Range Regulations

It is **your responsibility** to read, understand, and follow the range regulations.



Armstrong Fish & Game Association

CONSERVATION PLEDGE:

I give my pledge as a Canadian to save, and faithfully defend from waste, the natural resources of my country - its soils and minerals, its forest, waters and wildlife

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1. <u>Sign In</u>

- 1.1. Range hours 8 AM to Dusk or 9 PM whichever comes first.
- 1.2. Check our website or Facebook (www.adfga.ca) for notices of any closures or scheduled events.
- 1.3. Members and guests must sign in prior to using the range. You need to be properly signed in to be covered by club insurance. For your security, sign in with first name and membership # only.

\$5.00 fee per guest can be paid at the locked jar near the sign in book.

- 1.4. Confirm with others on the range where you will be shooting as this increases the safety of everyone.
- 1.5. Children must be under the direct supervision of an adult at all times and must wear ear and eye protection.
- 1.6. Dogs must be on leash and controlled at all times. No dogs are allowed on any of the three ranges. Hunting dog training is allowed on leash. Please clean up after your dog.
- 1.7. Dogs or children should NEVER be left unattended in vehicles during hot weather at any location including the range.
- 1.8. Current club membership cards must be produced if asked by any other member or you will be asked to leave.

2. Members and Guests

- 2.1. Consumption of alcohol and/or drugs is prohibited during range use.
- 2.2. Members and guests are responsible for having their firearms properly registered and appropriate certificates and firearms license in their possession.
- 2.3. Guests (or members) who do not have a PAL (restricted or non restricted) must be under the direct and immediate supervision of a PAL holder.
- 2.4. A maximum of two guests are permitted per membership per day. A family membership counts as a single membership. A local person may only be a guest five times in a calendar year. Attending a public shooting event does not count towards a person's limit. *Guest fees for pistol and trap nights will receive member pricing for first night trial, guest rates apply for any future participation.
- 2.5. Members are responsible for ensuring that their guests follow range safety regulations.
- 2.6. Guests are under the direct supervision of the member who brought them at all times. Guests must shoot from the same range table as the supervising host. It is not fair to paid members to have multiple tables taken by guests.

Safe handling of firearms is the responsibility of the member who has brought his or her guest. This is not possible if guests are at a table 10 feet from the host being unsupervised.

- 2.7. No smoking is permitted due to fire hazard in the range area.
- 2.8. No hunting is allowed on range property.
- 2.9. All spectators must remain behind the safety line. Ear and eye protection must be worn during live fire.

3. <u>Flags</u>

- 3.1. Confirm who the designated Range Officer is; this will be the only person who is allowed to change out the flags.
- 3.2. ENTRANCE FLAG;

Upon entry change to RED FLAG = Range is Active

SHOOTING LINE FLAG:

GREEN FLAG= Range is Clear RED FLAG = Range is Active

When the last person leaves the building, please switch the entrance flag to GREEN FLAG

3.3. One person on the firing line must accept the responsibility of being the designated Range Officer. The designated Range Officer is responsible for confirming the range is clear with a visual inspection of the range and targets. He or she will then confirm with all members and guests that eye and ear protection is in place before switching out the firing line flag to

RED FLAG and verbally declaring the" Range is hot" OR "Load and Commence fire".

- 3.4. Firearms can then be handled and magazines loaded. Live fire can then commence.
- 3.5. No members or guests should ever set foot forward of the firing line with a Red flag in place; this includes times when you are shooting alone.
- 3.6. Upon calling a "Cease fire", the designated Range Officer must confirm with all shooters that the range is changing to a GREEN FLAG and that all firearms must be proven safe, actions left open and set on the shooting tables before anyone is allowed on the range to inspect or change out targets.

ANY PERSON ON THE LINE CAN CALL A CEASE FIRE FOR SAFETY REASONS, THIS WILL BE CALLED IN CONFIRMATION BY THE DESIGNATED RANGE OFFICER.

*ABSOLUTELY No handling of tabled firearms is allowed when members or guests are on the course, this includes the loading of magazines.

3.7. Replace the GREEN FLAG at the entrance when you are the last to leave the range.

4. Range Usage

- 4.1. If someone is using the range when you arrive check with them to determine who will act as designated Range Officer. This is known as an informal firing line.
- 4.2. Range users will obey the commands of the designated range officer.
- 4.3. Abusive language, harassment, horseplay or any unsafe act is unacceptable and could lead to loss of your club membership.
- 4.4. Use approved targets only. No glass or junk may be used as targets. Archery targets are for arrows only.
- 4.5. Approved Movable target stands must have plastic tubing or wooden bases and only wooden post uprights to utilize paper targets fixed to cardboard panels. The stand must be placed so that the bullet hits the designated sand backstop and not the rifle target stands. Please ensure stands do not obstruct other shooters in any way. Get approval from all shooters on the firing line before setting up.
- 4.6. Ground targets are not an approved target at either the handgun or rifle range
- 4.7. Dispose of brass, duds, etc. in the proper containers.
- 4.8. Remove all targets from the range when you are finished.
- 4.9. Please do not shoot target posts or fix targets directly to posts. The uprights are now clearly visible. Not shooting the posts will help increase the lifespan of the targets and keep material and membership costs down.
- 4.10. Use the garbage bins for disposal of targets, etc. Do not use the bins to dispose of your household garbage. Please take home a much as you can.
- 4.11. Leave the range clean for the next user.

When sweeping up used cartridges, please realize that this will stir up dust contaminated with lead particles. Sweeping extremely slowly will be appreciated by fellow members, and keep everyone in better health.

