

## **KINNICUM FISH & GAME RANGE RULES** **FOR MEMBERS AND THEIR GUEST(S)**

SHOOTING HOURS: MON-SAT 8:00AM TO SUNSET,  
SUN 10:00AM TO SUNSET  
EXCEPT AT ORGANIZED EVENTS

ALL MEMBERS MUST GO THROUGH A RANGE SAFETY CERTIFICATION EVERY 3 YEARS

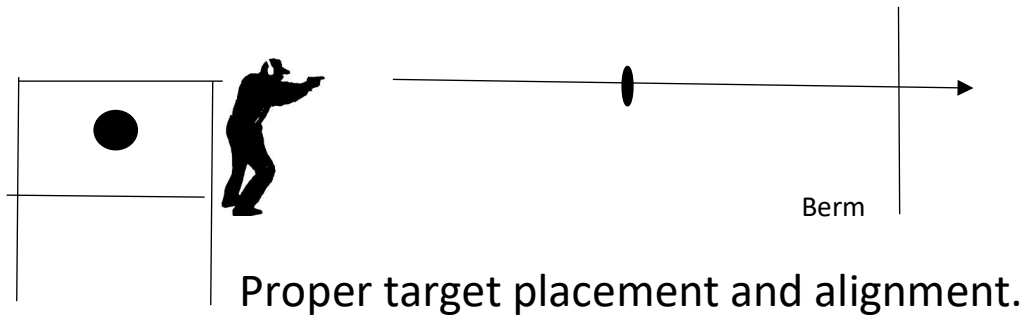
### **The following rules apply to ALL ranges at Kinnicum Fish & Game Club:**

- Shooters and spectators *MUST* wear appropriate eye and ear protection.
- Shooters under sixteen (16) years of age *MUST* be under direct adult (aged eighteen (18) or older) member supervision while handling guns and/or ammunition, and/or shooting.
- All shooters who wish to go downrange must verify the range is “*COLD*”, safe, and firearm actions will be unloaded and open. When any people are downrange, handling of firearms is forbidden. Cased firearms may not be removed from their cases while the range is “*COLD*”.
- When a range has been declared “*COLD*” and anyone is downrange, handling of firearms is strictly prohibited, and shooters must step back away from the firing line.
- Firearms are to be loaded on the firing line only – muzzle pointed down range at all times.
- Magazines and ammunition may be handled away from the firing line during this time.
- Actions and bolts are to be open at all times when not on the firing line.
- *NO HANDLING* of firearms and bows after consuming alcohol.
- The presence, possession, consumption, or evidence of use of illegal drugs is strictly and totally forbidden on Kinnicum Fish & Game Club property.
- Medically prescribed drugs or medicines that impair normal bodily functions or impair judgment needed to be in total control of your firearms or archery equipment is strictly and totally forbidden in the range areas. The use of such drugs prior to using the ranges or on the ranges will be reasonable grounds to bar a person from the ranges.
- No more than two guests per member – for exemptions contact the Board of Directors.
- Guests *MUST* be accompanied by a current club member who will be responsible for their conduct while on club property (except for events open to the public).
- No shooting in an unsafe manner.
- An uncapped or unprimed muzzleloader, which cannot be easily unloaded except by firing, may be considered unloaded. Such firearm must always be pointed in a safe direction.
- No fully automatic firearms allowed.
- For safety reasons, the use of any mechanical aids or accessories whose sole purpose is to increase the rate of fire on a rifle, pistol or shotgun may not be used.
- Firearm silencers or suppressors are permitted on the ranges.

- All spent shells, targets, and shooting debris shall be removed or disposed of in appropriate containers by the person using them. Dumpsters are provided at the clubhouse and at the outdoor ranges. Dumpsters are for club waste disposal only, they are not to be used for member's household trash.
- No live ammunition in trash cans. Place duds into "Duds Bucket" provided on Range #: 3 (50 yard range) and Range #: 5 (100 yard range).
- Range #: 1 Archery only
- No broad heads on archery targets.
- Range #: 7 (Cowboy Town) is *NOT* for individual use.
- Range #: 8 (Sporting Clays Course) is *NOT* for individual use.
- Time limit on ranges is forty five (45) minutes if other shooters are waiting.
- No rifle or pistol shooting on Range #'s: 9 (trap field), 10 (patterning board), 11 & 12 (Archery Tower & Archery Butts).
- Any member of the board of directors may, at any time, require any person to leave the property, or close one or more of the ranges.
- All serious injuries and accidents shall be reported promptly to a board member.
- Any member may contact a director to report a safety violation.
- Members shall wear their club membership card in clear view while on club premises. Any Director or club member may request to see the membership card at any time and the membership card shall be produced for inspection.
- **Members must know where the trauma kits are located.**

