Wildcat Valley Rifle and Pistol Club Range Rules

Spring 2026

General WVRPC Rules

1. Always keep muzzles pointed in a safe direction.
2. Keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to fire at a target.
3. Club keys/cards may not be loaned to anyone and must be returned when membership is terminated.
4. Club badges must be prominently displayed while on club property.
5. No hunting is allowed on club property under any circumstances.
6. Removal of firewood from club property must be approved by two Trustees.
7. It is prohibited for any firearm to be fired on full automatic fire on club property. Bump stocks are prohibited. Forced Reset and Binary Triggers are prohibited. Tracer/incendiary ammunition and steel core ammunition is prohibited (steel core ammunition is acceptable on paper targets only). No .50 BMG cartridges, .50 BMG variants, or any other high energy round o 8000 foot-pounds of muzzle energy or greater shall be fired on WVRPC property.
8. Ranges are open from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.
9. **All guests shall be supervised at all times.** Members must be on the same range as their guest(s) or family members. Members are responsible for the actions of their guests/family members.
10. **No alcoholic beverages or controlled substances are allowed on club property.** No one may be on club property under the influence of drugs or alcohol. Violation of this rule will result in expulsion.
11. Eye and hearing protection is required on all ranges.
12. Loaded firearms are not permitted in the clubhouse. Remove the magazine and check the chamber/cylinders before leaving the firing line or your vehicle.
13. WVRPC ranges are "**Cold Ranges."** Do not load any firearm until you are on the firing line and ready to shoot or directed to load by a range officer. Firearms shall be empty unless the shooter is on the firing line and ready to shoot. Empty firearms carried away from the firing line shall be empty with the action open and flagged, or secured in a holster, bag, or cart.
14. Confirm that the firing line is safe before proceeding beyond the firing line.
15. Do not handle firearms while others are downrange. *Remember to check downrange for anyone prior to loading or firing*. **Confirm that the range is clear.**
16. Glass objects (bottles, etc.) shall not be used as targets.
17. Explosive targets of any type are prohibited on WVRPC ranges.
18. Shooting at any improper steel targets or target frames with a high-power rifle is prohibited.
19. Destruction of club property (fence posts, building, etc.), including willful or negligent damage to target frames, carriers, actuators, etc. will be grounds for disciplinary action up to an including expulsion from the WVRPC.
20. Shooting from up-range of the furthest designated firing position on any range is prohibited.
21. There are range limitations posted on some ranges. Violation of these limitations will subject members to disciplinary action up to an including expulsion from the WVRPC.
22. Park in designated parking areas only. Parking is allowed in the gravel area next to the clubhouse, at the entrance to Range 7, at the entrance to Range 8, and at the 320-yard line on Range 1. <u>Parking is allowed along the old entrance road, etc. during club meetings only and for match participant overflow.</u>
23. Parking in a manner that unnecessarily impedes other shooters/disciplines is prohibited.

24. **Use caution when driving in front of the trap and skeet houses (Ranges 9 and 10).** Check to see if there is anyone on the firing line and honk your horn to signal your approach. Wait for a signal that it is clear to proceed.
25. Leave ranges in the same, or better, condition in which you find them. **Remove trash, police brass, replace target stands, etc.**
26. All targets are to be placed so that ricochets or pass-through rounds are contained by the berms.
27. Appropriate Steel Targets Defined:
    a. Must be designed for use as a firearm target. Items such as frying pans, scrap steel, or any other steel that is not expressly designated as a firearm target is prohibited.
    b. Bottlenecked rifle cartridges with a muzzle velocity of 1400-3300 fps must use AR500 or greater abrasion-resistant steel targets that are designed to withstand rifle impacts and deflect the round appropriately.
    c. Cartridges with a velocity of less than 1400 fps may use any steel target that is designed for use as a firearm target.
    d. Minimum allowable firing distance and set up of AR500 engineered steel targets must be in compliance with the manufacturer's recommendations for safe usage.
    e. Members who want to use their own AR500 engineered steel targets must receive a steel target orientation. Email safety@wvrpc.org to arrange a target orientation.

Range Specific Rules

Range 1

1. Park your vehicle and enter at the 320-yard line when using Range 1. This allows others to observe that the range is in use and allows the trap and skeet ranges (9 and 10) to also be in use.
2. Never enter or leave the scoring pits except through the high-power range itself.
3. Never exit the pits and re-enter the range unless you know the firing line is safe. Two-way radios are recommended.
4. Always remain between the target standards and the pit all when the range is in use.
5. Eye and ear protection is required when working the pits.
6. The 320-yard bench is the furthest allowable firing line on this range.
7. No targets are to be placed on top of the pit wall. Only approved targets are to be placed in front of the pit wall.
8. All unfired cartridges, empty brass/shells/casings, etc. shall be picked up and properly disposed of.

Range 2

1. The Field Pistol Targets (East) and the Small-Bore Targets (West) are limited to the caliber firearms specified on the signs in each area.
2. The sight-in bench may be used to sight-in all allowable calibers of firearms at 100 yards using the target backing provided.
3. When the sight-in bench is in use **do not enter the gray painted area** of the firing line.
4. Steel Restrictions: Only appropriate steel targets are allowed on this range.
5. The sight-in bench is the furthest allowable firing line on this range.

Ranges 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

1. Steel Restrictions: Only appropriate steel targets are allowed on these ranges.
2. Firing up-range of the shortest side berm is not permitted.
3. Plate tables are restricted to loads of 1400 fps or less.
4. Shotgun slugs and steel shot are prohibited on Ranges 4 and 5.
5. Shooters may shoot from the concrete on Range 3.

Range 8

1. Steel Restrictions: Only appropriate steel targets are allowed on this range.
2. Firing up-range of the shortest side berm is not permitted.
3. All unfired cartridges, empty brass/shells/casings, etc. shall be picked up and properly disposed of.

Ranges 9 and 10

1. No shot larger than #7½ or greater than 1300 fps may be fired southward.
2. Shotguns shall remain unloaded and the action open until the shooter's turn to shoot.
3. Watch for vehicles needing to use the road in front of the trap houses.
4. Load and fire only from designated firing positions.
5. Pick up all trash (this includes all spent shells).
6. When shooting skeet be courteous to Range 1 occupants.

Shotgun Pattering Board (near Range 10) Rules

1. No shot larger than #7½ allowed. No steel shot is allowed.

-------***Cut and return signature. Keep the above rules for your reference***------

I have read and understand these rules.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

***Members are required to sign the range rules yearly. Please return a copy of the signed range rules with your dues payment. Make a copy of the range rules for your records. Range rules may also be found on the club website at:* **www.wvrpc.org**