



Membership Guidelines and Range Use Manual





Range 5
Events Only

Range 4

Range 3

Range 2

Range 1 Indoor
Clubhouse

Archery

PARKING

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3D Archery Trail

LAKEMOUNT ROAD

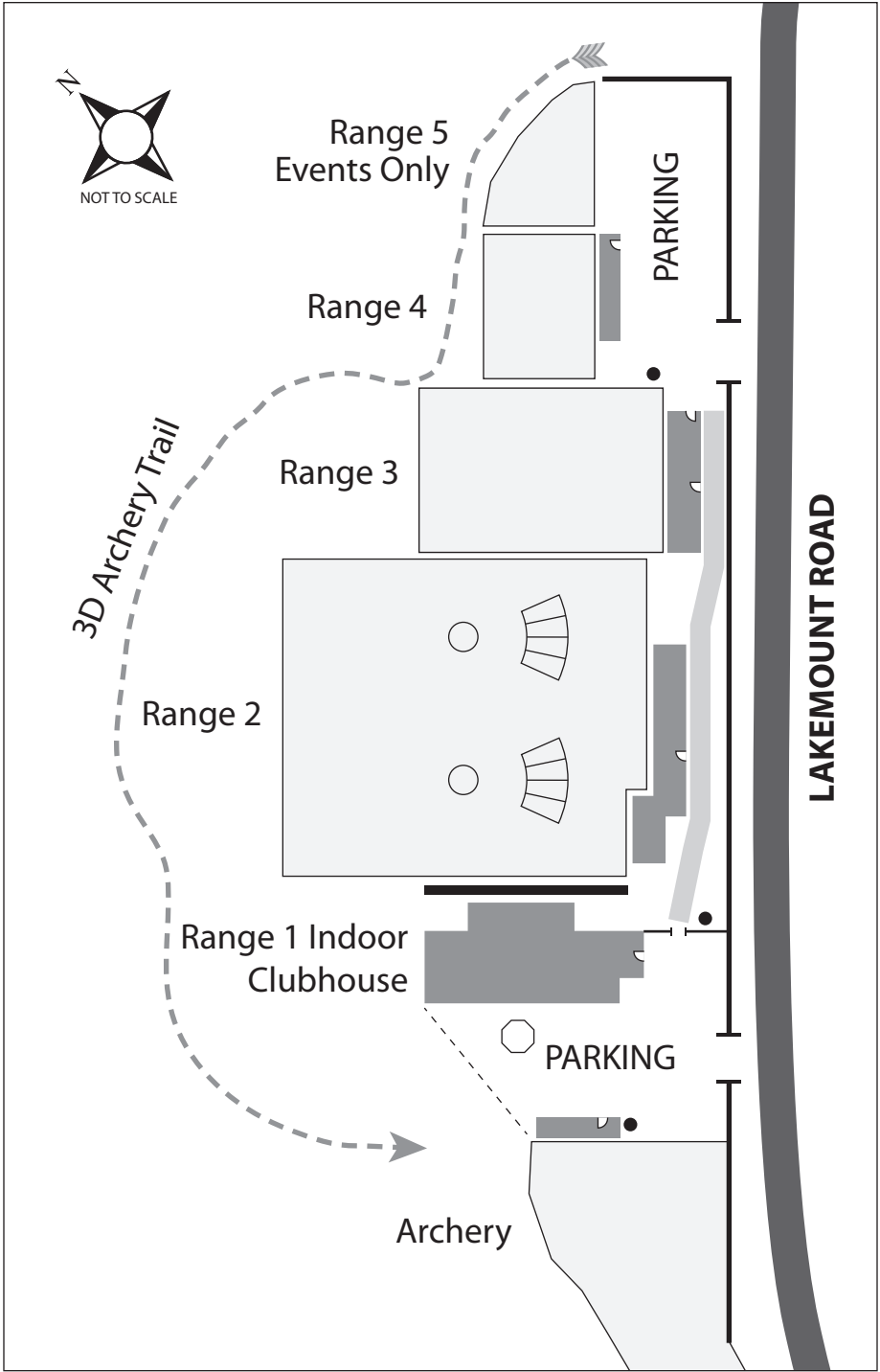


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The Vital Four ACTS of Firearm Safety

Assume every firearm is loaded.

Control the muzzle direction at all times.

Trigger finger must be kept off the trigger and out of the trigger guard.

See that the firearm is unloaded.

