

CORPUS CHRISTI GUN CLUB

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RULES FOR USE OF CLUB PREMISES AND FACILITIES

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GENERAL

- A. Only those persons, who are members current in their dues and guests in their immediate company may use the premises or any facilities of this club. A member must accompany any child under the age of 18 years who is using the club facilities, unless the parent and child have received the specific waiver of this rule by the Board of Directors. **Only family members listed and approved by CCGC on member application/renewal form may use a member's gate card.** Lending out gate card to anyone else will result in loss of membership and trespass charges for the user. All other persons will be considered trespassers and may be treated as such.
- B. **Members are required to have both their membership card and gate card with them while at the club.** Any member or employee may ask to see both. If not produced they can also ask you to leave the club property or report to the club house to resolve. **Do not follow others through either gate. Must use your own gate card at both gates.**
- C. Members are limited to a maximum of 2 guest per family membership in the pistol and rifle ranges. On a very limited basis the manager or assistant manager may grant prior approval for additional guest. **Do NOT leave guest unattended in pistol/rifle area of club, member must be present at all times. All guest are required to complete and sign a waiver agreement and turn it in at clubhouse prior to entering the club property.**
- D. All persons entering the club premises assume all risks of personal injury and loss or damage to property, and thereby waives any right to file any claim or suit against the club. In no event or circumstance shall the Corpus Christi Gun Club have any responsibility or liability for injury to persons and loss or damage to property. It is only prudent for all persons participating in shooting sports to carry adequate public liability insurance, and each person using these facilities is urged to secure such coverage. Each person entering the premises of the club thereby indemnifies and holds the club and its officers harmless from and against any claims, action, or suits resulting from such person's presence upon the premises or use of club facilities. **All guests are required to sign and turn into the office a waiver prior to entering the premise.**
- E. **Misconduct by any individual will not be tolerated.** All members and their guest are expected to behave as ladies and gentleman at all times on club property. The club manager, assistant manager, and board members have the authority to request the departure of any member or other person from the premises, or take other needed action whenever, in their sole discretion, such action is deemed in the best interest of the club. Violation of any of the rules contained herein may result in ejection from the premises and termination of membership, as provided in the By-Laws of this club. Violation may also result in members having to repeat this orientation class. The manager may suspend a member's access and membership privileges for up to one month or until the next scheduled board meeting whereas member can attend to plead their case for reinstatement.
- F. No handling of loaded firearms other than within the confines of a pistol/rifle bay, on the firing line of rifle, 25 yrd. and 50 yrd. ranges when ranges are "hot" or on a shooting station on the shotgun fields. Open carry laws apply for those that have an LTC and carry open in public areas of the club (club house, patio, shotgun fields and parking lots).

- G. **Positively No Drinking of Alcoholic Beverages prior to or during shooting.**
- H. Only instructors approved by the club and scheduled on the calendar may conduct classes or training of any kind. See manager for details of requirements to be approved.
- I. Do not drive or park on the grass or off the roads when wet conditions exist. Do not drive over or park on the sidewalks.
- J. Any violations of these rules or any other issues or concerns should be reported to the manager or assistant manager first. Then if needed in writing to the club secretary, P.O. Box 271885, Corpus Christi, Texas 78427.
- K. Children, and all other persons, not actually participating in a shooting event must stay behind the firing lines at all times. Parents are absolutely responsible for the safety and conduct of their children at all times. No interference with shooting activities will be tolerated.
- L. No hunting or shooting of any game or other birds or animals with any weapon will be allowed at any time.
- M. The club house is closed on Mondays and Fridays, and specific public holidays, which are days off for the club manager and most employees. The pistol and rifle ranges are available for use 7 days a week from 7:00 am to sunset as posted by National Weather Service for Corpus Christi Texas. Office and cash register close 30 minutes prior to shotgun fields closing. The Nueces County 4H Club has priority on all the shotgun fields starting February 1st until July 30 on Tuesdays from 5:30 until close. **Please see website for most current hours or any temporary operating hours due to weather or special situations. See addendum for detailed hours of operations.**
The club manager has the authority and may close any facility of the club at any time.
- N. The speed limit for all vehicles on the club premises is **10 miles per hour** for both safety and road maintenance reasons.
- O. Each person using the club facilities shall observe all established safety rules.
- P. Please use common sense and show courtesy for other shooters in all situations.
- Q. All dogs brought to club by members or their guest must be restrained or kept in their vehicle. Waste products must be picked up by owner then placed in trash can.
- R. **Eye and ear protection is required at all times while on or near the firing line.**

