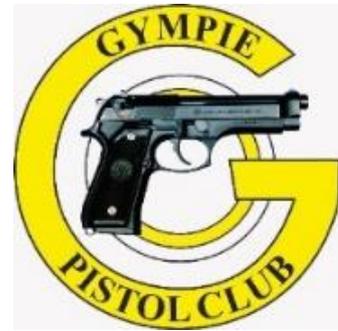


# Gympie Pistol Club Inc

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## RANGE STANDING ORDERS

Description of the Range: There are four ranges:

- Range 1: 1 x 50 Metre Range from firing positions numbered 1 to 9 or 1 x 25 Metre range with static targets.
- Range 2: 1 x 25 Metre Range (ten individual target lanes with turning targets or two x five target lanes of turning targets).
- Range 3: 1 x 25 Metre Range (ten individual target lanes with turning targets or two x five target lanes of turning targets).
- Range 4: 1 x 100 Metre Range (ten individual target lanes or two sets of five static targets up to 15 metres AND 5 individual target lanes or one set of five targets up to 100 yards.)

NOTE: Range 3 and Range 4 are not to operate concurrently until all current upgrades have been completed.

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### PART ONE

### WORKPLACE HEALTH & SAFETY

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#### 1.1 EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT

1.1.1 POLICE, FIRE AMBULANCE      000      [MOBILE 112]

1.1.2 First Aid Kit ..... Training Room to the right of the entrance

1.1.3 AED (defibrillator) ..... Training Room to the right of the entrance

1.1.4 Resuscitation wall chart ..... Training Room and on each range

1.1.5 Emergency Assembly Area ..... Adjacent to the front fence

1.1.6 Gympie Police: 5480 1111      Gympie Fire brigade: 5482 2566

The range is approved in accordance with the Queensland Weapons Act and Regulations, for the use of the following firearms:

- **Category A** Air Rifle, Small-bore/Rimfire Rifle and Shotguns
- **Category B** Muzzle Loading and Centre-fire Rifles
- **Category C** Semi-Automatic Rimfire Rifles, Pump Action and Semi-automatic Shotguns Less than 5 rounds (Instruction Only) Range 4 Only
- **Category D** Pump Action and Semi-automatic Shotguns Greater than 5 rounds, Semiautomatic Centre-fire Rifles (Instruction Only) Range 4 Only
- **Category H** All Classes of Handguns
- **Category M** Crossbows (Instruction Only) Range 4 Only

## 2.1 APPROVED MATCHES

<b>2.1.1 Range 1</b>	Air Pistol Match	Service Pistol 25 Yard	
	Black Powder Pistol	Bowling Pin Match	
	Standard Pistol Match	IPSC	
	Rapid Fire Pistol	SSAA Practical Shooting Match	
	Free Pistol	NRA Pistol Action Match	
	Centre Fire Pistol	Single Action Match	
	Service Pistol	Air Rifle Match	
	Police and Service Match	Silhouette Rifle Air	
	Silhouette Pistol Air	Rimfire/Smallbore Rifle Matches	
	Silhouette Pistol Rimfire 50m	Silhouette Rifle Rimfire 50m	
	Service Unrestricted	W.A.1500	
	<b>2.1.2 Range 2</b>	Air Pistol Match	Service Pistol – 25 metres
		Black Powder Pistol	Police and Service Match
Standard Pistol Match		Service Pistol 25 Yard	
Rapid Fire Pistol		NRA Pistol Action Match	
Free Pistol		Air Rifle Match	
Centre Fire Pistol		Single Action Match – Pistol Only	
Silhouette Pistol Air		IPSC - Paper targets in frames	
Service Unrestricted	W.A.1500		

<b>2.1.3 Range 3</b>	Air Pistol Match	Service Pistol – 25 Metres
	Black Powder Pistol	Police and Service Match
	Standard Pistol Match	Service Pistol 25 Yard
	Rapid Fire Pistol	NRA Pistol Action Match
	Free Pistol	Air Rifle Match
	Centre Fire Pistol	Single Action Match – Pistol Only
	Silhouette Pistol Air	IPSC - Paper targets in frames
	Service Unrestricted	W.A.1500
<b>2.1.4 Range 4</b>	Air Pistol Match	Service Pistol 25 Yard
	Black Powder Pistol	Bowling Pin Match
	Standard Pistol Match	IPSC Pistol
	Rapid Fire Pistol	SSAA Practical Shooting Match
	Free Pistol	NRA Pistol Action Match
	Centre Fire Pistol	Single Action Match
	Service Pistol	Air Rifle Match
	Police and Service Match	Silhouette Rifle Air
	Silhouette Pistol Air	Rimfire/Smallbore Rifle Matches
	Silhouette Pistol Rimfire 50m	Silhouette Rifle Rimfire 50m
Metallic Silhouette	Clay Target Match	

