

# **GUN CLUB RSO DUTIES**

**You observe, control and are responsible for range safety!!!!!!!**

- Ensure no one is down range or in impact area when firing.
- **All guns are considered loaded, always!**
- Know the basic Nellis Gun Club safety rules:
  - Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.**
  - Keep your finger off of the trigger until your sights are on your target.**
  - Be sure of your target and what is beyond it.**
  - Keep the gun unloaded until you are on the firing line.**
- Call “cease fire” any time you see anything you feel is unsafe - it may be the group next to you. Stay aware.
- Ensure targets and grounds are safe for shooting. If steel, check placement distance and angles. Min 15 yards for steel at pistol range and 100 yards at the rifle range (unless Gun Club authorizes otherwise for matches)
- Ensure that trauma kit includes 2 fire extinguishers and is in place on range
- Ensure all firing positions are in line (abreast). No one forward or in back of the firing line.
- When shooting, all shooters will utilize the same firing line for that area. For example on the pistol range, all shooters in that range will shoot from the same distance. They will not shoot from 10 and 15 yard simultaneously
- Ensure guns not firing have magazine out, chamber empty and open and or are closed.
- When people are down range make sure no one is handling a weapon. This includes casing and uncasing.
- Brief your shooters how to handle their firearms and not “flag” (pointing muzzle at a person, even if ever so briefly) each other on the range.
- Ensure muzzle awareness at all times.
- Use only target stands/steel authorized by the gun club. Do not put unauthorized targets into the impact area. Stands are provided for paper targets.
- You must be able to safely load/unload and operate the firearms that will be used by the people you are supervising.
- You must be able to clear stoppages of the firearms your group is using.
- Keep aware of all persons on the range and make sure they are in a safe position and not handling firearms until they are on shooting line.
- Ensure that your cell phone works
  - a. In an emergency **call 911** and tell the operator that you are on the area 2 range on Nellis AFB

- b. The closest hospital is the Mike O'Callaghan federal medical center located 5 miles West of the range, on the other side of Las Vegas BLVD on Rifle Range Road.
- Make sure your area is clean (no brass) and you are responsible to leave it that way. Trash in barrels, return brass to club, shooters may keep their own brass.
- The last RSO to leave the range must secure it
  - Ensure no one is left on range
  - **Lock gate**
  - Lower red flag
- **Gun club phone number is 702-652-1937**
- REPORT ANY ACCIDENT/INJURY/MISHAP/DAMAGE TO THE GUN CLUB ASAP
- Range Safety Protocol:
  - Shotgun specific:
    - Shooters can only load 2 or less shells at a time
    - Loading extra shells can be authorized by gun club management
    - Do not move between stations with a loaded gun (unless in a competition setting)
    - Only 7 ½ shot or smaller may be used
    - Slugs/buck shot may only be used under gun club supervision
    - Shooters at patterning board must be AT LEAST 20 YARDS AWAY
    - **No BUCK SHOT OR SLUGS AT PATTERNING BOARD, EVER!**
    - Be careful not to load 20 gauge (always yellow) shells into a 12 gauge. This allows a 12 gauge to still be loaded and will blow up when fired.  
**No shotguns on pistol or rifle ranges without prior authorization from gun club**
  - Rifle specific:
    - Rifle shooters, if shooting larger than 5.56 caliber, must demonstrate the ability to shoot 3 shots onto an 8.5x11" white sheet of paper at 100 yards
    - Maximum rifle caliber permitted is 30 cal
    - No .338 Lapua or 50 BMG
- **No armor piercing or steel core ammo is allowed on any range**
- AMMUNITION:
  - a. Be sure shooters have the correct ammo, just because it fits does NOT mean it is correct.
  - b. Be aware of the dangers of "Squib" loads, misfires, hang fires, and stoppages. AND BE ABLE TO NEGATE THESE ISSUES SAFELY
    - i. Squib loads are especially dangerous as the bullet or shot/wad does not clear the barrel and another shot is fired the pressure between the lodged bullet or wad and the following one can cause the firearm or barrel to burst likely causing injury to the shooter or others nearby



RIFLE RANGE SAFETY:

10. What is the minimum safe distance for shooting steel at the rifle range?
- 50 feet
  - 100 yards
  - 15 feet
11. What is the largest rifle caliber allowed to be shot at the Nellis gun club?
- 5.56
  - 50 cal BMG
  - 30 cal
  - .338 Lapua
12. What is the required skill to be demonstrated in order to shoot 30 cal rifle at the Nellis gun club?
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13. Can members place their own non-paper targets in the impact area?
- No
  - Yes
  - Only with prior approval from the gun club

PISTOL RANGE SAFETY:

14. What is the minimum safe distance when firing at steel targets on the pistol range?
- 15 yards (or as directed by gun club)
  - 15 feet
  - 15 minutes
  - 10 yards
15. Can a shooter fire at 10 yards while another shooter is firing at 15 yards on the same range?
- Yes
  - No
16. If you observe others across the designated firing line, you should immediately:
- Call "FIRE" and stop shooting
  - Continue shooting
  - Watch them and see if they are in danger
  - Call "CEASE FIRE" and stop shooting
17. The most commonly seen dangerous behavior on a pistol range is
- "Flagging" of other shooters (poor muzzle discipline)
  - Ricochets
  - Use of faulty ammunition

SHOTGUN RANGE SAFETY

18. How many shells may be loaded at a time in a standard setting?
- One
  - Two
  - As many as you can fit in the gun
19. How far back must a shooter be from the patterning board at all times?
- At least 50 yards
  - At least 5 feet
  - At least 20 yards
20. A shooter can move freely between stations with a loaded gun
- True
  - False