WCFW Range Safety Rules

Weld County Fishing & Wildlife Shooting hours Weekdays 7:30AM to Sunset; Weekends 8:00AM to Sunset.

- **Always treat all firearms as if they were loaded.**
- **Keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.**
- **Keep the firearm unloaded until ready to use**
- **Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.**
- **All barrels should be checked for obstructions before firing.**

EXCEPT UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF A CLUB ORGANIZED AND OFFICIATED EVENT THE FOLLOWING RULES APPLY:

1 Range Officers

1.1 The first WCFW member to arrive on any berm will function as Range Officer with the following responsibilities:
- Oversee all activities.
- Issue range commands, including cease fires. The range officer must be sure others hear and understand their commands.
- Enforce all rules.

1.2 Range Officer responsibilities can be transferred to another member when all present are in agreement.

1.3 WCFW Range Officers may establish a common firing line forward of benches when all present are in agreement.

2 Targets/Ammunition

2.1 The only objects that may be shot at on the range property are removable targets furnished by the member or designated targets furnished by the club.
- Ballistic gel targets are considered acceptable when they conform to all other rules regarding member supplied targets.

2.2 **Glass Targets are forbidden. Explosive targets are forbidden.**

2.3 No incendiary (tracers) or explosive ammunition is permitted.

2.4 No ground targets, where bullets fired at the target are likely to impact the ground

2.5 All bullets must impact the berm. Shots are not permitted to impact the range floor.

2.6 Only targets constructed of paper or other penetrable material are allowed except;
- The club-provided steel targets on North 1 and 2 may be shot with non-magnum handguns and handgun-caliber rifles only.
- Plinking or steel targets are allowed on the South 4 - 100 yard range and North 4. These must be placed as close to the back berm as possible.

2.7 Steel jacketed or steel core ammunition may not be fired at steel targets.

2.8 Shotguns may only be used on the clay target ranges, and the South 4 and North 4 berms.

2.9 All targets, empty hulls and/or debris must be removed when member is finished.

2.10 No “machineguns” or fully automatic firearms or devices designed to mimic fully automatic fire or increase the rate of fire of a firearm such as, but not limited to, forced reset or binary triggers, are allowed to be used on club property except during club approved and sanctioned events.

3 Gun Handling

3.1 Actions of all uncased firearms shall be kept open during a cease fire and when otherwise not in use.

3.2 Safely holstered handguns are not considered “uncased.”

3.3 All uncased firearms will be unloaded immediately upon the command "Cease fire."
3.4 There shall be no handling of firearms during a cease fire.
3.5 There shall be no handling, loading or unloading of firearms behind the established firing line. This includes personal defense firearms.
3.6 Loaded firearms shall not be removed from the firing line unless holstered.
3.7 Eye and ear protection is required at all times on or near the firing line.

4 Clay Sports Ranges

4.1 No handguns or rifles may be fired on the clay target ranges.
4.2 Only shells containing 7 ½ size shot or smaller are allowed on the clay target ranges.
4.3 Only authorized personnel may load trap machines.
4.4 A pattern board for shotguns is available west of skeet range 1.
4.5 **Slugs are not allowed** on the clay target ranges or patterning board.
4.6 Trap - Unless shooting doubles, only one shell is to be loaded in the gun at any time.
4.7 Skeet, 5 Stand & Sporting Clays - No more than 2 shells are to be loaded in the gun at any time.
4.8 Personal clays and throwers are allowed but must not interfere with the other shotgun activities. They must be used just east of trap field 3 or at the west end of the sporting clays course between station 10 and 11 facing west.

5 Archery

5.1 No firearms may be fired on the Archery Range.
5.2 Only field tips may be shot at the provided archery targets.
5.3 Broadheads may only be shot in the broadhead pit.

6 WCFW Rules of Operation

6.1 All guests must complete a non member waiver upon entering the range for each visit.
- Members/Associate Members may have up to two guests each visit who participate in shooting activities. All guests on club property must complete a non-member waiver regardless of their level of participation in shooting activities.
- Members are responsible for the safety and actions of their guest.
- Anyone under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult member.
- All members must provide proof of membership if and when asked.

6.2 Unsanctioned events (formal competitions, compensated training or classes) are not allowed.
6.3 Wildlife may not be shot on the range property.
6.4 Damaging club property or dumping personal trash will be grounds for immediate dismissal from the club.
6.5 All vehicles must stay on the roads and designated parking areas.
6.6 Loud and abusive language will not be permitted.
6.7 Pets:
- All pets must be leashed or confined in a vehicle, or otherwise restrained while on range property.
- Pets are not allowed in WCFW buildings.
- You must clean up after your pets.

6.8 No possession or consumption of alcohol or other intoxicating substances is permitted on the range property.
6.9 Personal defense handguns are allowed and encouraged at this facility but must remain holstered when behind the firing line, unless employed in a self defense situation.
6.10 All local, state and federal laws must be followed.
6.11 Report Violations to the grounds keeper or a WCFW board member