# **Syracuse Pistol Club Rules and Regulations**

# **Three Basic Rules of Gun Safety**

- ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION
- ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER UNTIL READY TO SHOOT
  - ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN UNLOADED UNTIL READY TO USE.

### 1. Security:

- Members must have their membership cards on them.
- Use YOUR Key FOB to enter the Ranges.
- No loaning of FOBs, holding doors open for others, everyone shall swipe in.
- Don't allow unauthorized people on club property, including media and uninvited guests.

#### 2. Guests:

- An individual may be a shooting guest of one or more members a maximum of 3 times in any 12-month period. They must sign in on the Guest Register Sheet in the clubhouse.
- The member is responsible for the conduct of their guests and must ensure their safe handling of firearms while on the range.
- Guests must read, understand and obey all posted range safety rules.
- A member may bring no more than ONE guest at any one time. With a guest firing, the member shall stand behind him or her to observe only and not shoot.
- Non-shooting guest is allowed to come as often as requested.

# 3. Range Hours: As posted

- Indoor range
  - o 8:00 AM to 10:00 PM, Monday to Saturday
  - o 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM, Sunday
- Outdoor range
  - 8:00 AM to Sunset, Monday to Saturday
  - 10:00 AM to Sunset, Sunday.

#### 4. Range Use Restrictions:

- Scheduled Club activities take precedence over informal shooting
- Review Club Calendar on our website for current events.

#### 5. Ammunition:

- Handguns that fire rifle rounds are not allowed on club ranges except for .17HMR, .22LR and .22 rimfire ammunition.
- No Magnum Ammo except for 22 Win Mag and .17HMR.
- No Shotgun Ammo (Slug or Shot) or Rifle Ammo (except the Ammo above.)

#### 6. Guns:

- No rifles, bullpup guns, fully automatic, select-fire weapons, or shotguns of any kind.
- Exceptions -Small bore rimfire rifles chambered in .17HMR, 22LR, and .22WMR, or allowed pistol caliber carbines (PCCs) in 9mm,.38 Special, .40 S&W or 45ACP or air-propelled .177 pellet or BB guns.

# 7. Targets:

- SPC provides authorized paper targets free of charge. They are the sizes SPC approved.
- Reactive "splat" type of targets or adhesive spots are permitted, within the SPC target size.

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### 8. Eye and Ear Protection:

- Proper eye and ear protection is mandatory for all persons, whether shooting or observing on the indoor and outdoor range.
- Eye and ear protection must be worn prior to entering club ranges and remain on for the duration of shooting.

#### 9. Holsters:

Drawing and shooting from a holster is not allowed outside Action Pistol League.

## 10. Range Safety: All posted signs and notices shall be strictly adhered to.

Always unload all guns after firing and install chamber flag.

#### Indoor Range:

• No one shall go forward of the firing line for the purposes of collecting brass until all guns are rendered safe and the safety light/buzzer is turned on.

### Outdoor Range:

- The outdoor rules are identical to those listed above. Extreme caution must be exercised to be sure that a safe condition exists, and all shooters must be in verbal and visual contact with each other during cease fire conditions.
- All shooters must exercise extreme care to ensure all rounds are fired downrange in to the earthen berm only. No Shooting animals and other wildlife.

### Rendering a firearm safe:

- Guns are considered safe when unloaded with chamber flag installed.
- While shooters are forward of the line, step back from the firing line, no guns or equipment may be handled.

#### Firing Line:

• Shooting forward of the firing line is prohibited.

### Handling of Guns:

- Shooters will take their unloaded firearm, **in its case**, to the firing line. Upon removal from its case, the firearm must be pointed in a safe direction downrange, Chamber flag installed.
- Guns may only be loaded while on the firing line with the muzzle always pointed down range.
- Never remove a loaded gun from the firing line.

#### 11.Children:

- Children under 12 are not permitted on the firing lines.
- Children over 12 are permitted to shoot rimfire rifles.
- Children over the age of 14 are permitted to shoot pistols if they are under the direct supervision of their adult club member relative.
- **12.Pets:** Pets are not permitted in the clubhouse.
- **13.Refreshments:** Neither food nor drink is permitted on the firing lines.
- **14.Intoxicants:** Alcohol or other substances may not be consumed prior to shooting.
- 15.Personal Conduct BE POLITE!
- **16.Surveillance / Monitoring –** Cameras are in use 24x7.
- **17.Smoking:** No Smoking in the clubhouse or Ranges.

All members are responsible to know and understand all the rules and be familiar with the By-Laws.