

## Range Safety Brief Card

- Introduce yourself and identify any other RSOs / CRSOs that will be working with you
- Review with the shooters what event they will be shooting, and what the course of fire will be.
- Go over the “Left”, “Right”, upper, and lower range limits
- Identify the back berm as the “Impact Area”, be sure all shooters understand the designation and meaning of “Downrange” and to keep their muzzles pointed down range for all activities. Tell them “All rounds must impact the Impact Area and be accounted for”
- Identify the “Safe “and “Ready Areas” and make sure they understand what they are used for.

**Remember No Ammo Allowed in the “Safe Area”**

### Review - The Four Universal Laws of Safe Gun handling with all shooters

1. Always Keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction
  - i. Never point your firearm at anything you’re not willing to destroy
2. Always Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot
  - i. Never have your finger in the trigger guard while loading, unloading, reloading, or correcting malfunctions
3. Always know your target and what is beyond
  - i. Every round must be accounted for
  - ii. All rounds fired must hit the designated impact area each time
4. Always treat every firearm as if it was loaded

Eye and Ear protection: Are always required for every shooter and spectator on the range.

### Explain to the shooters

- **Steel is inherently dangerous!** All shooters must have eye pro that completely covers the sides of their eyes when shooting steel. You can be cut by spall. If this happens to you when you’re on the firing line, **Do Not Panic!** Keep your firearm pointed downrange and ask an RSO for assistance.
- Anyone on the range can be hit by Spall, not just the shooter. Be sure to let others know including spectators –
- Steel is dangerous. (Note to RSO – You must do a detailed range inspection of the steel targets prior to shooting to identify any potential hazards of steel i.e., pitting, or damaged plates or target stands, bad angles or lack there off.... Failure to do so can result in serious injury or death

### Range Status:

- All MCWCC ranges operate as “Cold” ranges. This means all loading and unloading of ammunition into your gun will be done on the firing line only.

### Range Commands and Safety Expectations:

1. When unloading or when given the command to “**Unload and show clear**” is given, you will
  - a. Remove all magazines / source of ammunition from your guns. Open the Slides / Bolts/ Chambers etc. and perform a 3-point inspection (Explain “Three Points” don’t assume they know) **1) Barrel 2) Mag Well 3) Back of the bolt face**. Once completed, the shooter will show the RSO the gun is cleared.
  - b. Once confirmed, the RSO will give the command to “**Slide forward and Hammer Down**” for a final **Safety Check** Keeping the firearm pointed down range, the shooter will let the slide go

forward and pull the trigger. Once cleared they will either 1) do a 3-point inspection and then table the firearm or 2) Holster the firearm. The RSO and Instructor need to decide

2. When on the firing line, all firearms will be pointed down range +/- 10 degrees left or right
3. **No one is allowed to retrieve any items from the ground when the line is "Hot"**
4. **No one is allowed to ever bend down during a shooting drill while holding a firearm in your hands.** You will be given the opportunity to pick up items once the line is declared safe and goes cold.
5. Do not answer any cell phones on the firing line, and never when you have a firearm in your hands.
6. During moving drills, there is a 180-degree rule in place that follows you down range. RSOs need to explain this rule (Don't assume they know)
7. Do not **Unholster** or pick up your gun for any reason unless directed to do so by an RSO or the instructor
8. If you need to maintenance your gun, get with an RSO, they will clear the gun and move you to the designated **Safe Area** to work on it. **RSOs remember to remove the ammo off the shooter before letting them in the safe area. You can hold on to it or put it in the Ready area for them.**
9. Gun inspections and first-time holstering on any range will be done in the **"Safe Area"** and conducted by the RSOs. Always tell the shooters **"Once Holstered, your gun is not to be removed the holster at any time unless on the firing line and under the instruction of an RSO or instructor"**