Health Warning;

Many bullets and explosive primers in cartridges have lead components. Washing of hands and face with cold water is suggested to remove lead before eating or drinking. Clothing worn at the range should be washed separately. Footwear can also become contaminated. Be aware and make your own decisions on appropriate actions to keep you and your family healthy.

5. Range Safety

- 5.1. Obey all commands of the designated range officer immediately.
- 5.2. If you are handling your firearm in a careless or unsafe manner you will be asked to leave and you could lose your club membership.
- 5.3. Any accident, damage, or injury must be reported immediately to the Secretary and President of the club.
- 5.4. Treat every firearm as loaded at all times.
- 5.5. Unload your firearm when not in use.
- 5.6. Ear and eye protection must be used when shooting.
- 5.7. Rifles may be uncased on the benches behind the firing line. Uncased rifles must be placed in racks with actions open until you are ready and permitted to take them to the firing line. Once at the firing line, trigger locks can be removed and the rifle again proven safe.
- 5.8. Restricted Handguns should remain within a locked case until you are ready and permitted to take them forward to the firing line. Once at the firing line, trigger locks can be removed and the firearm again proven safe.
- 5.9. Firearms are to be worked on and loaded only at the firing line.
- 5.10. Get permission before touching someone else's firearm.
- 5.11. When at the firing line, keep the muzzle of your firearm pointed down range at all times.
- 5.12. Shoot only at your own target. No cross range shooting.
- 5.13. Do not place your finger on the trigger until your firearm is pointing at your target and you are ready to fire.
- 5.14. During a cease fire all rifles must be unloaded and placed on the firing line table, unloaded, magazines out and action open OR in the rifle stand, unloaded, magazines out and actions open.
- 5.15. During a cease fire all handguns must have the cylinder or action open, magazine out, chamber clear. They are to be placed on the tables at the firing line and not touched until the range office directs that they may be loaded.

- 5.16. Guns may be carried in an external holster inside the range buildings as long as the firearm is unloaded until you are at the firing line preparing to shoot. The designated Range Officer must check the gun to ensure it is safe and declare it safe. Loaded guns in holsters may not be carried down range or in the parking lots.
- 5.17. Stand well behind the firing line until the range has been made active.
- 5.18. Do not distract another shooter when he/she is shooting.

5.19. *ABSOLUTELY No handling of tabled firearms is allowed when members or guests are on the course, this includes the loading of magazines.

5.20. Members are asked to report people who are not following the rules. Problems can only be solved if the club executive knows about them.

+ FIRST AID KITS ARE LOCATED IN THE RANGE ENCLOSURES AND THE CLUBHOUSE

IN ANY EMERGENCY, TRY TO REMAIN CALM, IMMEDIATELY CALL A CEASE FIRE, OFFER ASSISTANCE AND FIRST AID IF CONFIDENT.

CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY WITH ANY LIFE THREATING INJURY .

6. <u>Common Range Commands</u>

The designated range officer should allow at least 3 seconds between commands and will visually confirm that each command has been followed.

- 6.1. The range is active; bring your firearms to the firing line.
- 6.2. Ready on the firing line? (confirm eye and ear protection in place)
- 6.3. Dedicated Range Officer switches the flag to RED and at the same time gives a verbal announcement

"Range is Hot!" OR "Load and Commence fire!"

- 6.4. Cease fire! Cease fire! Cease fire! Range Officer confirms with all shooters.
- 6.5. Clear your firearms (cylinder or action open, magazine out, chamber clear)
- 6.6. All Clear? (Check)
- 6.7. Actions open, magazines removed, proven safe.
- 6.8. Rack or table your rifle, lay down your handgun.
- 6.9. Designated Range Officer will get acknowledgement from all shooters that

"Range in now Closed!" Or "Range is Cold!"

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The GREEN Flag is put up and the range officer allows for targets to be changed out.

- 6.10. "Range is clear" announced. Go forward, score/repair/replace targets.
- 6.11. When members or guests are down range, anyone in the building must remain behind the firing line/safety line.

7. Range Layout

This is a multi-use shooting facility located at: 1428 Reservoir Road, Armstrong, BC.

The range facility has three ranges and a forth under construction

The Dedicated Handgun range is currently under construction but not active at this time.

Handgun/Rifle Range Shotgun Range Archery Range Dedicated Handgun range *under construction



- 7.1. Handgun/Rifle Range Location: Description: No. of firing points: Firing Distances: Approved firearms: Maximum Approved calibers Approved Targets: Approved Ammunition only:
- 7.2. Shotgun Range

Location: Description: No. of firing points: Firing Distances: Approved firearms: Maximum Approved calibers: Approved Targets: Approved Ammunition only:

Absolutely No shotgun use is permitted when archery range is active.

7.3. Archery Range Location: Description: Firing Distances: Approved bows:

Absolutely no firearms allowed on this range for any reason

*Dedicated Handgun/Pistol range is currently under construction.

8. Emergency Information

8.1. Emergency phone numbers

R.C.M.P. 911 Ambulance 911 Fire 911

8.2. Contact information

Mailing Address:

Box 454 Armstrong, BC V0E 1B0 **Web:** www.adfga.ca **Email:** adfga2011@hotmail.com **Range and Bookings:** Don: 250-308-6766 **Range:** 1428 Reservoir Road, Armstrong, BC

9. MAP to 1428 Reservoir Road, Armstrong, BC



The Vital Acts of Firearm Safety

<u>A.C.T.S.</u>

- Assume every firearm is loaded
- Control the muzzle direction at all times
- Trigger finger must be kept off the trigger and outside the trigger guard
- See the firearm is unloaded-PROVE it safe

<u>P.R.O.V.E.</u>

- Point in a safest available direction
- Remove the magazine / all cartridges
- Observe the chamber
- Verify the feeding path
- Examine the bore