Safety Rules for use of club Pistol and Rifle Ranges, Buildings and Bays

- A. Bays 1 through 5 and covered pistol building with retrieval system between 4 & 5 are for **handgun calibers** and 22 long rifle caliber firearms. **Center fire rifle or shotguns are NOT allowed.**
- B. Bays 6 through 12 are for handgun, rifle and shotguns.
- C. The rifle range is for rifle caliber firearms, 22LR rifles and pistol caliber carbines only
- D. The 25 yard and 50 yard ranges are for rim fire, pistol and rifle caliber firearms, no shotguns and no shotshells. These are ranges which are intended for use of more than one member (and guest) at a time.
- E. **Tracer and incendiary ammunition is NOT allowed anywhere at the club at anytime.**

25 and 50 yard Range specific rules

- Each member and their guest may occupy only one lane and use only one target board
 - Only shoot targets on your lane
 - All shooters must shoot from the fixed firing line **DO NOT GO DOWN RANGE TO SHOOT in the 25 or 50 yard range. Must shoot from bench, table or from under canopy.**
 - May not go downrange when range is hot for any reason
 - No shotgun use allowed
 - No shotshell use allowed
 - Pistols and rifles only
 - These ranges will operate under same rules as rifle range for procedures for going hot and cold (see section L below) with the addition of use of a range “hot” flag when more than one shooter is present. The flag(s) will be raised to up position when the range is hot. Lowered to indicate cold range. It is the responsibility of members using these bays to raise and lower the flag(s) as needed to indicate hot/cold status of the range
 - Only paper targets affixed to club provided target boards are allowed. (do not attach directly to club lumber frame work)
 - No steel targets
 - No Clay targets
- F. **SHOTGUNS MAY NOT BE FIRED AT TARGET BOARDS.** Do not shoot a shotgun with shot at targets attached to club target backers anywhere at the club. You must bring your own targets. Shooting shotguns at target boards or in the rifle, 25 yard or 50 yard ranges is subject to fine and possible loss of membership
- G. **Do not attach any target directly to club lumber** (target frame work) **or over the wood borders**, attach only to backer boards. Shooting wood frame work is subject to fine and possible loss of membership
- H. Please remove your paper targets and place in a trash can when finished.
- I. No one may go down range on the covered pistol range that has the target retrieval system. Please return target trolley to under the building when finished shooting. The stall marked for “Handicap” is only to be used by those that can only shoot from a wheel chair.
- J. **No targets may be placed directly on the ground. No targets may be placed on the top of any berm. All targets must be placed so the bullet(s) impact the berm. Do the point test when setting targets.**
- K. On Bays 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 **all targets must be placed on CCGC provided backer boards or with your target stands placed at base of back berm** (and not in front of CCGC backer boards, to the side of our backer boards) Do not use aide berms.
- L. No throwing in the air of clay targets or other targets in any bay or range.
- M. Clay targets may only be placed on the berm or appropriate clay target holders and only in **Bays 6-12 (south side bays) or the rifle range**. They may not be placed on the target frames.
- N. On the Rifle Range a member and his guests may occupy only one firing point/bench except when there are few shooters and ample vacant benches are available.
- O. **Procedure for “going cold”:** All shooters on the Rifle Range will cease fire and the range declared “cold” at intervals of approximately 15 to 30 minutes to permit shooters to go downrange to examine and change targets. The procedure is as follows:
1. Any shooter, or the range officer, may call for a cold range.
 2. When a call for a “cold range” is heard each and every shooter will proceed to unload his firearm leaving the action open, remove magazines and move off the shooting bench. **STEP BACK 2-3 PACES BEHIND RED LINE BEHIND BENCHES.**