#### Firearm Status when loaded:

1. Single Action Pistols: will have a round chambered, hammer cocked, and safety engaged
2. DA/SA Pistols: will have a round chambered, hammer decocked, safety not engaged
3. Safe Action Pistols: will have a round chambered and the gun holstered

#### Range Commands:

- 1- Announce **"Eyes and Ears"** Visually look around and verify everyone on the range has Eye and Ear Pro on before going hot
- 2- Announce **"Going Hot"** or **"The Line is Hot"**
- 3- Announce **"Shooter(s) Load And Make Ready"**
- 4- Ask the shooters **"Shooter(s) Are You Ready"**
- 5- Announce **"Standby"**
- 6- RSO or Instructor provides Buzzer, or firing Cadence **"Up"** **"Commence Fire"** etc.
- 7- Announce **"Shooter(s) If Your Finished, Unload and Show Clear"** **Make sure 3 Point Inspections are done**
- 8- **Announce "If Clear, slide forward and Hammer Down"** – This is your saving grace! Always do a **Safety Check before allowing a gun to go back to the holster or case, before leaving a line** If your using tables during a course of fire, then have the Shooter(s) do Unload and s Show clear, do a 3 Point Inspection, and then have them table the firearm with chambers and cylinders open and facing up
- 9- Announce **"The Range is all clear and now Cold. This is the only** safe time to retrieve items, go and score and paste your Targets **"explain that no one is allowed to touch their firearms when the range is cold**

**\*\*\*\* Remember to remind all participants that anyone can call a "Cease Fire" \*\*\***

**If you're a shooter on the firing line and a Cease Fire is called, immediately return to the "High Ready Position", and keep your guns pointed down range and await further instructions.**

## Emergency Action Plan:

**\*\*\*Always delegate duties across multiple people if the group size permits. Whenever you have more than one firing order, always delegate redundant tasks across both firing orders.**

- Delegation of Duties
  - Two people to render aid: Always identify who has medical training, and assign delegated duties to the two people with the most experience e.g., Corpsman, Doctors, Nurses, First Responders etc. Review the contents of the bleed bag if they are not familiar
  - Two people will call 911: Be sure everyone on the range knows the address of the facility **MCWCC address is 1820 Camp Easter Rd, Southern Pines, 28387**
  - Two RSOs or appointed Range Officers clear firing line:
  - Two People to go to the street and flag down First Responders
  - Two people to take notes: Make sure a working pen and paper is available
  - Two People to shut down all the other ranges:
- Show the location of the Bleed control station and the AEDs
- Show the location of the Emergency Cell phones or telephone: Always verify you have good signal and battery life. Remember these items should be located next to the Bleed control station

## Emergency Procedures

- 1- Immediately call a Cease Fire and declare a **“Medical Emergency”**
- 2- Two people will immediately assess and start rendering aid. **Never render aid beyond your training and abilities**
- 3- Assign someone to call 911. **They are to stay on the phone the whole time with 911 dispatchers until First Responders arrive on the scene.**
- 4- The RSOs. or appointed ROs will immediately get any shooters on the firing line to clear their guns and either holster them, table them, or move all the guns to the designated safe area with muzzle pointed into the berm. Once the line is clear, move all the shooters not delegated with tasks and any spectators to an assembly area. We want to keep people out of the way
- 5- Assign someone to go to the front gate with an instructor's membership badge (if a non-member) They are to flag down First Responders. They are to guide the First Responders to the exact Range of incident. Make sure you show them the Range number you are on.
- 6- Assign someone to be a scribe to take notes. Immediately make note of the time, and start documenting everything you see and hear
- 7- Assign someone to go to every range and call a **“Cease Fire”**, and instruct everyone to clear and holster, bench, or bag their guns. Instruct everyone to stay on their range.
- 8- If we need to take anyone to the Hospital the nearest Hospital is First Health Moore Regional Hospital located at 155 Memorial Drive, Pinehurst, NC 28374 PH# (910) 715-1000