

# VOLUSIA COUNTY GUN AND HUNT CLUB (VCGHC)

## RANGE RULES AND OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

1. Shooting hours are from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. unless otherwise indicated on the calendar. However, hours are subject to Range Safety Officer (RSO) availability. Please check the RSO calendar on the website for the hours of operation for each day. RSO's work on a volunteer basis and donate their time for the benefit of the members. Please respect the RSO's and the hours posted by them.

2. **New member orientations are mandatory prior to member's range usage.** New members notified of membership approval must contact the Assistant CRSO/Lead Safety Trainer, or his/her designee, to schedule an Orientation that will include a review of this document, and a live fire safety demonstration.

3. **RSO's are required to verify membership.** When arriving at the range you must check in with the on duty RSO, show your current membership card, and sign in. You must have your membership ID with you at all times while on the range property.

4. Unless otherwise exempted by the Director or his designee, you may bring a maximum of four guests per visit. You are responsible for your guests and must be with them at all times when they are shooting, they may not handle guns while unattended. All guests must complete a liability waiver containing the following statements:

“By signing below I acknowledge that as a Volusia County Gun & Hunt Club (VCGHC) member, or the guest of a member, I have read and understand the VCGHC Range Rules and Operating Procedures as instructed by the member. If I am participating in a scheduled competitive event I understand that I am a guest of the Match Director and am required to have made myself aware of all Range Rules and Operational Procedures. I understand that the VCGHC reserves the right to discontinue all shooting activities for violating the Range Rules and Operating Procedures or any acts of unsafe behavior on my part as determined by a VCGHC Range Safety Officer (RSO) or Match Director. A daily fee of \$15.00 per guest will apply.”

**“NOTICE: THIS WAIVER MUST BE EXECUTED BY ALL GUESTS OF PRINCIPAL MEMBERS OVER 18 YEARS OF AGE. ALL MINOR FAMILY MEMBERS OF PRINCIPALS OR THEIR GUESTS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST HAVE THEIR PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN EXECUTE THIS WAIVER ON THEIR BEHALF. “**

Only parents or legal guardians can sign a waiver for nonmember minors under 18 years of age, **grandparents cannot do so, nor can parents or legal guardians give verbal permission to do so, there are no exceptions.** If a member shows up with a minor who is not their child they cannot sign a waiver for the minor so they and the minor must leave the property. Being told the minor will not shoot makes no difference, they cannot be on the property without being covered by a waiver,

If a minor with a **valid VCGHC ID badge arrives with any adult member** they are allowed to shoot since they are a club member and their parent or legal guardian has already signed a waiver as part of their family membership. A family member minor arriving **without an adult member** is not allowed to shoot alone or with other minors.

5. **Everyone must wear eye protection at all times anywhere on the property.** Hearing protection should be worn when near active shooting.

6. Only those Firearm Instructor members certified by the NRA or a Federal, State, County, or Municipal law enforcement agency, with a VCGHC Firearm Instructor Authorization in place, may teach or instruct at the VCGHC. **Unauthorized Certified Firearm Instructor members are prohibited from teaching or instructing in any capacity, including non-compensatory or for financial benefit. Violators and students will lose their membership privileges.**

Members not certified as a Firearms Instructor by the NRA or any federal, state, county, or municipal law enforcement agency may coach others for no compensation or financial benefit.

7. Persons holding a concealed weapon or firearms license may carry concealed while on the range. **However, the firearm must remain concealed at all times if not being used for practice.** If you wish to shoot the concealed weapon for practice please inform an RSO before doing so. At his/her discretion you may be asked to demonstrate the ability to do so in a safe and proficient manner. **Law enforcement personnel may carry weapons in accordance with their departmental policies.**

8. No alcoholic beverages, empty alcohol beverage containers, or glass containers are allowed on the range. Do not shoot if you are on any medications that cause drowsiness or may otherwise impair your judgment.