3. A shooter may request a short delay if necessary.
 4. When the person calling for the "cold range" has observed that every shooter has complied with the first step of this procedure he will declare the range "cold". Shooters may proceed downrange.
 5. Once declared "cold" guns are not to be touched, adjusted or moved in any manner until the range is declared "hot".
 6. Shooters arriving when the range is cold may place a piece of gear, not a firearm, on an empty shooting bench to identify it as theirs before going downrange to place targets. They may place the gear on the bench only. They may NOT set up or adjust spotting scopes, shooting bags, etc. Firearms may be placed on the bench and gear set up and adjusted only after the range goes "hot".
- P. **Procedure for "going hot";**
7. When there are no shooters remaining downrange, any shooter, or the range officer may call for a "hot range"
 8. Each shooter on the range will acknowledge the call or if they see someone still downrange they will call the range "cold".
 9. When every shooter has acknowledged the range "hot" the person calling for the "hot range" shall announce the range "hot" and shooters may address their firearms.
 10. No person shall go downrange (i.e. any distance whatsoever in front of the shooting benches) for any reason when the range is "hot"
- Q. Anyone may call for an immediate cease fire if an unsafe condition exists.
- R. Only shoot from within the berm area (must be inside the bay)
- J. Picnic tables are to remain in the covered areas and the yellow safety tables on bays 6-12 are not to be moved. If you need a table downrange bring your own.
- K. Uncased firearms will be pointed downrange at all times.
- L. Shooting benches on the rifle range are to remain on the fixed firing line.
- M. **The shooting of cans, bowling balls or pins, golf balls, glass or plastic containers or other such objects (old computers) is strictly prohibited.**
- N. Shooting of mild steel is not allowed. Only AR 500 or AR 550 steel is allowed and must be set off the ground so as all bullets impact berm. 12 yard minimum for pistol and 50 yards minimum for center fire rifle. Do not shoot steel with dents, dimples or penetrations. Do not shoot green tip or armor piercing ammo at steel. Do the point test when setting steel targets.
- O. The firing of fully-automatic or "SlideFire" firearms or "bump firing" or use of Binary triggers **are prohibited**. The use of **any** piece of equipment, trigger, stock or any modification that simulates or attempts to simulate fully automatic fire is strictly prohibited.
- P. .50 BMG caliber firearms are prohibited.
- Q. Exploding targets (tannerite, etc.) are not allowed
- R. If you observe an unsafe situation address it with those involved or call the club house 361-852-1212.
- S. **Eye and Ear protection is required at all times while on or near the range.**

Safety Rules for use of Shotgun Fields

1. No shell shall be inserted into a gun until the shooter is entirely on the station, the gun is pointed down range and the shooter is preparing to call for the appropriate target. Once loaded the gun must be pointed downrange, or along the line of fire.
2. When not actually in the process of loading and shooting, the breech must be open or in the case of single or double-barrel guns, the gun must be "broken". No gun may be closed unless it is unloaded and placed in a shooting rack.

3. No rifle or pistol may be fired on any shotgun field (trap, skeet, five stand or sporting clays). Shotguns need to have a barrel length of 26 inches or longer for all skeet, Trap and sporting clays (exception is made for a youth shooter shooting a youth model traditional shotgun)..
4. Except when actually in the process of shooting, all auto loading and pump action guns shall be pointed in a vertical position, on shoulder, skyward with action to front to demonstrate it is open and unloaded, AND not horizontally or in the direction of any person.
5. The loading of more than two shells shall not be allowed at any time. **At station 8 on the skeet field only one shell may be loaded for the high house**, generally one at the low house, but two may be loaded for the low house if the shooter has two shots left in the round at that station. Must attempt target before it reaches the center stake.
6. If in a squad of more than two (2) shooters the whole squad must shoot high 8 first, before turning to then shoot low 8.
7. No squad shall have more than five members, without specific consent of the manager.
8. Can not shoot on a field that has an orange safety cone on trap house roof until cone is removed. Do not shoot if you see someone downrange in field of fire.
9. Do not load targets in machines, do not attempt to adjust machines, call clubhouse to alert staff of need to make adjustment. Let staff service machines.
10. Shooter may pick up their empty shotgun shells only after the squad has completed its round.
11. Eye and ear protection is required at all times while on or near the firing line.
12. Please pick up your empty hulls and place in "hulls only" buckets. Place trash (water bottles and empty shell boxes) in the trash cans under the canopy.
13. **Only shot size 7 ½, 8, 8 ½, or 9 may be used. Maximum load is 1 1/8 oz of shot. You are responsible for the shot sizes your guest use. Loss of membership is possible for violators of shot sizes on any shotgun field or the sporting clay course.**