### **Target Rules:**

- No using trash for targets – *PICK UP AFTER YOURSELF!* Trash includes, but is not limited to glass, cans, scrap wood and aluminum.
- Only One target in center of club frames
- All targets must be placed and positioned so that shooting is level with the deck (approximately four (4) feet from ground to center of target), (except when approved for a special event).
- Kinnicum supplied target frames and/or Kinnicum approved target frames *ONLY*.
- Paper targets and cardboard silhouettes may be used.
- Metal, Metal Spinning, Knockdown, or suspended gong targets may be used. They must be placed immediately in front of the terminal berm. These targets must *NOT* be placed directly on the ground.
- Personal metal targets and personal target frames must be approved by the BOD.
- Clay and other targets may be placed against the terminal berm.
- No targets shall be placed directly on the ground, including, but not limited, commercial ground targets (balls, etc.).
- Shooting at non-targets, to include but not limited to such items as rocks, trees, buildings, signs, lights, cameras, etc. is not allowed.
- Shooting on designated ranges only – no cross-range shooting, no shooting in non-range areas.
- No clay targets are to be thrown on any ranges except the trap field and sporting clays course unless otherwise specified.
- Exploding bullets or targets are not allowed.
- No targets shall be placed on side berms.



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## List of Ranges:

<b>Range #</b>	<b>Description</b>
Range #: 1	Archery Range
Range #: 2	45 Yard Range
Range #: 3	50 Yard Range
Range #: 4	Fixed Distance 11 Yard Range
Range #: 5	100 Yard Range
Range #: 6	200 Yard Range located <i>in</i> Range #: 5 ( <i>Closed to Non-Event use</i> )
Range #: 7	Cowboy Town ( <i>Closed to Non-Event use</i> )
Range #: 8	Sporting Clays Course ( <i>Closed to Non-Event use</i> )
Range #: 9	Trap Field
Range #: 10	Patterning Board located <i>in</i> Range 9
Range #: 11	Archery Tower
Range #: 12	Archery Butts

*Map of Kinnicum Fish & Game Club follows Range Rules and Safety Sections*

## **The following rules apply to specific ranges at Kinnicum Fish & Game Club:**

- 1. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 1**
  - Archery Range – No Broadheads allowed

## **2. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 2 (45 Yard Range):**

- Acceptable firearms on this range are .22 rim fire rifles, handgun and center fire pistols only. Acceptable ammo is .22 rim fire and center fire pistol calibers only.
- Prohibited on this range are all center fire rifles, center fire rifle cartridges and shotguns. Prohibited ammo is all armor piercing and steel core bullets.
- Target holders may not be placed any closer than twenty (20) yards (except when approved for a special event). The twenty (20) yard line is marked on either side of the range at twenty (20) yards.
  - Each one degree of error in aim produces a miss of six inches off target at ten yards. Each one degree error in aim results in a shot more than thirty one (31”) inches off target at fifty (50) yards!
- Shooters wanting to shoot closer than twenty (20) yards must set up their targets immediately in front of the terminal berm.
  - Shooters must designate a range safety officer to establish the firing line and maintain safety and order on the range. A shooter shooting alone will act as their own range safety officer.
  - In the event others arrive at the range desiring to shoot from the bench the firing line will be reestablished at the bench and the distance of shooting must be from twenty (20) to forty five (45) yards within 45 minutes.
  - There is to be no handling of firearms behind any established firing line.
- No targets are to be placed directly on the ground.

