

#### **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

# **GEM CITY OUTDOORSMEN CLUB**

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## AS A CLUB MEMBER, IT IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CARE FOR OUR CLUB AND DO YOUR PART

I will conduct myself in an orderly manner and will heed any and all instructions given by a range officer while using the facilities. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless from liability the Gem City Outdoorsmen Club, the officers, directors, and trustees from any injury that I may incur while using the facilities of the club.

## MANDATORY GEM CITY OUTDOORSMEN CLUB RANGE SAFETY VERIFICATION

Several incidents of unsafe and dangerous firearm handling practices have been witnessed on the Pistol/100-yard Rifle Range recently. This disregard for basic firearm safety and lack of respect for club rules must stop immediately. These incidents of unsafe gun handling have placed fellow members in jeopardy, and fear of injury has been reported. It is the duty of all members to police the pistol and rifle ranges to ensure that strict safety rules are practiced at all times.

Therefore, the Board of Directors has acted to institute the following rules and policies in addition to the Range Rules posted at the gun range. All members are to read this document and sign their name below to attest that they have read, understand, and will abide by these requirements while on the ranges. A Range Safety Verification Card will be issued by the Board of Directors once this document has been returned, and must be carried along with your membership card every time you shoot.

#### NRA Rules for Safe Gun Handling

- ALWAYS keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
- ALWAYS keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot.
- ALWAYS keep your gun unloaded until ready to shoot.

## Gem City Range Safety Rules and Policies

- Read, know, and obey all posted Range Safety Rules.
- Know you target and what is beyond.
- Know where other shooters are at all times.
- All firearms are to be carried to and from the range UNLOADED with ACTION OPEN.
- Firearms are only allowed to be loaded at the bench areas.
- NO FIREARMS are to have a loaded chamber while at the ready behind the benches.
   Magazines must be out with action open.
- When the range is "CLEAR" all firearms are to be placed on the bench or rack with the safety engaged and not touched.
- THE PISTOL AND 100-YARD RIFLE RANGE ARE CONSIDERED ONE UNIT AND MUST BE CLOSED OR "CLEAR" AT THE SAME TIME.
- When the range is "CLEAR" all firearms are to have the magazine out and slide, bolt, or cylinder open.
- If there is a "CEASE FIRE" all shooters on the PISTOL AND 100-YARD RIFLE RANGE are to stop firing immediately, engage the safety, and put the firearm down.
- UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES IS ANYONE TO COMMENCE FIRING WHEN THERE ARE OTHERS DOWN EITHER RANGE. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS RULE WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP PRIVLEDGES.
- MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONDUCT AND ACTIONS OF THEIR GUESTS.

Sign and return this entire form to any director. Your Range Safety Verification Card will be returned, and must be carried along with your GCOC Membership Card any time you are shooting at the ranges.

I have read and understand the above range rules and policies. I agree to comply with all Range Rules set forth by the Gem City Outdoorsmen Club. I agree to monitor for safe range practices, and report any concerns to the Board.

Signed	Date		
Print Name	Text		
Mailing Address	Email		
	Phone		

## **Gem City Outdoorsmen Club**

#### **Range Rules and General Information**

FOR YOUR SAFETY AND THE SAFETY OF OTHERS, WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED THE FOLLOWING RULES OF CONDUCT WHEN YOU ARE ON THE RANGE AND AT THE CLUB. PLEASE FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THEM.

- RANGES ARE FOR MEMBERS ONLY. One guest at a time, then that guest must become a member.
- YOU MUST OBEY INSTRUCTIONS FROM A RANGE OFFICER IF HE/SHE IS PRESENT.
- ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ARE PREMITTED ON THE RANGES.
- ABSOLUTELY NO FIREARMS SHOULD BE LOADED OR HANDLED WHEN THERE ARE PEOPLE FORWARD OF THE FIRING LINE.
- BE SURE THAT ALL ACTIONS AND LOADING GATES ARE OPEN AND THAT THE FIRING LINE IS DECLARED "SAFE" BEFORE PROCEEDING FORWARD OF THE FIRING LINE.
- ABSOLUTELY NO AERIAL SHOOTING WITH RIFLES OR HANDGUNS IS PERMITTED. ALL SHOOTING MUST BE DIRECTED INTO THE GRAVEL BANK BACKSTOPS.
- ARCHERY SHOOTING WILL BE AT DESIGNATED TARGETS ON THE WALK THROUGH TRAILS OR AT THE PRACTICE RANGE.
- SHOTGUNS- PATTTERNING SHOTGUNS ONLY AT CARDBOARD TARGETS HUNG ON THE WIRE, west of trap house.
- DO NOT PLACE TARGETS ON TOP OF OR ATTACHED TO THE TARGET FRAMES AND UPRIGHTS. GLASS TARGETS ARE PROHIBITED.
- NO FULLY AUTOMATIC FIREARMS ARE PERMITTED.
- EYE AND HEARING PROTECTION MUST BE WORN.
- BEFORE LEAVING, COLLECT AND DISPOSE OF PAPER TARGETS AND ALL TRASH IN RECEPTICALES PROVIDED.

- POND IS OPEN FOR FISHING BUT IS A CATCH AND RELEASE AREA ONLY WITH BARBLESS HOOKS.
- PORT-A-JONS ARE AVAILABLE WHEN THE CLUB HOUSE IS NOT OPEN.
- POLICE THE GROUNDS AND HELP KEEP THEM CLEAN.
- MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE CARRIED WHEN USING THE CLUBGROUNDS.
- <u>DIRECTOR MEETINGS</u> ARE AT 6:45 PM ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY FOLLOWED BY THE <u>GENERAL MEETING</u>. All members are invited to attend either or both of the meetings.
- FLY TIERS MEET THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH
- TRAP HOUSE IS OPEN FOR PRACTICE ON SUNDAYS & TUESDAYS.
- ALWAYS CHECK BULLETIN BOARDS FOR ANY CHANGE OF SHOOTING HOURS/DAYS BECAUSE OF SPECIAL EVENTS.
- RIFLE AND SHOTGUN RANGES WILL BE CLOSED FOR SCHEDULED ARCHERY AND YOUTH EVENTS.
- IF YOU OPEN THE COMBINATION LOCK ON THE GATE, BE SURE THE GATE IS SECURELY OPENED AND ATTACHED TO THE POSTS PROVIDED OR CLOSED WHEN YOU PASS THROUGH. USE CAUTION DRIVING THROUGH IF YOU DO NOT FASTEN IT, AS THE WIND WILL PUSH IT OPEN AND SHUT. WHEN LEAVING, BE SURE TO SECURE THE LOCK.
- USE A SAFE SPEED WHEN DRIVING ON THE GROUNDS.
- ATV use is permitted for Club events only by authorized persons.
- JUNIOR MEMBERS MUST BE WITH A CURRENT MEMBER OF THE CLUB WHILE USING THE GROUNDS.

SAFETY AND SPORTSMANSHIP ARE VERY IMPORTANT AT G.C.O.C. PLEASE REPORT
ANY INCIDENTS THAT ARE AGAINST OUR POLICIES. ANYONE FOUND IN
VIOLATION OF ANY OF THESE RULES IS SUBJECT TO EXPULSION AND/OR
PROSECUTION.

Visit our website at <u>www.gemcityoutdoorsmenclub.com</u> or join our FACEBOOK page for current updates and upcoming events.

Keep your electronic access card secure. If it is lost or damaged, it will cost \$25 to replace it.