

Comprehensive Range Rules Reference

Clay Target Center



CTC Range Rules

1. Obey all commands from Rangemasters and Line Safety Officers immediately.
2. All shotguns must be uncased at your vehicle.
3. Shooters must check in at the office prior to shooting.
4. All shooters are responsible for their firearms and safe shooting.
5. Only shotguns fired from the shoulder may be used on CTC fields.
6. Shotgun larger than 12 gauge are prohibited.
7. Only lead shot 7-1/2 or smaller are permitted. Non-lead shot is prohibited. And incendiary or tracer shells are not permitted.
8. Shotshells must be standard trap or skeet loads. Hi velocity or magnum loads are not permitted.
9. Shooters and observers must wear ear and eye protection.
10. Break action shotguns must be carried with the actions open and unloaded with the muzzle pointed down, and carried in a manner so that the chamber can be visually inspected. The shotgun must remain unloaded until the shooter is in position and ready to shoot.
11. Non break-open action shotguns – must be unloaded at all times with actions open, with the muzzle pointed up, and carried in a manner so that the open action can be seen. The shotgun must remain unloaded until the shooter is in position and ready to shoot.
12. Shooters may load their guns only while in the shooting station and it is their turn to shoot. After shooting, the shooter must keep the gun pointed down range and must unload prior to stepping out of the shooting station.
13. When not on the shooting station, the gun shall be carried with the action opened and empty. Pumps and semi-automatics will have the bolt open.
14. Should any delay occur prior to shooting, the shotgun must be unloaded and must remain unloaded and opened until conditions are safe to resume shooting.
15. Only one shell may be loaded for Trap singles, and two shells may be loaded only if shooting Trap doubles.
16. Two shells may be loaded when shooting SKEET singles, with the exception of station 8 high house, where only one shell may be loaded.
17. All shooters must pick up their empty shotshells prior to leaving the field.
18. Always stay clear of open skeet windows and trap machines. No shooters may enter trap and skeet houses under any condition.
19. Only shooters, coaches, and referees are permitted on the fields. No spectators are permitted on the field at any time.

Gun Handling Rules

1. Treat every firearm as if it were loaded.
2. Always keep your firearm pointed in a safe direction.
3. Be sure of your target and beyond.
4. Always keep your finger off of the trigger until you are ready to fire.
5. Be sure your gun is safe and operational.
6. Know how to use your gun safely.
7. Use only the correct ammunition for your gun.
8. Never use alcohol or drugs before or during shooting.
9. Shooters need to monitor and store their own guns so they are not accessible to unauthorized shooters.
10. In the event of a misfire or weak report, firearms must be checked for barrel obstructions.

Range Administrative Rules

1. All Shooters are required to pick-up all spent cases.
2. All youth under 16 years must be supervised by parent or responsible adult.
3. Shotgun shooting is restricted to the designated ranges.
4. Only shoulder fired shotguns maybe fired on the trap/skeet field.
5. Only clay target shooting is permitted on the trap/skeet field.
6. Driving off paved roads or parking lots is prohibited.
7. The range speed limit is as posted.
8. All trash must be placed in containers provided.
9. Glass containers are prohibited.
10. This facility is closed to the taking of wildlife.
11. All laws are enforced on this Range per Arizona Revised Statutes 13-1501. Violators will be prosecuted.

Field Etiquette Rules

1. Be observant of others on the range.
2. Be courteous and demonstrate good sportsmanship at all times.
3. Shooters, coaches, and referees **ONLY** on the fields. No spectators on the field.
4. Quiet conversation is requested. Please move back to the Spectator Area to hold a normal/loud conversation.
5. Do not delay your squad -- Others are waiting to shoot.
6. Exercise due caution in picking up fired cases; retrieve only your own.
7. Offensive language will not be tolerated.

Ammunition Restrictions

Permitted ammunition:

Lead shot only

7-1/2 shot and smaller

12-gauge and smaller (12-ga, 16-ga, 20-ga, 28-ga, .410)

Prohibited ammunition includes:

Non-lead shot (no 00 Buckshot)

Shot larger than 7-1/2

Incendiary shells

Tracer shells

Loads greater than standard 2-3/4- inch target loads 3- inch magnum or larger.*

*3" and 3 1/2" shells may be shot at the patterning board only.

Shotshell loads must not exceed 1-1/8 ounces of shot, and velocity cannot exceed ATA, NSSA and NSCA standards. No shotguns larger than 12 gauge are allowed on the range.

Firearms Are Safe Under Any of the Following Conditions:

Break Action Shotguns are considered safe when the action is open, chambers unloaded, the muzzle pointed down, and the receiver placed in such a manner that the empty chambers can be seen.

Transporting a Break Action Shotgun – the firearm should be carried, actions open with the muzzle pointing towards the ground.

Non-Break Open Action Shotguns are considered safe with action is open, chamber unloaded, the muzzle pointed up and the receiver placed in such a manner that the open and empty action can be seen from the front of the person.

Transporting a Non-Break Open Action Shotgun – the firearm must be carried with the action open and the muzzle pointing up.

Children on the Range

Children must be under constant adult supervision and control at all times. All non-shooters must remain behind the entry to any trap or skeet fields. Youth shooters under 16 years of age must be accompanied and supervised by an adult when shooting. Youth 16 years and under must have parental or guardian approval prior to shooting.

Eye / Ear Protection

Eye Glasses with side shields or of wrap around design, meeting the ANSI Z87.1 standard, must be worn. If prescription glasses are needed, Pima County Risk Management will provide Pima County Full-time and Part-time Employees upon request a voucher to purchase safety glasses.

Earplugs, muffs or electronic noise reduction devices are required to be worn when on the field with active shooting occurring.

Smoking Rules

Smoking Must Occur In Designated Smoking Areas Only. The Parking Lot Area is the Designated Smoking Areas for CTC.

Hygiene Rules

- No food may be consumed while working at the shooting line. Food may only be consumed during lunch or regular breaks away from the shooting line in the office, classroom, or warehouse.
- At lunch or other breaks, wash your hands before handling food or drink. Do not put anything into your mouth that may be contaminated by air borne dust or dust from your hands.
- Ensure that eating surface is clean.
- Do not smoke without washing hands first.
- Only food and properly contained beverages may be placed in the office refrigerator.
- Wash hands before and after smoking.