



Escondido Fish and Game Association

Casual Shooting Rules

- Members are responsible for knowing ALL the Administrative Rules and Range Rules. Please take the time to read and understand our rules. The Administrative and Range Rules take precedence over these bullet points.
- This is your range. Please help keep it clean neat.
- The Pistol, Rifle and Archery ranges are open from 7:00 a.m. to local sunset (sunset at the range). Trap ranges are open Tuesday morning, Wednesday and Saturday afternoon/evenings to close, approximately 9:00 p.m. Trap days are open to members and the public.
- The Range (Master) Safety Officer's Word is Final - No Exceptions. If disagreements arise, follow RSO instructions. Then take any complaint to the Board of Directors, if so desired. A Range Safety Officer may confiscate a membership card for serious rules infraction. The confiscated membership card may be returned at the next Board of Directors' meeting.
- Any member and Range Safety Officer can ask a person for his/her membership card and picture identification. These must be produced, no exceptions. Membership card displayed via a clear card pouch and lanyard is preferred while at the range.
- Giving the gate code to anyone- including family members, is grounds for loss of membership.
- Failure to obey the range rules are grounds for temporary to permanent loss of membership privileges.
- Stop and wait for gate to close after entering and when exiting the property.
- Speed limit is 5 mph on the Association property.
- Always sign in after entering the property at all ranges you use, sign out when leaving.
- Eye and ear protection required for everyone, including spectators, while in a shooting area. Within 25 feet of the firing line is preferred.
- Spectators must stay behind the Blue line/ Yellow line or back of the concrete pad.
- No casual shooting forward of the red shooting line. (All Ranges)
- Sign in first, then unload equipment and firearms only while the range is HOT; members actively engaged in shooting on that range. Do not handle any equipment or firearms while a range is COLD for any reason; shooting stopped, firearms down and possibly people down range.
- If your firearm is on the ban list and you do not have the paperwork- leave it at home.
- Two guests maximum per member- for more; written permission is required in advance from the BOD (Board of Directors). You are responsible for your guest and you must stay with your guest at all times while on our property. Kids must stay with adults at all times even in the primitive area.
- **Juniors**, those shooters 17 and under, must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or an adult with a signed permission slip from their parent or legal guardian. **Youth** shooters, 18 to 21, who are members, may not be in possession of a hand gun unless accompanied by a parent or legal guardian or an adult with a signed permission slip (EF&GA rule). Youth members may shoot rifle, shot gun and archery without a parent or guardian. Youth members may bring two guests to the range with the same provisions as above.
- Open or concealed carry of any firearm is not permitted on the Association property. Exception: Peace Officers under color of uniform. Concealed carry is permitted for those with proper, current concealed carry permits.
- Rapid fire is not permitted; defined as shots fired faster than one shot every one to two seconds. As defined by the NRA. Casual shooting RSO has final decision.
- The shooter must be in control of his/her firearm at all times. You are responsible for your firearms at all times.
- Your good attitude is necessary and is appreciated.
- Be responsible and respect the rules and your fellow members.
- Emergency Numbers- Posted on Trap Ramada wall and kitchen, by the telephones.
- Closest fire hydrant is on the South East corner of Lake Wolford Rd and Guejito RD.

- Evacuation plan is posted in the club house and Trap Ramada.
- First aid kits are located on the Pistol and Rifle Ranges, in the Trap Ramada and in the Club House. Shovels for fire control are located in front of Trap Ramada, use gate code combination.
- Fire Extinguishers are located in the Trap Ramada and Club House kitchen.
- Bullets or shot shells that fail to fire when the firing pin strikes the primer; keep the muzzle of the firearm pointing down range and keep the action closed. Wait a minute or so before removing the bad round. Place the bad round in one of the red cylinders located on each range. Please do not throw the bad rounds in the trash, on the ground or in the brass collection buckets.

Cease Fire and the procedures that must be follow:

Anyone can call a *Cease Fire* at any time; a safety issue, target set up or change, etc.

- Immediately cease firing (stop shooting), open the action and remove the live round if present, remove the magazine if so equipped, place the firearm on the shooting bench with the action open, an OCI (Open Chamber Indicator) is preferred, and with the muzzle pointing down range.
- Move behind the yellow line and wait for instructions.
- If your firearm malfunctions, keep the muzzle pointed down range, clear the problem or raise your hand and ask for assistance. Stay on firing line and wait for instructions.
- If you wish to call a cease fire for target change or set-up, casually and politely check with other shooters on the line and ask for a cease fire in some future time, say 5 minutes. This allows those engaged in shooting to empty a magazine, etc.

Hot and Cold Range Terminology for EF&GA :

For casual shooting and possibly sanctioned events at Escondido Fish and Game, the terms Hot and Cold are commonly used. After a **cease fire** is called, firearms are unloaded, actions opened, magazines or clips are removed if so equipped and the firearm is placed on the shooting bench with the barrel pointing down range with the action open, an OCI (Open Chamber Indicator) is preferred. Shooters move behind the Yellow Line. When all shooters are off the firing line and behind the yellow line, the range is declared "COLD" and shooters may go down range, non-shooters stay behind the yellow line. *While the range is "COLD", do not handle any firearm, any equipment or load or unload vehicles.* When the range is declared "HOT", shooters move to the firing line in front of the Yellow line and shooting activities can begin. No one advances in front of the red firing line when the range is Hot.

If you and your guests, if applicable, are the only ones on a range, you control the Hot and Cold conditions. All rules apply.