## **2.2 APPROVED FIREARMS, AMMUNITION VELOCITIES, CALIBRES & BULLET TYPES**

<b>2.2.1 Range 1</b>	Pistols – Air, Rimfire & Centre fire
	Shotgun – Not over size No 4 shot – Not over 12 Gauge
	Black Powder – Rifle, Shotgun and & Pistol
	Rifles – Air, Rimfire and Centre fire
<b>2.2.2 Range 2</b>	Pistols – Air, Rimfire & Centre fire
	Shotgun – <b>Not Permitted</b>
	Black Powder – Pistol Only
	Rifles – Air Rifle Only

**2.2.3 Range 3** Pistols – Air, Rimfire & Centre fire

Shotgun – **Not Permitted**

Black Powder – Pistol Only

Rifles – Air Rifle Only

**2.2.4 Range 4** Pistols – Air, Rimfire & Centre fire

Shotgun – Not over size No 4 shot – Not over 12 Gauge

Black Powder – Rifle, Shotgun and & Pistol

Rifles – Air, Rimfire and Centre fire

Category A, B and H Firearms for sport target shooting

Training – Category A, B, C, D, H and M firearms

Training Security – up to SSG Buck Shot within 15m of the stop butt

### **2.2.5 VELOCITY RESTRICTIONS - ALL RANGES**

Velocity restriction on Centre fire and Black Powder Ammunition – up to 1675fps (509mps)

Velocity restriction on Rimfire Ammunition – up to 1710fps (521mps)

Velocity restriction on 0.17 Rimfire Ammunition – may only be used on Range 4 and for training purposes only – 2600fps (792mps)

### **2.2.6 CALIBRE RESTRICTIONS**

The approved calibres are up to and including 0.45.

**2.2.7 BULLET TYPES** - all ranges are approved for the use of lead, lead alloy, semi-jacketed, hollow point, lead/lead alloy core, copper washed/plated projectiles.

**FULL METAL JACKET AMMUNITION NOT PERMITTED (Weapons Licensing ruling)**

**2.2.8 STEEL TARGETS** – Steel targets are only to be used on Range 1 and Range 4 and are to be located within 5 metres of the Stop Butt and are to be shrouded.

## **2.3 RANGE CONDUCT**

**2.3.1** A Range Officer is to be identified for the range complex and for each active range.

**2.3.2** The Range Officer is to open the facility and to ensure that the range flags (Red lights by night) are raised prior to commencing shooting and are lowered at the completion of shooting.

**2.3.3** Every member and visitor who intend to use the Range, must sign the Range Use Register or “Form 33” Register on arrival and the Range Officer is to verify identity and sign the

Register/s prior to commencement of the shoot, in accordance with the Queensland Weapons Act 1990.

- 2.3.4** At least one Competition Range Officer is to be always present on the range complex when a firearm is discharged.
- 2.3.5** **All licensed members are deemed to be Range Officers for the purpose of signing the Range Register and conducting their own training including the discharge of a firearm. Only those members who have completed the Club Range Officers Course are deemed to be Competition Range Officers. A Competition Range Officer must be present when more than one person is firing on the range.**
- 2.3.6** Unlicensed visitors are to be accompanied on the range at all times, by a licensed member. All unlicensed visitors must report to the office to be issued with safety glasses, hearing protection and Visitor's Badge prior to entering the range.
- 2.3.7** The Range Officers name is to be printed on the blackboard of each range in use.
- 2.3.8** No person is to move forward of the Firing Line until the Range Officer clears all firearms and states that the range is **"SAFE"**.
- 2.3.9** Firearms are not to be left unattended at the Firing Line
- 2.3.10** When not in use, all firearms are to be kept unloaded and secured in a case or other suitable container. If a firearm is not being kept in a case and is visible, then it is to be made **"SAFE"** or secured in a holster.
- "SAFE"** means – Double Action Revolver – cylinder swung out and empty.
- Single Action Revolver – loading Gate open and hammer at half cock
  - Semi-automatic – magazine removed and empty, slide locked open
  - Single Shot – breach open and empty
- 2.3.11** Muzzles of empty or **"SAFE"** firearms are not to be pointed or swung in the direction of other persons. Firearms are to be pointed in a **"SAFE"** direction at all times.
- 2.3.12** Holstered pistols are only to be worn whilst on the range.
- 2.3.13** No firearm is to be loaded until the shooter is at the firing line and is given the command to **"LOAD"** by the Range Officer
- 2.3.14** Loaded firearms are to be pointed in a **"SAFE"** direction at all times. Safe means towards the target line
- 2.3.15** All firing is to be parallel to the centre line of the range, at right angles to the target line or within the designated boundaries of the firing lane.
- 2.3.16** All firing is to be directed within each shooter's individual lane.
- 2.3.17** Firearms are to be uncased and cased on the firing line and under the supervision of the Range Officer or in the **"Safe Room"** with the acknowledgement of the Range Officer, where it must then be holstered or cased prior to exiting the **"Safe Room"**.