PROVE it safe.

Point the firearm in the safest available direction.

Remove all cartridges and ammunition.

Observe the chamber.

Verify the feeding path.

Examine the bore each time you pick up a firearm.

In case of accident call 911, the club address is:

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Revision History

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Club Description

Destination

The Abbotsford Fish and Game Club is located just east of Abbotsford, in beautiful British Columbia, Canada. Just 2km north of Highway #1. We offer a full service facility that caters to every type of outdoor and shooting enthusiast. Our range hours are 8:00 am to 10:00 pm Monday to Friday including stat holidays. Wednesdays all gun ranges close at 4:00 pm during Daylight Savings. Normally this is the second Sunday in March until the first Sunday in November. Weekends are from 10:00 am to 10:00 pm.

Please check our calendar and events page on our website for any schedule changes or special events prior to attending.

Range Facilities

Our outdoor ranges suit every type of shooter. **Range 2**, our 100 yard range facilitates trap, course shooting for rifles, shotguns and handguns to big bore target shooting up to 50 BMG. This range is open year round, but closes at dusk or 10:00 pm, whichever is earliest.

We also have **Range 3**, a 60 yard range where members are able to use rifles to a maximum calibre of 50 BMG, shotguns and all calibre handguns. It also features range lighting to allow for shooting after dark.

Range 4, our 20 yard range offers a great outlet for all calibre handguns, shotguns and rifles up to .308 Winchester. This range also features lighting for shooting after dark and coin operated overhead heating in 4 positions.

In addition, when the weather turns, **Range 1** offers a state of the art ventilated 16 position indoor handgun and archery range for our members to use during sub-club meetings. Please see the sub-club section of the website for further details.

AFGC hosts the Western International Pistol League for Precision Pistol competition and Tactical Defensive pistol styles of shooting. So whether you are interested in Olympic, Police/Law Enforcement, Tactical/Defensive, or IPSC (International Practical Shooting Confederation) styles of shooting we have it all for you.

For the archery enthusiast, we offer both indoor and outdoor archery. Our outdoor range boasts a well covered shooting area and has butts at 20, 25, 30, and 50 yards. We have one of the most realistic 3D target courses for archers that winds around the hillside surrounding the main club. If you like shooting a more realistic type course this one will meet your needs.

Range Operation & Safety Rules

Range Officer

The first Member to arrive is deemed to be the Acting Range Officer. This may be handed over to a certified Range Officer or another Member of AFGC at any time. A certified Range Officer may assume these duties at their discretion.

A Range Officer or an Acting Range Officer, as designated by these rules, shall enforce these Range Rules.

A Range Officer or Acting Range Officer who neglects or refuses to enforce these rules may be liable for a breach of these rules and a contravention of the by-laws.

Range is Hot

Red light/flag

Do not go forward of the firing line

Shooting may commence

Guns may be packed/unpacked only during hot range

Range is Safe

Green light/flag,

Do not handle firearms

Guns left on benches or racks during cease fire must be P.R.O.V.E. 'd safe and actions open

Safe to go forward of the firing line

Magazines may be loaded during cease fire as long as firearms are not handled
DO NOT load magazines at benches with firearms on them.

It is every shooters responsibility to know what is going on around them and to ensure all others on the line know as well. Always double check and confirm that everyone is prepared for firing to commence or for a cease fire.

General Range Rules

All persons on the range **MUST** wear eye and ear protection including spectators and non-shooting guests.

Firearms shall be discharged on designated ranges only.

All uncased firearms carried to and from the ranges shall be empty of ammunition and be carried with actions open. Uncased firearms must not be brought into the range sheds during a cease-fire.

Anyone who notices an unsafe condition at any time shall call a cease-fire and immediately notify the Range Safety Officer or Acting Range Officer.

Shooters shall stand back from the firing line after firing to indicate to the Range Officer that a cease-fire can be called to check targets.

Every person shall help keep the property clean by putting garbage and refuse in garbage barrels. Leave the range cleaner than when you arrived.

All shooters shall have a valid Membership Card visible at all times while on the ranges. Exception is made for those shooting in invitational matches, special events and member guests. Membership cards are not transferable.

Only the Executive shall authorize special activities or events and range closures.

When there is a special shooting event at a range, that range is closed for all other shooting activities until the event is over.

The doors to the range and clubhouse shall be closed upon entering and exiting at all times.