9. Please clean up after yourself by putting all appropriate trash into the provided barrels. **Cardboard targets and discarded sticks should be placed in the blue dumpster near the Connex.**

10. Shooters are responsible for replacing any property damaged by their actions.

11. Absolutely no shooting of domestic livestock or wild game on the range.

12. Please pick up all brass, **especially .22LR**, and it put into the brass buckets, cases other than brass should be disposed of in the trash barrels. You may take your own brass; however, brass that makes its way into the buckets becomes range property. Proceeds from the sale of this brass are used to replenish range supplies that benefit all members. Anyone caught taking brass out of the buckets will be asked to leave. If it happens again, you will lose your membership privileges.

13. The Woods Bay Shoot House is used for various competitive matches held at the range and is not available to the general membership unless under the direct supervision of a VCGHC Active RSO, Corporate Firearms Instructor, Visiting Firearms Instructor, Match Director Squad RO, or otherwise exempted by the Director or his designees.

14. Class 3 weapons are allowed with prior RSO notification and proper credentials, e.g., law enforcement officer, NFA tax stamp, or a NFA Class III dealer. All NFA rules apply.

## Operational Procedures

1. **Privately owned vehicles are not allowed on the handgun bays, they must remain in the designated parking areas outside of the large timbers unless otherwise exempted by the Director or his designees.**

2. **Transporting Firearms:** All handguns, loaded or unloaded, must be carried to a **gray table shooting station** fully encased to be unpacked and repacked, if loaded it must be unloaded under the direction of an RSO. **(Handguns may not be hand carried in a holster).** There is one shooting station in each bay and only two shooters are allowed to use it at a time. Upon reaching the shooting station if you have a holster you may then transfer the handgun from its case to the holster. Uncased guns must be stored at the shooting station, **they are not allowed on the picnic tables.** Range bags and gun cases are allowed at the picnic tables, ammunition is allowed at the shooting station or picnic tables. Guns are allowed on the white "Safe Tables", **ammunition is not.**

3. Long guns must be in a gun case or have the action locked open, a chamber flag inserted, magazine removed, and be pointed straight down while being transported. At the shooting station long guns not in use must have the action locked open, magazine removed, and a chamber flag installed in the ejection port. Chamber flags are available for sale at the sign in RV.

4. No one is allowed to shoot at any steel, with any gun, in bays one (1) and two (2). Any steel includes VCGHC or privately owned steel.

No one is allowed to shoot at any steel with a long gun in bay three (3). **For VCGHC purposes any gun with a barrel length exceeding eight inches (8") is considered a long gun regardless of it's caliber.**

No one is allowed to shoot at any VCGHC steel in any bay with a long gun. When shooting at any steel in bays three (3), five (5), and six (6) you must be no closer than the end of a fully extended reset rope for the plate racks. When shooting at privately owned steel in any other bays you must be no closer than a distance equal to the VCGHC plate rack fully extended reset rope.

5. All handguns not in use must have the action locked open with the ejection port facing up or the cylinder open so anyone can verify the firearms are safe. If your handgun is such that the action will not stay open on its own you must use a chamber flag, long guns must use a chamber flag at all times.

6. Keep all firearms unloaded until you are on the firing line and ready to shoot.

**Paragraphs 6 and 7 are the number one violated rules by members, especially in regards to their responsibilities for guests not being aware of our Range Rules. If in doubt please consult a RSO.**

### **7. When shooting from behind a shooting station:**

**With a holster:** Draw, load and shoot the gun. After shooting a semi-automatic remove and secure the magazine, check for a clear gun, release the slide, point it downrange and pull the trigger, then holster the gun. If the gun has a magazine disconnect you will have to insert an empty magazine to pull the trigger. After shooting a revolver open the cylinder to remove the empty cases then close the cylinder and holster the gun.

**Without a holster:** Pick up, load and shoot the gun. After shooting a semi-automatic remove and secure the magazine, check for a clear gun, then lay the gun down with the action open and facing up. After shooting a revolver open the cylinder to remove the empty cases then lay the gun down with the cylinder open and facing up.

