

# **BUCKS COUNTY FISH AND GAME GROUNDS AND RANGE SAFETY RULES**

## **GROUND**

1. Any destruction or mutilation of club property will not be tolerated.
2. The use of or being under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or sedating medications are prohibited on all ranges.
3. Smoking is prohibited in clubhouse; trap office, or any range using black powder.
4. Open carry of firearms is prohibited on club property.

## **SHOOTING HOURS**

Monday thru Saturday.....10:00 AM until ending time posted on time clocks.  
Sunday..... 11:00 AM until ending time posted on time clocks.  
Archery.....Sunrise to Sunset.

## **FLAG & BUZZER SYSTEM**

1. Yellow & black striped flag designates a cease fire.
2. Red flag designates range in operation for live firing.
3. Buzzer and strobe light system alerts shooter of either a cease fire or live fire condition.
4. A bell signal indicates canoeist coming down the creek (mainly Spring time).
5. The cease fire flag must be initiated and someone must go down past the 100 yd. berm and watch for their passage to insure their safety before resuming to an active range.

## **RANGES**

1. Eye and ear protection must be worn when shooting.
2. No rapid fire on any range.  
++ Shots fired faster than a two second interval constitute rapid fire.
3. All members must wear their membership cards clearly visible when on club property.
4. Only two guests are permitted with an adult member at one time.
5. You must sign in at the proper station before using any firearm, archery, or shotgun range. This includes guests who must sign in and out using members ID number.  
++ No fee required for active military personnel.
6. Any rifle, pistol or black powder range can call a cease fire. The 100 yd. range or the closest active range to the 100 yd. range will have the responsibility to put the range back in live fire operation provided there is no one using the 100yd. range.
7. When a cease fire is called everyone must stop shooting, open all actions, remove magazines, and insert empty chamber indicator. Tubular fed firearms must open the action and remove the cartridge. All shotguns must remove shells.
8. Point all guns down range when firing and handling at your shooting position.
9. Setting up and taking down a chronograph must be done during a cease fire.
10. Handling of firearms during a cease fire is strictly prohibited and constitutes a serious safety violation.
11. A black powder shooter who still has an unfired firearm must alert all ranges they are hot and unload their firearm. Once they are clear the cease fire flag can be installed.
12. No human image, only silhouette targets are allowed.

13. Only paper targets are to be used for shooting purposes. No breakable targets.
14. No cross firing. You must shoot in the lane you are positioned in.
15. When no one is using the range you are occupying and you are leaving, remove flag and install it in the holder located at ground level.

### **BLACK POWDER**

1. All muzzle loaders can only be primed or capped at the firing line.
2. No loaded guns at the loading bench under a cease fire.
3. No woofing the barrel. (Blowing down the barrel)

### **ARCHERY**

1. All shooting must be done on established ranges.
2. All shooting will be done in the proper lane.
3. No cross firing.
4. All shooting will cease when a person is down range.
5. No back tracking thru the **3-D** course.
6. No broadheads allowed on club property.

### **TRAP**

1. The use of hand throwers is prohibited.
2. A mounted thrower is installed in a fenced in area for your use. You must shoot from this area within the upright posts.
3. All shells must be no longer than 2  $\frac{3}{4}$ " and contain lead shot no larger than 7  $\frac{1}{2}$  shot.
4. All guns must be loaded singularly unless shooting doubles, then two shells only can be loaded.
5. Ground traps can only be placed between #7 and #8 trap houses when not in use.
6. No one can enter the trap fields when the trap fields are open for shooting.

### **SHOTGUN PATTERN BOARD**

1. No slugs or buckshot are allowed.
2. Shot larger than #2 is prohibited.
3. Shoot from provided yardage stakes only.

**\*\*OBEY THE RULES - BE SAFE - NOT SORRY! \*\***

All ranges are under 24 hour camera surveillance.

Anyone caught violating club rules will be brought before the Disciplinary Committee which can result in action up to and including loss of membership. Membership card must be surrendered at the request of any senior range officer or Board of Governors member.