All junior members (individuals less than 18 years old) using the Club's ranges shall be supervised by an adult.

All casings/hulls must be cleaned up and disposed of properly. This includes .22's.

Vehicle parking is prohibited except in designated areas at the range. No parking shall obstruct the use of roads, gates or other parked vehicles.

No vehicle is permitted on range without the permission of the Range Officer and with prior approval by the executive.

Dogs are **NOT** permitted on the club property, leashed or not.

There shall be no firing before 10:00 am on weekends without prior approval from the Board of Directors, or 8:00 am on weekdays. Statutory holidays follow the same rules as the day they fall on.

Archery

Archery has use of the 3D range from dawn until 9:30 am Saturdays, Sundays and until 7:30 am weekdays, **NO FIREARMS** are permitted to be used on the shooting ranges during these times without prior authorization. The 3D range wraps all around the mountain, including in front of the firearm firing line. Wednesdays from 4:00 pm until 10:00 pm, all gun ranges are closed to allow archery to use the 3D Range on the mountain. All firearms must be bagged or cased before 4:00 pm and members must be off the firearms ranges. In addition the second Sunday of each month is reserved for archery only and as such **all ranges are closed to firearms.**

Targets

Target backers are **NOT** to be shot with shotguns. Members must provide their own targets and backers for all shotgun shooting.

No glass targets or targets containing glass are permitted – also no alcohol containers of any kind are permitted to be used as targets.

No Rated Pressure Vessels (eg Propane Tanks) of any kind, whether full or empty, are to be used as targets.

Shooting range markers, structures or barriers on purpose will result in loss of membership. This includes the Trap Houses and protective berms.

Targets are not to be placed on the top of Berms and/or Trap Houses.

Targets may be placed on the front face of the berms from ground level. Climbing on the berms is prohibited at any time.

Targets shall be placed on target backboards and may only be shot in this area, not on the support posts or frames.

Targets, target frames and bases must be returned to shooting bays/storage areas when done. Member supplied targets must be removed from club property when member leaves. Failure to do so will result in a warning the first time and on a second offence membership may be revoked for up to one year.

Blue barrels or any other targets not mentioned here are the property of sub-clubs and are not to be used without prior authorization.

Steel Targets

Pistol targets must be at least 10m from firing line.

Rifle targets must be at least 50m from firing line.

Sub clubs may have alternate distances as approved by the BOD.

Binary Explosive Targets

All Binary Explosive Targets that are now available in Canada under brand names like Tannerite and Shockwave are **BANNED** due to noise complaints to the bylaw office.

Smoking

NO SMOKING is permitted while on any of the ranges. Smoking is only permitted in designated areas.

Alcohol

ALCOHOLIC beverages are prohibited on all ranges without prior authorization. Persons whose behavior exhibits the influence of **ALCOHOL** or **DRUGS** will not be permitted on any range.

Range Maintenance

Range maintenance activities take precedence over shooting. When possible, notice will be given either by signage or by posting to the club's calendar. However, under no circumstances will a maintenance activity be delayed by any club member.

CERTIFIED RANGE OFFICERS/EXECUTIVE MAY ALTER AND/OR AMEND THESE RULES AT THEIR DISCRETION AS NECESSARY.

Guests

Adult spectators and children are the responsibility of the AFGC member who they came with and must remain under the AFGC member's control at all times.

All guests must purchase and wear a visitor pass from outside the ranges. Visitor passes are good for one person on one day and expire at 10:00 pm of each day and are nontransferable.

All guests, whether shooting or spectating, must wear eye and ear protection at all times while on the ranges.

It is important that the visitor pass information is completely filled out in accordance with the instructions for the guest to qualify for liability insurance while on the range.

The number of guests accompanying any member will be limited to no more than three (3) at any one time.

Failure to follow these instructions and instructions provided in this manual will transfer any and all liability for the guests' actions to the AFGC member.

Instructions

After purchasing a guest pass, fill out ALL of the information on the envelope. Next, peel the sticker off and place it on the provided backing card on top of the area marked VOID.

The pass must be worn on the outer clothing of the guest at all times while on the range. When leaving for the day, please put the guest pass in the envelope and deposit it into the marked box on the range.

Membership Information

All existing and prospective members should read this important information about club membership. Your membership information can be accessed on our website under the Membership Menu. If you do not have access to the internet or do not feel comfortable using the website, please contact our membership coordinator at 604-852-4101 and follow the instructions.

