

Range Safety SOP

1 **Always** keep the firearm pointed in a safe direction which on the firing line is downrange.

2 **Always** keep your firearm unloaded until ready to shoot.

3 **Always** keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot

4 Eye and ear protection **will** be worn prior to entering any shooting range or range area. We believe the safest hearing protection is electronic protection which allows the shooter to hear conversation but keeps out the sound of gunfire.

5 **Always** treat and handle all firearms as if they were loaded.

6 Know how your firearm operates and follow directions in owner's manual before attempting to load or fire. Our staff members will assist you if needed.

7 In the event of a misfire or malfunction, keep the firearm pointed safely down range, engage the safety and place on the shooting bench with the muzzle pointed down range. Alert Staff member for assistance. **Do not** open the action, or attempt to clear until instructed by a Staff Member.

8 Violation of **any** of the range rules or verbal direction give by Lonestar Staff may result in the immediate suspension of your range privileges.

9 Shooters must be able to read and understand all written and posted signs, comply with them at all times, and pass the written safety survey and be in possession of a Range Safety Survey card. Range Safety Survey Cards **must** be presented at each range visit, prior to entering any range.

10 Handguns can be rented by persons 21 years of age or older and long guns can be rented by persons 18 years of age or older.

11 Lonestar requires all shooters and guests to wear a shirt and shoes. Closed-toe shoes offer the best safety protection. Low-cut tops can be a safety risk for spent brass cases or other flying debris. Spent cases can reach temperatures of over 400 degrees. We also recommend long sleeves and ball caps be worn.

12 Children must be under **direct supervision** and control of a responsible adult at all times in the Lonestar Range.

13 **No** holstered firearms can be carried on the Range facility -- the only exception will be while on the firing line in a shooting lane with prior approval from Range Safety Officer.

14 Persons under the influence of a controlled substance will be asked to leave the facility for everyone's safety.

15 No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the property, except at special events by specific permission of the General Manager and only after all shooting has been terminated for the day.

16 All persons entering any range must sign the Lonestar liability and release waiver and present a valid Range Safety Survey Card. Waivers are located on each range and in the retail store.

17 Anyone using this facility agrees to be financially responsible for **any** damage they cause.

18 No concealed firearms may be carried on Lonestar premises.

19 When firearms are not in use, they **must** be unloaded, and placed on the shooting bench with the actions open.

20 Only shooters and their instructors or coaches are permitted on the firing line.

21 When going to or from the firing line, or when changing firing positions, firearms must be unloaded, actions opened, and placed in a gun case or bag.

22 Shoot only at designated targets. No cross-range shooting.

23 Lonestar Staff reserve the right to inspect all firearms, ammunition and targets at any time and to prohibit their use at our facility **for any reason.**

24 No incendiary or armor piercing ammunition can be fired on the Lonestar Range. Only Texas-legal ammunition may be used. Verify you are using the **correct caliber** and ammunition or ask a Staff member for assistance.

25 No muzzle-loaded firearms may be fired at the Lonestar Range.

26 At **any** cease fire signal, shooters must unload their firearm, place it on the shooting bench and leave the action open for inspection by Staff.

27 Shotgun may only be fired on designated shooting lanes.

28 There are no age limits on any range. Anyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult and under their direct

supervision and control. As a responsible adult, you should verify any children's safety gear and ensure that it is used correctly. Studies have shown that children under the age of eight can have future development problems from exposure to the percussion generated from center fire arms and shotguns. Expectant mothers should refrain from any range or shooting activities.

29 All shooters and spectators should practice good and safe hygiene habits by washing their hands and face with soap and cold water after handling or discharging any firearm or performing or assisting in any firearm cleaning activities.

30 Food and beverages are **prohibited** at any time on the firing line with the exception of water at the ready line.

31 Smoking is permitted outside in **designated areas** in accordance with general safety and local laws.

32 Any shooter may be asked to demonstrate to the satisfaction of a Lonestar Staff member the ability to safely and correctly operate a firearm.

33 All federal, state and local laws are in effect and it is **your** responsibility to obey them.

LONESTAR INDOOR RANGE

1 Sound Locks are designed to keep harmful noises our of the non-range areas. Keep one door completely closed **at all times** when accessing the range through the sound locks.

2 Only shooters and their instructors or coaches are permitted forward of the red safety line. Spectators **must** remain behind the red safely line at all times.

3 A "Cease Fire" may be called at any time. During the cease fire period, **NO person** will remain in front of the red safety line near or in a shooting booth, or handle **any** firearm in the range area.

The "Cease Fire" announcement is –

"Cease fire, Cease fire"
"Unload all firearms and keep actions open"
"Please step behind the red line"
"There is no firearm handling during the Cease Fire."

4 After the Cease Fire, once shooters have returned from the target area and the Lonestar Staff member (Range Safety Officer) has determined and verified that it is safe to resume shooting, shooters will be informed that they can enter their booth on the firing line and commence firing.

The "Commence Firing" announcement is –

"Eye and ear protection is now required"

"You may step forward of the red line and commence firing"

"The range is now open for shooting"

5 The range lanes are designated for specific firearms. Please inform the Lonestar Staff Member of the type of firearm you are shooting for proper assignment to correct shooting lanes. Remember **YOU** are responsible for all damage caused by you and your equipment.

6 Shooters are requested to discard their trash and debris in the containers located on the range.

7 If you need assistance at any time, please ask a Lonestar Staff Member (Range Safety Officer).

Please enjoy your shooting activity!

SAFETY is everyone's responsibility!

If you have **ANY** question or need assistance, please ask a Lonestar Staff Member (Range Safety Officer).

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