- 2.3.18** No firearm is to be handled on the range prior to the Range Officer taking control except in the **“Safe Room”** with the acknowledgement of the Range Officer. The **“Safe Room”** is located at the rear of Range One
- 2.3.19** Prior to leaving the Firing Line, all firearms and magazines are to be inspected by the Range Officer to verify that they are unloaded and in a **“SAFE”** condition.
- 2.3.20** Dry firing or aiming exercises are to be considered the same as live firing and are only to be conducted on the range at the firing line with the permission of the Range Officer and within the match conditions.
- 2.3.21** New shooters are, prior to using any firearm on the range, to be instructed in the fundamentals of firearms, firearm safety, range procedures and are to have one on one supervision by a licensed member.
- 2.3.22** Licensed visitors are, prior to using any firearm on the range, to be instructed on the Club’s range procedures.
- 2.3.23** Shooting is not to commence before 9:00am and is to cease no later than 9:30pm
- 2.3.24** Wildlife on any of the ranges is protected by law.

## **2.4 MATCH CONDUCT**

- 2.4.1** No member is to be permitted to shoot any match until they have been deemed proficient and safe with the firearm to be used and demonstrate a reasonable knowledge of the courses of fire.
- 2.4.2** No member is to be permitted to shoot non-ISSF events (dynamic matches) until they have been deemed proficient and safe with the firearm to be used and demonstrate a reasonable knowledge of the courses of fire.
- 2.4.3** Approved holsters are only to be used by shooters who have successfully completed the Club Holster Proficiency training.
- 2.4.4** Holsters used in competition must conform to the guidelines laid down in the rules.
- 2.4.5** Firearms are to be cleared and cased as soon as practical after the completion of the match to be fired.

## **2.5 PERSONAL SAFETY**

- 2.5.1** FOOTWARE – Enclosed footwear is to be worn on all ranges at all times. NO THONGS OR SANDALS OR CROCS
- 2.5.2** CLOTHING – Shooters are to wear clothing that covers the body adequately and reduces the risk of injury from ejected hot cases, escaping gases and sun burn.
- 2.5.3** HEARING PROTECTION IS TO BE WORN ON THE RANGE AT ALL TIMES WHEN FIREARMS ARE BEING DISCHARGED (including non-firers) – ear plugs or earmuffs.
- 2.5.4** EYE PROTECTION IS TO BE WORN ON THE RANGE AT ALL TIMES WHEN FIREARMS ARE BEING DISCHARGED (including non-firers) – sunglasses or safety glasses.

- 2.5.5 Any person who is under the influence of, or has recently consumed, or used any form of alcohol or drug, is not to handle or discharge any firearm on the range.
- 2.5.6 No alcohol is to be consumed until all shooting is completed, and all firearms are secured.
- 2.5.7 Smoking is not permitted in the Training Room or on any range by competitors or spectators.
- 2.5.8 Smoking or naked flames are not permitted on any range.
- 2.5.9 Mobile phones are to be switched off or on silent on all ranges. Range Officers should carry a mobile phone for use in case of an emergency situation.
- 2.5.10 Children under the age of 18 years are the responsibility of the accompanying adult and must be supervised and controlled at all times.
- 2.5.11 No child under the age of 11 years is to handle or discharge a firearm on the range, as per the Queensland Weapons Act and Regulations

## 2.6 ACCIDENTS AND INCIDENTS

- 2.6.1 In the event of an incident occurring, “**PRESCRIBED EVENT**”, within the area of responsibility of the Club and involving any injury or property damage, other than damage to targets, frames or the stop butt, this incident is to be entered into the “**INCIDENT BOOK**” and reported to a Committee Member as soon as practical.
- 2.6.2 Any other incident occurring on the range must be entered into the “**INCIDENT BOOK**” and reported to a Committee Member as soon as practical.

These include – Safety breaches where no injury or damage occurs.

