

## **BIG TIMBER RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB**

### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP RULES:**

1. It is the responsibility of each member, participant and guest to follow all Big Timber Rifle and Pistol Club (BTRPC) General Membership Rules as well as Standard and Specific Range Rules. Your signature at the bottom of these rules acknowledges that you have read, understand and will abide strictly by these rules when on club property.
2. All members must participate in a range orientation prior to being issued a gate key and using the ranges or facilities of the club.
3. Members are responsible for the actions of their guests. Members will ensure that their guests know and understand all BTRPC General Membership Rules as well as Range Rules and Emergency Procedures prior to the guests using the ranges or facilities of the club, and that their guests abide by all such rules while on club property.
4. Rule violations by guests may result in enforcement actions against both the guest and the hosting member.
5. Anyone observing a violation of any rule must immediately bring it to the attention of a Range Safety Officer (if present) and/or the person committing the violation so corrective action may be taken and further violations may be avoided.
6. The hunting or killing of any animals or birds on club property is strictly forbidden at all times, whether domestic or wild, in season or out. Violations are criminal acts.
7. Club property shall not be destroyed or removed from the range by any person without specific permission from the Board of Directors. Violations are criminal acts.
8. BTRPC ranges and facilities are unstaffed outside of formal events and scheduled training. Members present and using the ranges and facilities during unstaffed activities are expected to act as Range Safety Officers (RSO) for themselves and their guests, coordinating with others as required.
9. Commands of a RSO must be obeyed by all persons on that range, whether participating in activities or just observing.
10. No alcoholic beverages or controlled substances are permitted on BTRPC property, including empty containers. In addition, no shooter scheduled to fire will be allowed to fire if it can be determined that the shooter has been drinking an alcoholic beverage or is under the influence of a controlled substance before he/she is scheduled to shoot.
11. A shooter who does not appear to be able to safely handle firearms for reasons of illness, or consumption of legal or illegal drugs, or for any unknown reason, will be removed from the range without firing. The RSO will make this decision. The decision of the RSO is final.
12. All Certified Firearms Instructors who wish to conduct training of any sort on club property must first register with the BTRPC Board of Directors before commencing training.
13. Pets on club property must be on a leash or remain in vehicles.
14. Smoking is not allowed in the classroom or within 10 feet of the entrance to the classroom. Smoking is limited to outside graveled areas. Smokers are to clean up after themselves, properly picking up and depositing used smoking materials in a trash can.
15. Anyone observing repeated rule violations after the violator has been made aware of their violation, or severe violations resulting in theft or destruction of property or poaching, are asked to report violations to the Board of Directors and/or the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office or the Oregon State Police as deemed appropriate for the violation.
16. Any violation of a General Membership Rule or Range Rule may result in a penalty up to and including the permanent revocation of your membership without reimbursement.

## **RANGE RULES:**

1. Shooting hours begin at 9:00am and end at sunset or 8:00pm, whichever is earlier, all year long, regardless of daylight hours. After daylight shooting on the range requires specific permission from the Board of Directors for a designated date and time, and for each occurrence.
2. Formal events of Big Timber Rifle and Pistol Club and scheduled training by law enforcement or authorized instructors will include the designation of an official Range Safety Officer and a Match/Training Director, one person may at times be designated for both roles.
3. Informal shooting shall not interfere with formal events and scheduled training but may be permitted at the discretion of the Match/Training Director of the event or training.
4. Firearms shall be discharged only in a safe direction, so that the projectile's impact occurs in a pre-designated location specifically designed to safely dissipate all of the projectile's energy.
5. Only firearms in safe working order that have been properly maintained shall be discharged.
6. When not in a shooting station, all firearms shall be carried in a case or unloaded with the cylinder/breech open and in a safe manner. This rule extends to range parking lots.
7. No firearms shall be loaded until the shooter is at the shooting station. Loading is considered as putting ammunition into any part of the firearm. Magazines may be loaded before approaching the firing line, but magazines may not be placed into the firearm until the shooter is at the shooting station. There will be no loaded firearms behind the yellow safety line.
8. Cease Fire Command, Cold Range and Hot Range Designations:
  - a. Anyone may call a 'Cease Fire' at any time, for any reason.
  - b. When a 'Cease Fire' is called, the range is immediately designated a 'Cold Range' and all firearm actions must be opened, emptied of all ammunition, and moved safely to the rack.
  - c. No person may go forward of a firing line except during a designated 'Cold Range.'
  - d. During a 'Cold Range,' all firearms are to remain safely racked and there is to be absolutely no touching or handling of any firearms.
  - e. During a 'Cold Range' there is to be no handling of firearms for the purposes of packing to leave, or unpacking upon arrival.
  - f. All firearms must remain unloaded, racked or packed and untouched, while any person is down range and until the 'Hot Range' designation is called.
  - g. Only after the 'Hot Range' designation is called, may firearms be once again moved to the firing line for loading/firing and/or packed and unpacked for transportation.
9. A firearm shall not be handled with the muzzle pointed in the direction of any person.
10. Approved eye and hearing protection is required for every person on all firearm ranges.
11. No firearms chambered in .50 BMG are to be discharged on the range.
12. No tracer rounds of any kind are to be used on the range.
13. No exploding targets, exploding bullets, or incendiary devices are to be used at any time.
14. No glass, plastics, metals or woods not specifically and commercially designed as targets shall be used as targets on any range (vegetables, fruit, furniture, electronics, cans of any type are not range authorized targets). Paper, cardboard or clay targets and backers, along with proper stands and throwing devices, shall be used at all times.
15. After using a range you and your party are responsible for the immediate cleanup of that range. Remove used targets, pickup empty cartridge brass and live ammunition, sweep if necessary; unwanted live ammunition can be deposited in the red "dud" can.  
**DO NOT THROW LIVE AMMUNITION INTO ANY GARBAGE CAN OR GARBAGE PILE.**

### **EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:**

- BTRPC has no provisions for emergency medical care on its ranges or property. It is the responsibility of each BTRPC member or event organizer to provide emergency medical equipment and support as necessary. Non-club events, i.e. LE training, defensive firearm training, group events... Must provide a minimum of an emergency first aid kit, gunshot trauma kit and a qualified first aid provider to conduct events at BTRPC.
- Emergency medical support is available from Siletz Volunteer Fire Department or Lincoln County Emergency responders.
- Cell phone communications is very weak on BTRPC property.
- In the event of an emergency or incident on the range/BTRPC property contact the Club President or Range Manager as soon as possible.