Membership Contacts

For questions regarding membership please contact our membership chairman: membership@afgc.ca

Membership Details

The Abbotsford Fish and Game club is for members ONLY. By purchasing this membership you are granted access to the use of Ranges #2-4 and the Archery Range for the times specified on the calendar (these are subject to change from time to time so please ensure you check the calendar on the website prior to

coming to the range). You also have the ability to bring up to a maximum of 3 guests per visit and are responsible for them during their visit. You will also receive a membership to the BC Wildlife Federation with a liability coverage of up to \$3M while in the act of shooting/hunting/fishing. By purchasing this membership you are agreeing that you have read, understood and will comply with the AFGC range rules. Failure to comply with the rules and safety requirements of the range will result in suspension and/or termination of your membership.

Membership Proximity Cards

The club uses a proximity card access control system. This system will help streamline your entering and exiting the ranges by eliminating the need for a manual log book.

Your proximity card is your membership card and contains an embedded chip that allows access to ranges during open hours.

When you arrive at the range you will now be required to tap your membership card on the Door Access Reader to unlock the door and sign-in. All members must sign-in with their own cards, this includes family members who have been issued their own cards. When the light bar on the access reader turns green, you may enter the range. If the door will not open, try pulling on the door while tapping your card to release the latch. Once you have entered with your card, please ensure the door is closed behind you.

Members will be issued one card. If your card is lost or stolen, please report it immediately to the Membership Chair and you will be issued a new one at a cost of \$10.

Work Bees

Work Bees typically happen once a month and members are strongly encouraged to attend and help out with the maintenance of the club and club grounds. A member may choose to opt out of the work bees for an additional charge paid up front during membership signup/renewal.

If you did not participate in a work bee last year you will be charged a \$25 work bee fee. In order to have the work bee fee waived you must attend one work bee (approx. 4 hours) in the membership year.

Membership Delivery Policy

A person who renews their membership can do so via online payment or via cheque/cash payment mailed to the club PO Box or directly to a sub-club head (their renewal form and/or membership renewal invoice must accompany payment). If renewal is done online the member is to print a copy of their completed transaction and keep with them when attending the range until such time as they receive their colour/dated sticker in the mail (this may take up to 60 days) that is to be put on their membership card (this must be displayed as ALL times when on the ranges). If renewal is done with a sub-club head a new colour/

dated sticker will be provided and placed on the membership card immediately.

A person who applies for a new membership will be required to make an appointment with the Membership group for a site orientation and to have their membership photo ID card printed complete with up to date sticker. New members are not permitted to utilize the range until this process has been completed and they have their card in hand.

Note that the total membership has been capped, so once we reach this number NEW applicants will have their name entered onto a waiting list. If a spot opens as a result of a current member who fails to renew their membership by the due date or has had their membership revoked as a result of disciplinary action the next person on the waiting list will be contacted by the Membership Chairman to confirm if they still wish to join.

Renewal System

You will be sent out an invoice by email only in April of each year unless you have specified that you wish to receive it by mail. If you have not received your invoice prior to April 30th please contact the membership chair at membership@afgc.ca.

Payments

Payments can be made electronically by following the link on the invoice to an online payment merchant where you can pay via Visa or Mastercard. You can also print off a copy of the invoice and issue a cheque payment which can either be given to one of the sub-club heads or mailed to the club. Once payment is received a new sticker will be issued which must be put on your membership card.

Updating Your Membership

At any time you can update your profile information on the website. If you do not remember your password you can reset it under the Update Membership section by entering the email address you submitted when you filled out your membership form. If you cannot remember or do not have an email address associated with your account, please contact the Membership Chair at: 604-852-4101 or email membership@afgc.ca.

Memberships are renewed on an annual basis. Please read Membership Renewals for important notes about this process.

Refund Policy

The Abbotsford Fish and Game Club does not provide refunds on membership purchases.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Unless given previous approval from the Board of Directors, under NO circumstances is a member permitted to utilize the range for commercial enterprise and if they are found doing so this will result in immediate termination of membership.

Follow The Four Firearms Safety Rules

Always assume every
firearm is loaded.

Do not point the muzzle at anything
you are not willing to destroy.

Keep your finger off the trigger until
your sights are on target and you've
made a conscious decision to shoot.

Know your target and
what's behind it.



We promote keen interest in family and outdoor activities with an emphasis on the environment, conservation, sportsmanship, and safety.

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