Pistol Range

- Sign in first. Unload accessory equipment and handle firearms ONLY when the range is HOT, Refer to Cease Fire procedures and Hot and Cold Terminology sections.
- Eye and ear protection required for everyone, including spectators, while in a shooting area. Within 25 feet of the firing line is preferred.
- No shooting forward of the red line.
- All Bullets must impact the backstop – Target placement height on the frame is critical to hitting the back stop.
- One target recommended - two maximum. No political figures or likeness of any person living or dead. Paper targets only. Target backing cardboard size is approximately 24 x 24 inches. Please keep targets as far from the target frame as possible.
- Pistols only, no holstered firearms.
- No cross lane shooting.
- Rapid fire not permitted; defined as shots fired faster than one shot every one to two seconds. As defined by the NRA. Causal shooting RSO has final decision.
- Do not set targets at the 50 yard line during Sanctioned Trap Shooting events.
- Please clean up and sign out when you leave.

Trap Ranges

- Sign in first at Trap Ramada. Unload accessory equipment and handle firearms ONLY when the range is HOT. Refer to Cease Fire Procedures and Hot and Cold Terminology sections.
- Eye and ear protection required for everyone, including spectators, while in a shooting area. Within 25 feet of the firing line is preferred.
- Sanctioned trap events held on Tuesday mornings, Wednesday and Saturday afternoon/evenings, approximately 9:00 p.m.
- For throwing your own targets, check in with the RSO on duty before you unload for permission to shoot. Throw your own birds from the manual trap machine located between trap house one and two. Use of your own trap machine is okay and set-up close to the existing trap machine. Manual throwing your own targets is almost always permitted. Be aware of those on the Pistol Range that may be down range.
- Maximum of 2 rounds loaded at any time, no Exceptions.
- Please clean up and sign out when you leave.
- To pattern your shotgun, use the patterning stand at the bottom of the back stop between the Pistol Range and the Trap Field. Rules and instructions for use follow.

Pattern Stand Rules and Instructions

- Pistol Range & Trap Range MUST Be Cold
- Shotguns Only
- No Steel Shot Shall Be Used. No shot larger than #4.
- Trap Master must approve use during trap functions
- Report any malfunction or damage to Trap Master.
- Basic Instructions:
 - Lift front handle and pull paper down to bottom bar.
 - Use clips to hold paper on sides, if windy clip to bottom.
 - Use black marker to place a 3" circle in center of paper.
(marker is velcroed to bottom of paper holder, Please put it back)
 - Aim and shoot at the 3" circle.
 - There are cement pavers at 30, 35, and 40 yards.
 - Unclip and tear paper cleanly at top bar.
 - Leave clips on side bars.
 - Study your pattern at the tables or trap house, not in the field.

Rifle Range 100 yard

- Sign in first. Unload accessory equipment and handle firearms ONLY when the range is HOT. Refer to Cease Fire procedures and Hot and Cold Terminology sections.
- Eye and ear protection required for everyone, including spectators, while in a shooting area. Within 25 feet of the firing line is preferred.
- No shooting forward of the red line.
- Pistols okay only at 50 yards or more.
- Shotgun slugs okay, must impact the backstop.
- All Bullets must impact backstop – Target placement height on the frame is critical to hitting the back stop.
- One target recommended - two maximum- no political figures or likeness of any person living or dead - paper targets only, target backing cardboard size is 24 x 24 inches. Please keep targets as far from the target frame as possible.
- Shoot in your lane, no cross lane shooting.
- Rapid fire not permitted; defined as shots fired faster than one shot every one to two seconds. As defined by the NRA. Causal shooting RSO has final decision.
- Please clean up and sign out when you leave and return shooting bench to its original position if moved for prone shooting.

Rifle Range 150 Yard

- Sign in first. Unload accessory equipment and handle firearms ONLY when the range is HOT. Refer to Cease Fire Procedures and Hot and Cold Terminology sections.
- Eye and ear protection required for everyone, including spectators, while in a shooting area. Within 25 feet of the firing line is preferred.
- No shooting forward of the red line.
- No Pistols allowed - No Exceptions.
- Shotgun slugs okay, must impact the backstop.
- All Bullets must impact backstop – Target placement height on the frame is critical to hitting the backstop.
- One target recommended - two maximum- no political figures or likeness of any person living or dead - paper targets only, target backing cardboard size is approximately 24 x 24 inches. Please keep targets as far from the target frame as possible.
- #1 and #2 positions are reserved for prone shooting, but prone shooting is okay in other positions. Replace the shooting bench if you move it.
- No shooting permitted on the 15 and 25 yard line.
- Shoot in your lane, no cross lane shooting.
- Rapid fire not permitted; defined as shots fired faster than one shot every one to two seconds. As defined by the NRA. During causal shooting, the on-duty RSO has final decision.
- Please clean up and sign out when you leave. Please return shooting bench to its original position if you moved it for prone shooting.

Archery Range

- Sign in and out at the Pistol Range.
- No firearms permitted.
- Please clean up and sign out before you leave.

Primitive Camping Area

- Sign in on the green sheet located in the box at the entrance to the area.
- Permission to camp is required in advance in writing or in email form from the Secretary. The Secretary will explain all rules and expectations.
- Follow all posted rules for the primitive area and all ranges.
- Adult supervision of minors is mandatory at all times.
- No firearms permitted.
- Open fires permitted in the fire rings only and use the permanent BBQ's located in the camping area. Supply your own wood for the fire ring and charcoal for BBQ'ing.
- Tents only, no vehicles in camping area other than to unload and load. Vehicle or trailer camping permitted outside of the fence line.
- Please clean up and sign out before you leave.