

Massasoit Gun Club Range Rules



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- 1) Know your:
 - a. Firearm (operation and handling characteristics).
 - b. Ammunition (compatibility and handling characteristics).
 - c. Target (target area and backstop compatibility).
- 2) No handling of firearms (dry fire, snapping in, or cleaning) in club house areas (gun cleaning room only).
 - a. Exception is for sanctioned events with MGC Range Officer present.
- 3) While in the "Cleaning Room", do not handle any **ammunition** or a **loaded firearm**.
- 4) Appropriate eye and ear protection must be worn prior to entering both ranges.
- 5) Exercise muzzle discipline (muzzle always pointing downrange). Be especially careful not to point firearm along the firing line while manipulating the slide, performing reloads, etc..
- 6) Keep finger off the trigger until you are ready to fire.
- 7) No 'combat shooting' (drawing from the holster) allowed, or shooting forward of the firing line, without MGC Range Officers present, or participating in a sanctioned event.
- 8) When on the firing line, and a shooter wishes to remove his/her firearm from a holster:
 - a. The firing line must be cleared
 - b. The firearm is removed from the holster (strong side to shooting port)
 - c. The firearm is then cleared and placed on the firing line (shooting port)
- 9) No one allowed down range or in front of the firing line, until the entire line has been verified as "safe" (red strobe light on).
- 10) Minimum distance for targets is 25 feet.
- 11) Absolutely no 'cross port' shooting.
- 12) It is the shooter's responsibility to sweep up the brass (behind the firing line) at the end of shooting or sooner if it poses a safety problem.
- 13) No smoking inside the buildings.
- 14) Food or drink on the firing lines is discouraged (due to lead contamination).
- 15) No alcohol allowed anywhere on the property.
- 16) No <u>rifles</u> larger than .22 caliber rimfire allowed in the 'old range'.
- 17) Rifles that are considered <u>'pistol caliber carbines'</u> (see attached sheet) can <u>only</u> be fired in the 'Baldani Range'.
- 18) If your 'pistol caliber carbine' is not listed on the approved 'pistol caliber carbine' list, please seek individual approval from the executive board.
- 19) All 'pistol caliber carbine' rifles used on the range will be conventional semi automatic only... Absolutely **NO** 'bump firing' or 'bump firing devices' allowed...

- 20) No pistols firing bullets faster than 1600 feet per second (for example Smith & Wesson 500 or FN 5.7) are allowed in the "Old Range".
- 21) Unattended firearms must remain in sight and be left in a safe condition:
 - a. Revolvers
 - i. Benched
 - ii. Cylinder open
 - iii. Pointed in a safe direction (down range)
 - b. Pistols
 - i. Benched (ejection port facing up)
 - ii. Magazine removed
 - iii. Slide locked to the rear or flag safety inserted and slide home
 - iv. Pointed in a safe direction (down range)
 - c. <u>Rifles</u> (pistol caliber carbines)
 - i. Benched (ejection port facing up)
 - ii. Magazine removed
 - iii. Bolt locked to the rear or flag safety inserted on a closed bolt
 - iv. Pointed in a safe direction (down range)
- 22) The club is not responsible for member or guest property. This also applies to lockers provided for MGC members! **DO NOT** store firearms in the lockers!
- All members must display their 'key card' with their membership number displayed so that the number can be seen by other members in the range.

24) Guest Rule:

- a. Guests are not allowed on the firing line of the 'New Range', unless participating in a scheduled event.
- b. All guests must be accompanied by a member in good standing.
- c. Only two guests per member allowed on the firing line at one time.
- d. When guests are firing, member <u>must</u> be observing, not firing with them.
- e. If range is busy, guests must give way to paying members.
- f. All guests must fill out the 'guest log' completely.
- g. All guests will wear a visitor pass in plain sight, so that it can be seen by other members in the range. The visitor ID's are stored near the 'guest log'.
- 25) Once a firearm is loaded, the shooter must maintain control of it (for example... do not place a loaded firearm on the table while adjusting equipment or doing other things).
- In case of a misfire, keep the firearm pointed downrange or on target for approximately thirty (30)seconds (without attempting to fire another shot). Only then should you attempt to clear the problem.

***** Please note that anyone can report a range violation to any member of the Massasoit Gun Club Executive Board. To report any violations or concerns, you can contact board members by phone or online at www.MassasoitGunClub.org. When reporting violations, describe the incident, date, time, membership numbers, and any other information that may be pertinent. Please avoid confrontations with other members............