

Range Safety Rules

Safety on the public DNR shooting range is paramount and all members and guests are expected to follow all range safety rules while using the facility

1. Open the 'Range in Use' sign at entrance before using the range
2. Raise the red warning flags to show the range is active
3. Stay well behind the front or side of the firing line when firing is taking place
4. Keep the action of your firearm open, except when in use on the range
5. Keep firearm muzzle pointed down range towards target at all times
6. Keep all ammunition under control
7. Place targets off the range floor as near the backstop as possible
8. Place targets before you approach the firing points with a firearm
9. Use paper, cardboard, or soft plastic targets only
10. Explosive targets are prohibited.
11. Load firearm only when all has been made ready for firing to commence.
12. Load only one cartridge at a time into the firearm.
13. Confirm that others are safely behind the firing line before you aim
14. Before moving to the target or from the firing line:
 - unload and render the firearm safe
 - leave the breach open and firearm down, and
 - BE SURE it is safe to proceed!
15. Clean range of all debris before leaving. Ensure all expended cartridge are collected
16. If you are the last to leave, lower the red warning flags and close the range in use sign

Range Rules

1. You must book range time through the Department of Natural Resources. Unauthorized use of the range is not permitted. Book online or through your local DNR Office:
<https://novascotia.ca/natr/srbs/bookings/calendar.asp?rangeID=8>
2. You must be 18 or over to book range time. Anyone 17 or younger must be under the immediate supervision of a responsible adult
3. You must follow the range officer's instructions, if one is present
4. You must wear eye and hearing protection at all times while using the range
5. You must follow the range safety procedures
6. You must clean up after yourself - pick up all debris and expended cartridges
7. Gun clubs must obtain a Shooting Range Group Permit from DNR to use department ranges
8. You must NOT be under the influence of or in possession of alcohol or drugs while on range property
9. You must NOT use unsafe or hazardous arms or ammunition. Tracer, armour piercing, and explosive bullet types are prohibited
10. You must NOT use metal, glass, or other unsafe targets. Explosive targets are prohibited
11. You must NOT load or point your firearm behind the firing line
12. You must NOT dry fire your weapon.
13. You must NOT talk to or distract a shooter, unless you are a coach or range officer
14. Park vehicles in the designated parking area at a safe distance to the rear of the firing line
15. Use this range at your own risk
16. In case of EMERGENCY call 911