agreement at sign-in.	
19. Shotguns are to be uncased outside with the barrel pointed in a safe direction, and subsequently placed in the gun rack UNLOADED with the action open (pump and semi-auto shotguns) and action closed for break-open types. The action for a break-open type must be opened immediately upon removal from the rack.	
20. No shotguns are allowed in the clubhouses – please keep them outside. Only club-owned shotguns are allowed into the building.	

21. All actions must be open with the barrel muzzle always pointed in a safe direction (the approved direction is muzzle up for pump/semi-auto shotguns, down for break-open types) when carrying the firearm. The firearm handling safety protocols of ACTS and PROVE are to be utilized while at the club. You must know and use these!	
22. Firearms must never be pointed at anyone , at any time, loaded or unloaded, with closed or open actions. This includes pointing it at yourself, or at clubhouse windows with people behind.	

SHOOTING ON THE RANGES

23. No active cellphones allowed on an active range. These distractive devices are not permitted on an active range as they can create unsafe situations for shooters holding firearms or bows thus posing potential danger to the user or others.	
24. No smoking, drinking or eating is allowed anywhere near the firing line on an active shooting range. Drinks must remain distant and non-accessible to shooters while actively engaged on the range.	
25. Non-shooting guests may not be on any shotgun range while the range is active. They need to be seated on the benches away from the range (behind scoring towers) or behind the fence line. Guests must also remain well behind the shooting line on the archery range so as to not interfere with active archers.	
26. Guests without a valid firearms license must be directly supervised by an experienced shooter with a valid firearms license. The supervising shooter must be within arm's length of the guest shooter and may not shoot while performing this supervisory role.	
27. The shooter on station #1 (farthest left or first person on the range) will act as squad leader and/or Range Officer if one is not present. This person is to provide commands and maintain range safety for that squad's shooting. Loading (i.e. closing of a shotgun's action) may only occur once the squad leader gives approval. This person (or anyone seeing an unsafe situation) may call a "cease fire" at any time to ensure safety on the range.	
28. While on the firing line, shotguns and drawn bows must always be pointed downrange . The Range Officer or club staff must be satisfied that the individual is capable of discharging their firearm or handling their bow safely within the rules of LRGC range.	
29. Shooters on the trap firing line must never be more than two (2) yards in front or behind any other shooter on the same squad . Shooters on other shotgun ranges or the archery range must never be forward of an active shooter's muzzle or bow, cross in front of any shooting position if occupied, or conduct themselves in any other unsafe manner.	
30. Where multiple users exist on the archery range shooting different range targets – a single continuous shooting line must be employed to maintain safety .	
31. Shooters may only load their firearm or bow when at the designated position (e.g. shooting station or firing line) and only when the range is clear (<i>look beyond at the entire shot fall/background area before making this determination</i>). Shotgun shooters may load one shell only unless two shots are required for the course of fire, in which case a maximum of two shells may be loaded.	
32. Before changing positions on the firing line, all shotguns must be unloaded, with actions open and pointed in a safe direction (downrange, vertical or pointed towards the ground: break-open types only). When changing from station 5 to station 1 (trap and 5-stand), walk behind the other shooters with your shotgun pointed in a safe direction . When moving from skeet station #8 High to #8 Low, the muzzle must remain pointed downrange or in a safe direction away from other shooters.	
33. Shooters must unload and leave the firing line when staff are servicing the trap or skeet houses, or anytime a "cease fire" is called. All shooters must obey LRGC staff and Range Officers.	
34. Upon ending a round of shooting, all actions must be opened and firearms returned to a gun rack . Cleaning of firearms is permitted on the range as long as safe handling of firearms is maintained.	
35. Shooters are not responsible for shell hull pick-up on trap fields 1 to 4 , but are responsible for shell pickup (to be collected and placed in buckets) on all other shotgun fields, to be conducted when the range is not active . Skeet thrower safety shields are to be used when working around station #7. Clean-up of any debris brought to the range is required before leaving any range. If a key has been provided, then the range must be locked and the keys must be returned to the office upon leaving unless you have been told otherwise by club staff.	
36. Shooters must report firearm safety-related firearm malfunctions, accidental firings and any range damage to the Range Officer or to club staff. In these cases the Range Officer or staff member will complete a written incident report for the file and follow-up.	
37. The LRGC must report any injuries caused by the discharge of a firearm to both the RCMP and Chief Firearms Officer. Failure to report such an incident is a serious offense. Details must include: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Date, time and location. The names of the individuals involved. The name of staff or any range officer who was on duty at the time. Whether or not medical attention was sought. A general description of the incident, including the circumstances in which the personal injury occurred, if known. 	
38. Climbing the berm at any time and for any reason is strictly prohibited. Shot removal is also prohibited.	
39. If anyone is unsure of any procedure, rule or regulation, or is having difficulty and needs assistance, it is their responsibility to bring this to the attention of the club staff or a Range Officer.	

By reading and signing below you are acknowledging that you have read, understood and will comply with these outdoor range rules. Non-compliance of a less serious nature may bring one warning, however at the occurrence of a second incident you will likely be asked to leave and seek further training! Serious disregard for safety or club rules will result in you being asked to leave.

Print Name: (clearly please)

Date

Signature

Member # (or write in Guest)

Print Name: LRGC Staff or Range Officer

Signature: LRGC Staff or Range Officer