



## LIGHTWEIGHT SPORT RIFLE (LSR) & AIRGUN SECTION RULES & PROCEDURES

The following Section Rules and Procedures are supplemental to the standard Home Office approved Range Orders which apply to the PTSC Range.

### 1. GENERAL RULES

- 1.1. No firearm or gun is ever safe (unloaded) unless it is proved to be so. No gun may ever be pointed at another person.
- 1.2. Guns should be taken to the range cased if possible, or if not, carried vertically, muzzle up with the breach open and with safety flags inserted.
- 1.3. For the purpose of these Rules and Procedures, the terms firearm or gun mean the same and include any rifle or pistol.
- 1.4. All shooters and persons present must wear ear protection during shooting.
- 1.5. .22rf LSR shooters who mount the gun on the left shoulder should wear eye protection (either shooting/normal prescription glasses or preferably safety glasses). Other shooters are urged to do likewise.

### 2. SHOOTING SUPERVISORS.

- 2.1. Where inexperienced shooters are present, or if the Duty Officer should so determine, shooting shall only take place in the presence of a non shooting Shooting Supervisor.
- 2.2. Otherwise, and only where all shooters are of known experience, the shooter on the left hand firing point shall act as Shooting Supervisor.
- 2.3. It is the Duty Officer's responsibility to allocate an experienced shooter as Shooting Supervisor for each detail, which is normally of 2 cards duration at 20 yards or as determined by the Duty Officer at 10M or 50M.
- 2.4. The Shooting Supervisor is responsible for the safe conduct of shooting and his/her commands must be followed by all shooters.
- 2.5. THE SHOOTING SUPERVISOR IS AUTHORISED TO ORDER ANY PERSON TO LEAVE THE RANGE WHOSE BEHAVIOUR GIVES RISE TO CONCERN WHERE THE SAFETY OF PERSONS PRESENT COULD BE AT RISK. ANY SUCH INCIDENTS SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY REPORTED TO THE DUTY OFFICER AND A COMMITTEE MEMBER.

### 3. AMMUNITION

- 3.1. Other than Airgun pellets the only ammunition permitted is .22 rimfire (rf) subsonic solid lead point (i.e. not hollow point).

### 4. PROCEDURES

- 4.1. Only the person using a gun, plus an Instructor or Coach if required, may be allowed to occupy a firing point at any one time.

- 4.2. No one may go forward from the firing points before the Shooting Supervisor checks that guns are safe and gives the command to go forward. Guns should not be uncased or cased whilst anyone is forward.
- 4.3. All persons must stand well back beyond arm's length from the firing points when any person has gone forward, and handling of guns, magazines and ammunition is prohibited at this time.
- 4.4. No magazine or gun may be loaded before the Shooting Supervisor gives the command 'Load'. No firearm is to be loaded other than on the firing point and when horizontal to the bench or floor with the muzzle pointed down range.
- 4.5. Firing may only begin when the Shooting Supervisor gives the command to start.
- 4.6. In case of difficulty the shooter must lay down the gun muzzle forwards, stand back from the firing point, and when all shooting has finished shall attract the Shooting Supervisor's attention to request assistance.
- 4.7. Firing must cease if the Shooting Supervisor gives the command 'Stop' at any time.
- 4.8. Shooters should not move about, make unnecessary noise, or pick up empties, until all shooting has finished.
- 4.9. On completion of shooting shooters must ensure that their guns are unloaded, breaches are open and safety flags are inserted in .22rf rifles. All magazines must be removed, unloaded and positioned so that the Shooting Supervisor may check. Magazines must not be reloaded for the next card or detail.
- 4.10. After shooting has finished the Shooting Supervisor must check all guns are made safe. Guns should not be cased until the Shooting Supervisor is satisfied they are safe ( see 4.2 above). The Shooting Supervisor will then give permission to pick up empties and go forward to change targets.

## 5. **20 YARD FIRING POINTS**

- 5.1. .22 rf shooting may only be done on points and targets 2,3,4,and 5.
- 5.2. Airgun shooting may take place on targets 1-6, though points 1 and 6 are of limited space . Firing point 1 and target 1 should not be used in the absence of a table or bench.

## 6. **10 METRE AIRGUN SHOOTING**

- 6.1. 10M Airgun shooting may take place on targets 1-6 once the firing point bench is in place.

## 7. **50 METRE RIFLE SHOOTING**

- 7.1. Red flags must be flown when the 50M Range is in use.
- 7.2. .22rf shooting is only permitted in the prone position.
- 7.3. Air Rifle shooting is permitted in the standing, kneeling, sitting, prone and bench resting positions.