**8. When shooting in front of a shooting station:**

**With a holster;** Proceed to the firing line, draw, load and shoot the gun. After shooting a semiautomatic remove and secure the magazine, check for a clear gun, then holster the gun and return to the rear of the table. After shooting a revolver, open the cylinder to remove the empty cases and close the cylinder, then holster the gun and return to the rear of the gray table.

**Without a holster; with the gun unloaded** proceed forward to the firing line with the muzzle pointed at the rear berm then load and shoot the gun. After shooting a semi-automatic remove and secure the magazine, and check for a clear gun. After shooting a revolver, open the cylinder to remove the empty cases then close the cylinder. With either, turn 90 degrees either way and position the gun downrange with your hand on top so that you can carry it like a briefcase, complete the turn facing up range and proceed to the shooting station with the gun pointing downrange. If right handed pass the shooting station on the left side and lay the gun down with the action open and facing up. If left handed pass the shooting station on the right side and lay the gun down with the action open and facing up.

9. Do not carry any handgun outside of the bay unless it is unloaded and holstered or unloaded and fully encased. Long guns must be unloaded with a chamber flag inserted and the muzzle pointed straight down at the ground.

**For General Members;** Unless under the direct supervision of a VCGHC Active RSO, Corporate Firearms Instructor, visiting Firearms Instructor, Competitive Match Squad RO, or exempted by the Director or his designees, targets must be set up against the rear berm so that bullets impact it without first striking the ground, and with the shooting station or position chosen to provide 180 degree coverage within the side berms.

**For Competitive Shooter Members;** Targets must be set up so that all bullets impact a berm without first striking the ground with the shooting station providing 180 degree coverage within the side berms. RSO's are tasked to inquire regarding your status as a competitive shooter without requiring documentation, and to ensure that target placement is in accordance with the above. At an RSO's discretion, members may be asked to demonstrate the ability to perform combat or quick draw practice in a safe and proficient manner before being allowed to do so.

**10. Do not handle any firearm for any reason while people are down range.**

11. If you have a misfire, keep the firearm pointed downrange for 30 seconds before opening the action.

12. If you have a firearm malfunction and cannot clear it leave it on the shooting station table pointed down range and contact an RSO. Due to insurance liability RSO's are not allowed to "work on" firearms and will carry the firearm to your vehicle.

**RIELE RANGE**  
**RULES:**

**Privately owned vehicles are allowed on the rifle range to set and check targets.**

\*1. Long guns must be in a gun case or have the action locked open, a chamber flag inserted, magazine removed, and be pointed straight down while being transported to a shooting station, **not the safe table or bench behind the shooting stations**. If cased it must be unpacked and repacked at the shooting station with the barrel remaining downrange, do not handle guns in any manner when the range is in a “cold condition”. Be extremely aware of muzzle discipline at all times while transporting long guns and on the firing line.

2. Long guns not in use must have the action locked open with a chamber flag installed in the ejection port, so anyone can verify the firearm is safe. Chamber flags are available for sale at the sign in RV.

3. Targets must be placed on the provided backboards and allow the shooter to see the berm on both sides and the top and bottom of the target. Target placement areas are clearly designated; please do not put targets on, above, or below the timbers that support the backboards.

4. Targets may not be set at intermediate distances; to shoot at distances less than 100 yards you must do so at a handgun action bay.

5. Unless otherwise exempted by the Director or his designee the use of Tannerite or any other explosive targets, binary or otherwise, are not allowed at the VCGHC. Scheduled RSO's will receive advance notification of any authorized exemptions and the terms and conditions thereof. **There are no exceptions!**

6. New members must demonstrate the ability to handle long guns in a safe and proficient manner while keeping bullets within 10 MOA at a minimum of 100 yards with iron sights and within 10 MOA out to 300 yards with iron sights or optics.

7. If members require instruction in mounting optics, sighting in, or demonstrating the ability to handle long guns in a safe and proficient manner within 10 MOA at a minimum of 100 yards, they must contact Sean Beery at 386-717-1394, or Rob Westcott at 386-717-8437 to arrange for private instruction.

**8. Please clean up after yourself by putting all trash into the provide barrels**

**\*With the exception of black powder long guns.**

Please sign with your full name and date:

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