

CLUB RULES

DO's

- **Do** report to the Gunshop or on shooting days at the designated parking area.
- **Do** ensure that all firearms are unloaded when arriving at the range; an empty range may be utilized for this purpose. Ranges are run cold. This means that handguns are to remain holstered and unloaded (hammer down) at all times, except when either on the firing line or in a safety area; rifles and shotguns are to remain either bagged or fitted with a safety flag.
- **Do** always treat your firearm as loaded at all times and act in a safe and responsible manner, especially when other members are sharing the range with you.
- **Do** always have your valid firearm license with you and ensure that your guests have theirs with them.
- **Do** take your rubbish home with you or put in designated bins. Please take all your spent shells, cartridges, boxes, packets, targets and any other litter away with you when you leave. Do not leave it at the range.
- **Do** always wear ear and eye protection at all times on the range, even if you are not the one shooting. Ear and eye safety wear is mandatory – this applies to all shooters, spectators and children.
- **Do** keep children off the sand banks backstops and within your control at all times on the range.
- **Do** always be friendly and courteous towards other shooters when on the range.
- **Do** report anyone vandalizing any club equipment or property or any unauthorised visitors, which includes casual off-road bikers and quads. If in doubt, record their license plate details or take photographs and report it to the Gunshop.
- **Do** always ensure that your cigarette is fully extinguished before throwing it on the ground or into the bush. (Preferably take it with you or put in the bins)
- **Do** have fun!

DON'Ts

- **Do Not** consume alcohol or illegal substances of any kind whilst on the shooting range, whether you are shooting or whether you are a spectator. Violation of this rule will result in immediate life banning from the club. The consumption of alcohol outside of the clubhouse area is strictly forbidden. No shooter that has consumed alcohol will be allowed to continue shooting.
- **Do Not** aim your weapon at any person, animal, over the top of the backstop or anywhere up-range. Always keep your firearm pointed down-range, towards the backstop.
- **Do Not** shoot or break glass bottles on any of the ranges or anywhere on the club property. If found breaking glass bottles or distributing other litter anywhere on the property, you will be fined and/or banned from the club for life.
- **Do Not** deliberately shoot holes into the props, equipment or advertising on the range. Props include the drums, poles, barricades, signboards, clubhouse or any other item on the range which could be used as a prop or could be regarded as range equipment.
- **Do Not** shoot the steel plates, poppers, mini-poppers or other steel targets with anything other than a handgun. Rifles will put holes in them and damage them.
- **Do Not** drive or climb up or over the sandbanks. It causes unnecessary soil corrosion and is also extremely unsafe.
- **Do Not** drive fast down to the ranges, there are often pedestrians, animals and children around.

- **Do Not** drive fast on the range gravel roads – the roads are narrow and there is little room for error in the event that you meet another vehicle travelling in the opposite direction especially when arriving and leaving the farm.
- **Do Not** leave your rifles or other firearms on the rifle bench unattended whilst preparing or restoring your targets.
- **Do Not** leave your vehicle unlocked.
- **Do Not** take any of the range equipment home with you. This is theft and will be dealt with in accordance with the law.
- **Do Not** use tracer or other incendiary ammunition on the range as this ammunition can start bush fires.
- **Do Not** dig up the backstops for any reason. You may not retrieve material from the backstops under any circumstances.
- **Do Not** leave litter of any sort on the ranges.
- **Do Not** handle any ammunition within the designated safety area (including loaded magazines). The handling of ammunition (including the loading of magazines) may be done elsewhere on the range. It is our intention to provide a pleasant shooting experience and environment for all our members. Your cooperation in respect of abiding by the above rules will be appreciated. Violation of the rules may lead to suspension of club membership, lifetime banning or possibly criminal prosecution. Should you see anyone not abiding by these rules, please contact the Club Secretary on: admin1@hssc.co.za