

# SECOND KNOLL TARGET RANGE

## Operating Policy

### 1.0 STATEMENT OF AUTHORITY AND REFERENCES

These Policies are established based on the following documents:

- A. The By-Laws of the White Mountain Shooters Association (WMSA), Article II.3.
- B. WMSA Second Knoll Target Range Safety Rules
- C. WMSA Incident Report
- D. WMSA Notice of Range Violation
- E. WMSA Removal Appeal form
- F. Second Knoll Target Range RSO Training Lesson Plan (September 5, 2020)
- G. Second Knoll Target Range Waiver of Liability, Release, Hold Harmless and Indemnification Agreement
- H. Arizona Game & Fish Department Operating Plan dated June 2014.
- I. Arizona Game & Fish Department Incident Reports Policy
- J. Arizona Game & Fish Department Customer Removal Policy

### 1.1 CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

- A. Changes to current Policies may be made on an as needed basis by the WMSA Board of Directors. Any WMSA member may recommend a Policy change by contacting the CRSO or President with the specific Policy to be changed and the suggested language. The WMSA Board of Directors will be the approving authority for any changes to existing Policies. The BOD may approve changes at an in-person monthly

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- meeting or, when time is of the essence, via an email motion and vote of BOD members pursuant to WMSA quorum requirements.
- B. Additions to Second Knoll Target Range Policies may also be made on an as needed basis using the procedure above.
  - C. The WMSA Secretary shall initiate an annual review of Second Knoll Target Range Policies by the BOD.

### 1.2 APPLICABILITY

The Second Knoll Range Policies are applicable to all White Mountain Shooters Association (WMSA) members, associated Clubs, visitors and other persons present on the Second Knoll Target Range property. Enforcement of these Policies will be the responsibility of the BOD and RSOs on duty at any given time.

### 1.3 DEFINITIONS

The following definitions will apply to Second Knoll Range Policies

- A. Aerial Targets – any target designed to be launched through the air, such as clay pigeons.
- B. Ammunition – self-contained cartridge of given caliber capable of being loaded into a firearm to send a projectile toward a target by harnessing the explosive reaction of gunpowder. Also components used in a black-powder or antique firearm.
- C. AZGFD – Arizona Game and Fish Department.
- D. Bays – Designated self-contained shooting areas bounded by berms on three sides.
- E. Baywatch – The WMSA committee charged with scheduling and monitoring the use of shooting bays on the Second Knoll Target Range complex.
- F. BOD – WMSA Board of Directors.

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- G. Brass – The empty cartridge case remaining after ammunition has been fired, including cartridges made of brass, aluminum, steel or other materials. AKA hulls.
- H. Caliber – The diameter of a firearm projectile in inches or millimeters. Also, the specific ammunition used in a given firearm.
- I. Cease Fire – Range command intended to halt the discharge of all firearms, either due to an unsafe action/condition on the Range or an interruption in shooting to allow shooters to inspect, post or remove targets. Anyone on the Range may call a Cease Fire any time a safety issue is observed.
- J. Club(s) – Specialty shooting groups sanctioned by WMSA and entitled to operate on the Second Knoll Target Range and under the insurance coverage of WMSA
- K. Coaching–Providing informal instruction and or shooting tips/ recommendations to an individual shooter by another at no cost. See also Instructor.
- L. CRSO – Chief Range Safety Officer. Officer of the WMSA Board of Directors duly elected to manage Second Knoll Target Range operations.
- M. Dents or Craters – Indentations in steel targets resulting from bullet strikes or other actions that may deflect a fired bullet back toward the shooter.
- N. Down range – Direction away from shooters and toward the targets.
- O. Eyes and Ears – Eye and Ear protection required on the Range during active firing.
- P. Explosive Targets – Targets intended to explode upon being struck by a projectile from a firearm. i.e. Tannerite or similar compounds.
- Q. Fees (Club Fee/Range Fee)–money paid to WMSA or a sanctioned Club as compensation for use of Range facilities.

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- R. Firing Line –the area between the Red and Yellow Lines on the 100/50yd Ranges. Discharge of all firearms shall be done at the Red Line on the public range or designated firing area on bay ranges.
- S. FS /USFS – United States Forest Service and/or the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest.
- T. Ground Targets –targets intended to be placed directly on the ground instead of being elevated by use of a target stand or frame.
- U. IAW – in accordance with.
- V. Instruction – paid, one-on-one, or class orientated training presented by an instructor to teach students about firearms or shooting.
- W. Junior – a shooter under the age of 16 years. Alternately, a participant in the Young Guns Shooting Club. Juniors do not pay to shoot when accompanied by an adult, but must sign in on the Daily Range Log and sign a Waiver.
- X. Match – a competition among shooters in a WMSA sanctioned Club.
- Y. Member/Membership (Individual/Family/Junior) – Current member of the White Mountain Shooters Association with either an Individual or Family Membership. Spouses and minor children living in the same household of a Family Membership holder are also Members.
- Z. Public/Main Range – 100 yd. Range.
- AA. Range Condition HOT/COLD –during active Range operations
  - i. A HOT Range condition exists when shooters on the Firing Line may fire weapons as desired, whether anyone else is shooting or not. All personnel must remain behind the RED Line during a HOT Range condition.

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- ii. A COLD Range condition exists when the Firing Line has been declared safe and shooters are permitted to go forward of the RED Line and attend to targets, pick up brass etc. Shooters are not permitted between the RED and YELLOW Lines during a COLD Range condition.

BB. Range Safety Officer/RSO – volunteer who is trained and certified IAW the WMSA RSO Training Lesson Plan and has completed two supervised shifts with fully qualified RSOs. The RSO supervises firearms use during public shooting or WMSA Club events to ensure the safety of all persons on the Range and are entitled to the benefits accrued to RSOs completing the requisite number of shifts per month.

CC. Shooter– for purposes of compliance with Arizona Game & Fish Department Operating Plan, all individuals actively shooting or observing shooters during public shooting or WMSA Club events and specifically includes anyone on the Range property or on FS Road 206 leading to the range. All Shooters are subject to RSO direction and commands.

DD. Target Frame/Backer – wooden frame with plastic backing used to hold targets upright for shooters on the Public Range.

EE. Target Stands – moveable wooden supports for Target Frames on the Public Range.

FF. Tracer/Incendiary Ammunition–ammunition which employs pyrotechnics to show the flight of a projectile or which initiate a pyrotechnic upon impact.

GG. Up range – direction away from targets, toward or behind shooters.

HH. Visitor –

- a. Any non-shooting individual on the Range accompanying or observing a shooter on the concrete and must sign the Daily Range Log (DRL) and a Second Knoll Target Range Waiver of Liability (Waiver.)

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- b. Any non-shooting individual on the Range who remains in their vehicle and is simply looking at the facilities. These visitors do NOT sign a Waiver and are not counted on the DRL.

II. WMSA – White Mountain Shooters Association; controlling organization for the Second Knoll Range.