CCGC Sporting Clays rules:

1. Eye and ear protection is **REQUIRED** on the sporting clays course for everyone (shooting and non shooting) at all times while on the Sporting Clays course.
2. **Shotgun shells may not exceed 1-1/8 oz. shot. Shells may include 7-1/2, 8, 8-1/2 and 9 shot only.** No shot larger than 7-1/2 may be used. No more than two shells may be loaded into your gun at any one time, regardless of magazine capacity.
3. Gun actions will remain open and guns unloaded at all times on the premises except when on post ready to fire. When the gun is loaded, keep gun pointed down range at all times. Gun actions will be open and shells removed when changing posts. Only vertical gun racks may be used on carts to transport shotguns. No rifles are allowed on the course.
4. If your gun malfunctions (fails to fire or jams for mechanical reasons), keep muzzle down range at all times while opening action. A shooter will NOT be allowed to make gun repairs while in the post.
5. No choke changes will be allowed once a shooter begins shooting on post.

6. **May not drink alcohol prior to or during shooting**
 7. Disruptive activities, such as loud music or horseplay, are not permitted.
 8. **FOR ANYONE UNDER THE AGE OF 18:** They must be accompanied by an adult at **ALL** times. The responsible adult will closely supervise their shooting and firearms handling and will be responsible for the minor's actions.
 9. Must be 18 or older and have a current valid driver's license to be allowed to operate a cart on the sporting clays course.
 10. **Speed limit for carts.** Carts must be operated at a safe speed, kept under control and kept on the cart path or improved parking pull out areas at all times.
 11. Only golf carts or sporting carts are allowed on the course, no automobiles or trucks.
 12. At no time are participants allowed to load, adjust or repair trap machines. In the event a machine or other equipment is not working the user is to call club house (361-852-1212) to inform CCGC staff of station number and problem. At no time are any users allowed down range of a shooting station.
- **Annual dues should be paid by 12-31 of each year for the following year.**
 - **Gate cards will be turned off starting January 15 for members not current in their dues for the year.**
 - **Token and Sporting Clay target prices are charged at non-member rates until dues are brought current starting Jan 1 of the year.**
 - **Tokens for skeet/trap/five stand and target credits for sporting clays are purchased in the clubhouse.**
 - **We charge a 3% surcharge on credit card purchases.**

Winter (November 4 to March 10)

	Office/clubhouse	Skeet/trap	Five-stand	Sporting clays	Pistol/rifle
Monday	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Tuesday	1:00 – 5:00 pm	1:00 – 5:30 pm	1:00 – 5:00 pm	1:00 – 5:30 pm or earlier of 30 minutes before sunset	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Wednesday	10:30 am – 5:00 pm	1:00 – 5:30 pm	closed	10:30 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Thursday	1:00 pm – 7:30 pm	1:00 pm – 8:00 pm	1:00 – 7:30 pm	1:00 – 5:30 pm or earlier of 30 minutes before sunset	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Friday	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Saturday	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	9:00 am – 5:30 pm	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Sunday	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	9:00 am – 5:30 pm	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	9:00 am – 5:00 pm	7:00 am to SUNSET*

*Sunset is as posted for Corpus Christi by National Weather Service

Spring/Summer/Fall (March 11 to November 3)

	Office/clubhouse	Skeet/trap	Five-stand	Sporting clays	Pistol/rifle
Monday	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Tuesday	1:00 pm-7:00 pm	1:00 pm-7:00 pm	1:00 pm-7:00 pm	1:00 pm-7:00 pm	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Wednesday	10:30 am – 7:00 pm	1:00 pm-7:00 pm	Closed	10:30 am – 7:00 pm	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Thursday	1:00 pm – 7:30 pm	1:00 pm-8:00 pm	1:00 pm-7:30 pm	1:00 pm-7:00 pm or 30 minutes before sunset	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Friday	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Saturday	9:00 am- 5:30 pm	9:00 am- 6:00 pm	9:00 am- 5:30 pm	9:00 am- 5:30 pm	7:00 am to SUNSET*
Sunday	9:00 am – 5:30 pm	9:00 am – 6:00 pm	9:00 am – 5:30 pm	9:00 am – 5:30 pm	7:00 am to SUNSET*

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