Unauthorized visitors

Damage to target frames or other Club property

Broken or faulty range equipment or property

Vandalism and theft

- 2.6.3 The **INCIDENT BOOK**” is located in the Training Room on top of the First Aid Kit
- 2.6.4 Queensland Weapons Licensing is to be informed in writing within 14 days by the Range Operator (President or approved representative) of any “**PRESCRIBED EVENT**”

## 2.7 COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- 2.7.1 In accordance with the Constitution of the Gympie Pistol Club Inc paragraph 11 (1), the following positions constitute the Gympie Pistol Club Inc Committee Members –

**President, Vice President, Secretary (Range Operator), Treasurer and such members of the Association as the members at any general meeting may from time to time elect including Group Licence Holder, Club Captain, Grants Coordinator, Public Relations, Building Caretaker and Range Caretaker.**

**3.1 PROCEDURES TO OPEN THE RANGE AND SHOOT**

- 3.1.1 The red 'Range in Use' flags are to be raised on the flagpole at the entrance gate and on the top of the stop butt between Range One and Range Two on each day prior to the commencement of shooting. These are to be lowered on the completion of shooting.
- 3.1.2 For night events, the red "Range in Use" flags are to be replaced with red "Range in Use" lights prior to the commencement of shooting. These are to be switched off on completion of shooting.
- 3.1.3 The training Room is to be unlocked and opened to allow access to the Range Use Registers and safety equipment.
- 3.1.4 The air compressor is to be turned on (only when required)
- 3.1.5 A Range Officer must be appointed for each Range in use and their name is to be written on the applicable range blackboard.

**3.2 PROCEDURES FOR PARTICIPANTS ON COMPLETION OF SHOOTING**

- 3.2.1 All to ensure the safe storage of all –
  - Equipment and targets – Returned to Target or Storerooms
  - Electronic Timers - Returned to the Training Room
  - Score Sheets – Returned to the Training Room Shoot Cabinet
  - Static/Reactive Steel Targets – to be **Painted**.

**3.3 PROCEDURES FOR CLOSING THE RANGE**

- 3.3.1 All ranges are to be left tidy.
- 3.3.2 All equipment, targets, score sheets and match books stored away.
- 3.3.3 Turn off the air compressor and secure the compressor shed.
- 3.3.4 Lower the red "Range in Use" flags and store in the flag containers at the base of the flag poles.
- 3.3.5 Turn off all lights and fans.
- 3.3.6 Securely close all windows and lock the Range Gates, Target Rooms, Storerooms, Equipment Shed, Toilet and Training Room
- 3.3.7 Last person leaving the Range Complex is to padlock the chain across the driveway.

### **3.4 RANGE USE REGISTER**

- 3.4.1** All licensed members, licensed visitors and unlicensed shooters are to complete the Club Approved Range Register.
- 3.4.2** All unlicensed and unlicensed visitors are to complete the Queensland Weapons Licensing approved "Form 33" Register
- 3.4.3** Range Officers are to ensure the Club Approved Range Register is completed by all shooters and are to inspect and verify their identification prior to signing off against their registration.
- 3.4.4** Range Officers are to ensure the "Form 33" Register is correctly completed by all unlicensed members and unlicensed shooters and are to inspect and verify their identification prior to signing off against their registration.
- 3.4.5** All shooters are to have completed their registration and had their registration signed off by the Range Officer prior to the commencement of shooting.

### **3.5 MAINTENANCE OF RANGES**

- 3.5.1** All members are to assist in the setting up of the range prior to the commencement of matches.
- 3.5.2** All members are to assist in the refurbishing of ranges at the completion of matches.
- 3.5.3** Any faulty equipment or damage to equipment or the ranges is to be entered into the "INCIDENT BOOK" and reported to a committee member as soon as practical.
- 3.5.5** Rubbish bins are to be put out for collection on the designated rubbish collection day. The committee may delegate the task if required.
- 3.5.6** Any facilities used are to be left in a clean and tidy condition, including all ranges, target and equipment storages, the Training Room, kitchen facility and the toilet.

### **3.6 RANGE OFFICER DUTIES**

#### **3.6.1 Before Match:**

- Open the Entrance Gate to the Range Complex
- Open the Training Room, toilet, range access gate/s, and target room.
- Raise the red "Range in Use" flags at Entrance Gate and on the Stop Butt between Range One and Range Two. Red lights are to replace the red flags for night shoots.
- Enter name, date, and the range number on which the competition is to be held on the Range Officer board in the Training Room
- Ensure all competitors and visitors complete the appropriate registration form.
- Confirm Competitor identification, membership, and Firearms Licence.
- All competitors and visitors are to display a membership card or a visitor's card as applicable.
- Countersign the registration forms as the Range Officer for the specific match.
- Fill out the Range Officer information board on the range.
- Turn on air compressor and set up timer (if applicable)