## **3. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 3 (50 Yard Range):**

- Acceptable firearms on this range are center fire and rim fire rifles and pistols, black powder firearms and shotguns using slug or #4 buckshot or larger (i.e.: #3, #2, #1, 0, 00, 000).
- Target holders may not be placed any closer than twenty five (25) yards from the bench (except when approved for a special event).
  - Each one degree of error in aim produces a miss of six inches off target at ten yards. Each one degree error in aim results in a shot more than thirty one (31”) inches off target at fifty (50) yards!
- Shooters wanting to shoot closer than twenty five (25) yards must set up their targets in front of the terminal berm and behind the target frame holder protective berm.
  - Shooters must designate a range safety officer to establish the firing line and maintain safety and order on the range. A shooter shooting alone will act as their own range safety officer.
  - In the event others arrive at the range desiring to shoot from the bench the firing line will be reestablished at the bench and the distance of shooting must be from twenty five (25) to fifty (50) yards within 45 minutes.
  - There is to be no handling of firearms behind any established firing line.

- No targets are to be placed directly on the ground.

#### **4. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 4 (Fixed Distance 11 Yard Range):**

- Acceptable firearms on this range are pistol caliber only.
- **Maximum number of active shooters is limited to two (2).**
- All targets must be placed in the fixed target frame holder.
- This is a fixed distance range *ONLY*. The firing line is collinear with the bench on Range #: 3 or closer. There is no shooting allowed from behind this line.
- No targets are to be placed on the side berms.
- No targets are to be placed directly on the ground.

#### **5. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 5 (100 Yard Range):**

- Acceptable firearms on this range are center fire and rim fire rifles and pistols, black powder muskets and shotguns using slug.
- **This range is closed when Range #: 6 (200 Yard Range) is in use.**
- Target holders may not be placed any closer than fifty (50) yards (except when approved for a special event). The fifty (50) yard line is marked on either side of the range at 50 yards.
  - Each one degree of error in aim produces a miss of six inches off target at ten yards. Each one degree error in aim results in a shot more than thirty one (31") inches off target at fifty (50) yards and over sixty two (62") inches at one hundred (100) yards!
- No targets are to be placed directly on the ground.

#### **6. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 6 (200 Yard Range - Closed Range):**

- This range is closed and may *NOT* be used by members, except during Kinnicum sanctioned events.
- **Ranges #: 5 (100 Yard Range), 9 (Trap Field) and 10 (Patterning Board) MUST be closed when Range #: 6 (200 Yard Range) is in use.**

**7. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 7 (Cowboy Town - Closed Range):**

- This range is closed and may *NOT* be used by members, except during Kinnicum sanctioned events.

**8. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 8 (Sporting Clays - Closed Range):**

- This range is closed and may *NOT* be used by members, except during Kinnicum sanctioned events.

**9. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 9 (Trap Field):**

- Acceptable firearms on this range are shotguns using shot size #7 ½ or smaller (i.e.: 8, 8 ½, 9, etc.).
- **This range is closed when Range #: 10 (Patterning Board) is in use.**
- **This range is closed when Range #: 6 (200 Yard Range) is in use.**
- *ALL* Target throwing devices and shooters *MUST* be in line. Shooters *MUST NOT* be behind throwing devices *AND* throwing devices *MUST NOT* be behind shooters.
- When using manual trap throwers it is not permissible to use the 5-Stand shooting positions.
- No targets are to be placed directly on the ground.

**10. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 10 (Patterning Board):**

- Acceptable firearms on this range are shotguns using any shot except buck shot or slugs.
- **This range is closed when Range #: 9 (Trap Field) is in use.**
- **This range is closed when Range #: 6 (200 Yard Range) is in use.**
- Time limit on range is fortyfive (45) minutes if shooters are waiting to use Range #: 9 (Trap).
- No targets are to be placed directly on the ground.

