# **SECTION 2: RANGE SAFETY, RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

#### **RULES OF FIREARMS SAFETY:**

- 1) Treat All Guns as Though They are Loaded
- 2) Never point the muzzle at anything you are not willing to destroy
- 3) Always keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
- 4) Always be sure of your target and what is beyond

#### **COLD RANGES:**

All SCCC Ranges, Bays and shooting areas operate as COLD RANGES. The rules of COLD RANGES are as follows:

- All firearms must be unloaded at all times
- Handguns must be holstered at all times or clearly visible with actions open and muzzles pointed safely downrange
- Shouldered firearms must at all times be clearly visible with actions open and muzzles pointed safely downrange
- Unloaded firearms may only be handled in SAFE ZONES
- Loaded firearms may only be handled:
  - On the firing line, facing downrange, preparing to shoot.
  - While actively engaged with shooting
  - When loading and unloading of a personal defense gun on the firing line of a cleared bay with muzzle point safely downrange.
- Loaded firearms may only be carried:
  - On the firing line, when preparing to shoot.
  - By lawfully authorized individuals present in shooting areas for non-shooting activities, provided that handguns remains holstered at all times.
  - By lawfully authorized individuals outside of shooting areas on SCCC property, provided that handguns remains holstered at all times.

## **SAFE ZONE RULES:**

- Handling of UNLOADED firearms may only be done in areas marked SAFE ZONES. Rules for SAFE ZONES are as follows:
  - Safe Zones are defined as areas that may be used to pack, unpack or holster a gun, cleaning or repair a firearm, and dry firing and train with empty magazines.
  - All SCCC shooting areas will have zones designated as SAFE ZONES.
  - Ammunition and loaded magazines may NOT be brought into safes zones.
  - Loaded firearms may NOT be brought into safe zones.
  - Firearms may NOT be loaded or unloaded in Safe Zones.

### **GENERAL RANGES RULES:**

- A. HOURS: Ranges are open for general use 7 days a week from 8:00 a.m. to sunset. Shooting activities after dark are PROHIBITED except during Club sponsored events.
- B. SAFETY: The basic rules of firearms safety will be observed at all times
- C. SAFE ZONES: Handling of UNLOADED firearms may only be done in areas marked **SAFE ZONES**.
- D. COLD RANGE: All SCCC Ranges, Bays and shooting areas operate as **COLD RANGES**.
- E. FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION: items strictly PROHIBITED from use include:
  - a All fully-automatic weapons.

- b Long guns chambered in centerfire rifle calibers.
- c Handguns chambered in centerfire rifle calibers.
- d Muzzleloaders that use smokeless powder.
- e Shotgun slugs
- f Tracer, incendiary, steel core and exploding ammunition.
- F. IMPACT: Targets must be set to a height that ensures bullets impact the berms. Targets may NOT be set in a manner where bullets impact the ground. Shooting must take place from 5 foot and further from the inside of the bay. Shooting from outside of the bay is PROHIBITED.
- G. TARGETS: Targets must be made of paper, cardboard, stationary or reactive steel targets or other targets approved by the Board. Shooting at targets of opportunity (glass bottles, cans, wildlife, rocks, barrels, etc.); targets designed to be placed on the ground (self-healing, bouncing or ground reactive targets); or exploding is PROHIBITED
- H. DISTANCE: steel targets may NOT be shot at distances less than 25 feet.
- I. SUPPORTS: Target stands and sticks are to remain in the bays were they are located and not moved to other bays. Additional stands and sticks can be requested/obtained from Club officers or Board members. Disassemble and stack stands and sticks in the bay and return to designated racks when finished shooting.
- J. CLEANING: Members are responsible for cleaning up the bay they used. This includes picking up all trash, removing shell casings or hulls and returning target materials to the designated areas.
- K. TRASH: SCCC property operates as Carry-IN, Carry-Out. If you bring it in, you take it out. There will be no trash containers available on the ranges. . Members will clean up the bay used, and remove or dispose trash.
- L. PROTECTION: Shooters are required to wear both hearing and eye protection at all times when on shooting ranges.
- M. TRAP RANGE: Firing of rifles, pistols or muzzle loaders anywhere on the trap range is PROHIBITED. Only one shell is to be loaded at the Trap field unless shooting doubles. An orange safety marker is placed above the trap house to indicate that personnel within the trap house want to exit. All guns must be unloaded and pointed down at this time.
- I. MATCHES: Use of pistol bays that have been set up for scheduled matches is PROHIBITED; targets, stands and props will not be used or removed.
- J. SCCC is not held responsible for any theft, loss or damage of personal articles.
- K. EMERGENCY: In the event of an emergency on Club premises:
  - a Call 9-1-1. Speak firmly and calmly. Give the dispatcher the Club's address AND the front gate code.
  - b Render aid.
  - c Facilitate the arrival of First Responders; if possible, meet them at the gate and escort them to victim.
  - d Unload and secure all firearms.
  - e Notify a Club Officer or Board Member as soon as possible.
- L. ACCIDENTS: All accidents and injuries occurring on Club property or at Club events must be reported to a Club officer. A written account will be submitted if requested.