- Supervise the range setup – all competitors are to assist.
- Provide access to targets. All targets are to be positioned at the stop butt.
- Control movement on the range-shooters going forward to set up targets.
- Commence matches at the designated time.
- Control uncasing of firearms/holstering procedures
- Conduct a Range Brief
  - Safety Issues
  - Emergency procedures
  - Range Layout
  - Course of Fire
- Issue score cards

### 3.6.2 Range Officer's Safety Brief

- Range officer is .....identified by the high vis safety vest
- Range layout for this match is as follows: (give a brief description)
- The targets required for the match are .....
- The course of fire is (provide a brief outline of the match, including ammunition requirements) .....
- Scoring will be conducted by ...(individually or collectively)
- **Safety:**
  - Firearms are to be pointed in a SAFE direction at all times
  - No movement forward of the firing point without the permission of the Range Officer
  - Firearms are to be cleared at the end of each stage/series
  - Firearms are not to left unattended at any time
  - Eye protection and hearing protection are to be worn at all times during firing
- **Emergency Procedures:**
  - The first aid kit is located inside the Club Room door on the right-hand side.
  - In the event someone is injured, immediately stop firing, unload firearms and the nearest to the injured person render assistance
  - The range officer is to maintain the safe conduct of the range and coordinate all activities.
  - Minor injuries are to be treated using the first aid kit and the individual transported to emergency if required.
  - Serious injuries require the Emergency Services to be contacted on **000**

***Are there any questions?***

### 3.6.3 During Match:

- Conduct the match in accordance with the match conditions
- Use the correct range commands
- Ensure safety is maintained at all times
- Clear firearms and magazines on completion of each stage. Firearms to be flagged, cased, or holstered in accordance with match conditions

- Control movement on the range - shooters going forward to score targets
- Maintain security of firearms on the firing line

#### 3.6.4 On Completion of Match:

- Clear firearms and magazines prior to casing and removal from the firing line
- Collect completed score cards
- Sign Participation Cards at completion of the match
- Supervise the refurbishment of the range
- Clean the range officer information board
- Turn off the compressor and secure timer (if applicable)
- Turn off any lights and secure the range facilities (target room, etc)
- Lower the red "Range in Use" flag at the Stop Butt, or turn off red lights if a night shoot
- Lock the range access gate/s
- Secure the Training Room and toilet, ensuring the windows are closed and electrical appliances are turned off.
- Lower the red "Range in Use" flag at the Entrance Gate
- Secure the Entrance Gate

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## PART FOUR

## MEMBERSHIP PATHWAY

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### 4.1 GYMPIE PISTOL CLUB MEMBERSHIP

#### 4.1.1 If you already have a Category H licence and are a member of another Pistol Club: -

Complete the membership application form, available from the secretary, attend two competition shoots as a visitor at **\$15 each**, pay fees and submit your application to the Secretary for processing at the end-of-month meeting.

#### 4.1.2 If you have an AB licence, or have no licence: -

- You will need to attend a minimum of **4 shoots** with the **New Shooter Program**. Each shoot will **cost \$35** which includes the hire of a firearm and consumables, an instructor, and a licensed club member to supervise you.
- You will also need to complete a **safety course** for AB and H categories.
- If you do not have a firearms licence you need to apply for a **Statement of Eligibility**, form QP 0515, from the Qld police.

**4.1.3** Complete the **membership application** form, pay applicable fees and submit your application, along with two character references from persons you have known for at least two years, and a photo ID, to the Secretary for processing at the end-of-month meeting.

- 5.1 These Range Standing Orders are to be applied in conjunction with the Gympie Pistol Club Inc. By Laws and at all times remain subordinate to the Constitution of the Gympie Pistol Club Inc.
- 5.2 These Range Standing Orders are to be applied in conjunction with the requirements of the Queensland Weapon Licensing Act, Regulations, and the Range Approval and at all times remain subordinate to the Queensland Weapon Licensing Act, Regulations, the Range Approval and the Constitution of the Gympie Pistol Club inc.
- 5.3 The Range Standing Orders are to be reviewed as required but not more than at 12 monthly intervals.
- 5.4 All changes to the Range Standing Orders are to be recorded and the date of the changes is to be recorded.
- 5.5 Changes to the Range Standing Orders may be implemented at any time by a vote of the Committee. All changes are to be brought to the notice of the club members as soon as practical, at the next General Meeting and promulgated on the Notice Board.
- 5.6 The Range Standing Orders are to come into effect on the **First day of November 2023**

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President     Duncan McGrath

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Range Operator     Janet Schwabe