**11. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 11 (Archery Tower):**

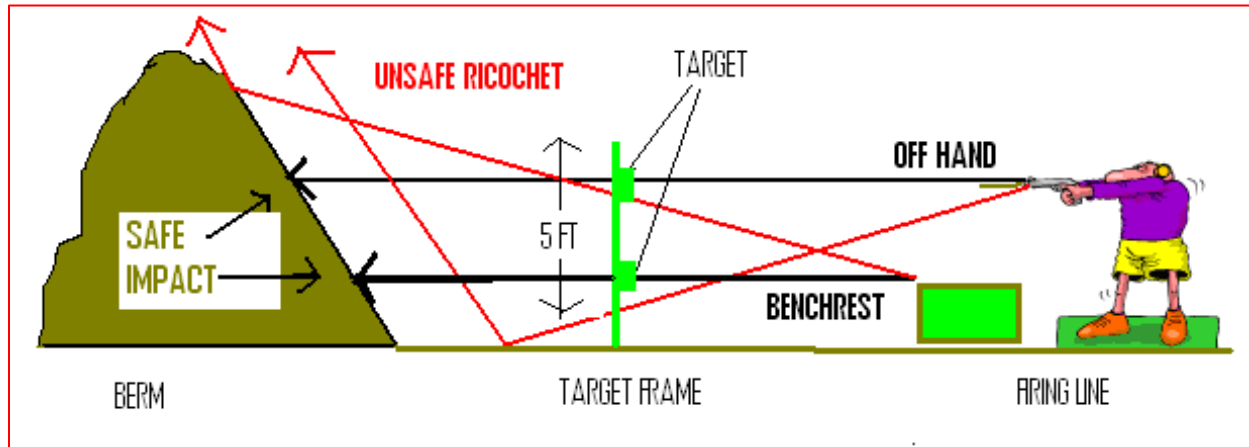
- Broad heads may *NOT* be used on Kinnicum targets or butts.
- **Maximum number of active shooters is limited to one (1).**

**12. Range Rules Specific for Range #: 12 (Archery Butts):**

- Broad heads may *NOT* be used on Kinnicum targets or butts.
- Maximum number of active shooters is limited to one (1) per target.

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# GUIDE TO SHOOTING SAFELY ON OUTDOOR RANGES



In our ongoing attempt to achieve the nth degree of safety, I will cover the proper way to shoot on the outdoor ranges. Now I know what you are about to read is probably redundant, but the club would not be acting to our best safety abilities if the subject was not brought up from time to time.

- ✓ *Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.*
- ✓ *Always keep your finger outside of the trigger guard until you are ready to shoot.*
- ✓ *Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.*

**When you are shooting at shorter distances on the range (i.e. 50 yards on 100 yard range or 25 yards on 50 yard range) the instructors have stressed the importance of placing the target frame at the main berm and backing up the distance you wish to shoot from, thus the main berm is immediately behind the target and the bullet will impact safely.**

A good rule of thumb for most shooting is to place the target so that the bulls eye is at the same height as the firearm when it is held level and in the position you would be firing from, be it the bench rest or offhand. Hold the firearm in the position you want to shoot and imagine just where the bullet will impact. If you feel the target is positioned properly, fire one round and observe where it lands. If it impacts the berm safely, then continue to fire and have fun.

If it doesn't hit where it should, now is the time to make corrections to the placement of the target. When the line is safe, go forward and raise or lower the target accordingly. Once you have found where to place the target for each position that you shoot from, make a mental note of the height from the ground that the bull's eye is located. Again, fire one round and observe. If



everything is ok, continue shooting. Otherwise, move the target again until it is set properly. Each one degree of error in aim produces a miss of six inches off target at ten yards. Each one degree error in aim results in a shot more than thirty one (31") inches off target at fifty (50) yards!

This may sound like a lot of needless effort, but believe me, there is no shortcut to safety. Once you get used to the proper placement, the next time you shoot should be a piece of cake!

Look at the above drawing for an example of proper target placement. You will notice that shooting at a high target from a low position or a low target from a high position will more than likely cause a ricochet and the potential for a wayward projectile.

Remember the safety course you took prior to becoming a member? You were told that in informal shooting, you are a Range Officer when you are on the range. This means it is up to you to see that safe practices are observed at all times. If another shooter appears to be having problems in the area that I have just covered, then lend them a hand to correct it and both of you will feel better for having achieved the  $n$ 'th degree of safety.

### **Ten Commandments of Firearm Safety:**

1. Treat every firearm as though it were loaded.
2. Keep firearms unloaded until ready to shoot.
3. Always be sure barrel and action are clear of obstructions
4. Never leave your gun unattended unless you unload it first.
5. Do not run, jump, or climb with a loaded firearm.
6. Check your barrel and ammunition.
7. Always keep the muzzle under control and pointed in a safe direction.
8. Never point a firearm at something that you do not want to shoot.
9. Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.
10. Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until you are ready to shoot.

# Map of Kinnicum Fish & Game Club

