



WITNEY PROJECTILE RANGE

COVID 19 Regulations

The following are MANDATORY conditions governing use of this Range:

- 1) All clubs/user groups **must conduct their own risk assessment**, as per current Government, National Rifle Association (NRA) and National Small-bore Rifle Association (NSRA) guidelines.
- 2) All clubs / user groups **must compile their own set of Covid-safe rules**, and **nominate a supervisory club official / Range Officer** to ensure that range use complies with them.
- 3) All clubs / user groups **must clean and sanitize surfaces, door handles, shooting benches, etc.** both **prior to, and at the end of their period of use**.
- 4) All clubs / user groups **must provide hand sanitizer and disposable hand towels** for their members use, and PPE and additional cleaning materials for their nominated official(s)/Range Officer(s).
- 5) **All clubs / user groups must maintain a COVID 19 'Track and Trace' Register**. This may be combined with the Range Register but **must** include:
 - a) **Full Name and Contact Details**;
 - b) **Time of Entry** (into the facility);
 - c) **Time of Exit** (from the facility);
 - d) **Space for notes** (i.e. legal / medical exemption from face covering).
- 6) **'Step 2 100sqft Rule' applies to the entire Range Complex** Applies to Club Room & Range. This means a MAXIMUM of :
 - **1 x nominated Official / Range Officer** (responsible for access control, completion of 'Track-and-Trace' Register, equipment sanitation, compliance, etc.);
 - **Maximum of 5 others** (i.e. Full members, or Probationers + coaches), at any one time;
 - **Groups of users must not mix** (changeover outside the facility).
- 7) **All individuals must wear a face covering when inside** this facility, unless legally/medically exempt (proof required).
- 8) **During Firing**. Use range EXTRACTION fans only (NOT circulatory); open doors where possible.
- 9) Users **may not share their firearms, equipment or ammunition**, unless shooting with a member of their own household (**equipment must be securely bagged between firing details**).
- 10) **Only authorised Range Officers, firers, coaches/instructors, and Safeguarding personnel may enter the facility** when the range is in use. **NO VISITORS**



COVID 19 - SUPPLEMENTARY NOTE to CLUBS / USER GROUPS

All users **MUST** comply with **WITNEY PROJECTILE RANGE - COVID 19 Regulations** Issued separately to all users, and displayed prominently at the Range.

The following suggestions have been made to us, and might assist range users:

- 1) **Pre-Booked Shooting 'Slots'**: Clubs / User Groups might consider the temporary introduction of a system of timed 'slots', possibly along the following lines:
 - a) Have a **fixed time 'slot'** for each 'group' (35min - 1 hour?), ensuring that time is allowed for changeover (3-5min?);
 - b) All places within these 'slots' **booked in advance** (no casual attendance), and **limited to one place in one 'slot' per session** to prevent cross-contamination and allow fair distribution.
 - c) Allow a **maximum of 5 persons** (in addition to the Range Officer / supervising official) shooters per 'slot'. This might be less if accommodating users with particular vulnerabilities;
 - d) Users **wait in the carpark** for their slot (late arrivals may have to lose their slot);
 - e) Allow **entry only after previous group has exited** the range;
 - f) Maintain **'Social Distancing' outside the range** complex, or wear a face-covering.
- 2) **Shooting Equipment / Firearms**. Each shooter should be instructed to arrive at the range self-contained, bringing all equipment and ammunition they intend to use with them.
 - a) **Club Firearms**. Clubs / User Groups **might choose to allow use of a club firearm** by members without their own firearm during their timed 'slot'.
Firearm Usage. Clubs / User Groups must judge how many users they can accommodate during each session, bearing in mind that, to prevent cross-infection, **club firearms should be deep cleaned¹ before and after each user** so may choose to impose a strict limit (for practical reasons this may be as low as 1 use per session).
- 3) **Probationary Members and Non-FAC Holders**. If clubs choose to allow these users access to club equipment / firearms, **all items must be sanitized/cleaned between users** (provision should be made / time allowed to do this).
 - a) **Club-Supplied Ammunition**. Clubs may feel it sensible to **limit purchase of club-supplied ammunition to these User Groups** only;
 - b) **Sanitised Containers**. Clubs / User Groups may **consider ammunition issue in sanitised bags/containers**, with clear instructions that all ammunition is expended during the session (i.e. no contaminated returns requiring storage for future use).

¹ In accordance with Public Health England's current guidance: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings>