

The Streetsboro Sportsman Association, Inc. Range Safety Plan

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Range Safety Plan

This Safety Plan was established on January 1, 2013 and revised as needed since then to ensure the health and safety of all individuals who use or frequent the Streetsboro Sportsman Association Shooting Range and Property, herein after referred to as "the Club", and the community at large. All members of the Streetsboro Sportsman Association, family and guest that use club property are required to read and understand completely this safety plan, and to abide by its provisions in their entirety. Members are to acknowledge in writing that they understand and will comply with the aforementioned requirements. This plan supersedes any previous Safety Plan published by the Streetsboro Sportsman Association.

Definitions

Club Officers - Elected officials in specific roles (President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary)

Club Trustees – Elected members with specific areas of responsibility as designated by the Executive Board

Club Safety Trustee – Permanently established position, consisting of an Elected Trustee responsible for overseeing the club's safety Policy, and safety-qualifying new members

Event Chairmen – Elected members responsible for overseeing matches and events in their area (rifle, pistol, shotgun)

Range Officer – The person responsible for conducting a club match or shooting event

Range Safety Officer – The person responsible safety during a club match or shooting event. This position may be combined with Range Officer if appropriate to the match or shooting event taking place.

SECTION I. GENERAL GUN HANDLING RULES

1. **ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION.** A safe direction is any direction that if a firearm is discharged, the bullet will cause no harm, injury, or death. See Attachment A - Range Diagram, which shows the range limits. for the Club's range facility, and the only authorized safe direction for all firearms.
2. **ALWAYS KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER AND OUTSIDE OF THE TRIGGER GUARD UNTIL READY TO SHOOT**, or until the command "Commence Firing" has been given.
3. **ALWAYS KEEP FIREARMS UNLOADED UNTIL ON THE FIRING LINE AND READY TO USE**, with action open.
4. **KNOW YOUR TARGET, WHAT'S IN FRONT OF IT, AND WHAT'S BEYOND.** See Attachment A - Range Diagram.
5. **BE SURE THE FIREARM IS SAFE TO OPERATE.**
6. **USE ONLY THE CORRECT AMMUNITION FOR YOUR FIREARM.**
7. **ALWAYS WEAR HEARING AND EYE PROTECTION.**
8. **ALL FIREARMS NOT ON THE FIRING LINE WILL STORED OR CARRIED ONLY AS FOLLOWS:**
 - a. Cased and unloaded with no magazines or clips inserted in the firearm **OR**
 - b. Holstered and unloaded with no magazines or clips inserted in the firearm **OR**
 - c. Uncased, bolts/actions/cylinder open **AND** an empty chamber indicator visible and inserted into the chamber of the firearm.
 - d. Break-open firearms stored in a rack must be inspected for an empty chamber and hammer down before being placed in the rack but will not require an empty chamber indicator
 - e. The only exception is for individuals with a valid Conceal Carry license. The firearm must be carried on the person and not used for live fire.
9. **ANY PERSON OBSERVING AN UNSAFE SITUATION OR ACT IS REQUIRED TO IMMEDIATELY DECLARE A "CEASE FIRE"**. When the command to "CEASE FIRE" has been given, **EVERYONE** will **IMMEDIATELY** stop shooting and place their firearm on the table or on the ground pointed down range and in a safe direction, and will then step away from their firearm and the firing line. No one is to unload, make safe, or otherwise touch the firearm when the command to "CEASE FIRE" has been given until the unsafe condition has been corrected. All persons present must agree that the condition has been corrected, and that it is safe to resume shooting. See Section III paragraph 9 if those involved cannot reach agreement.
10. **IF ANYONE WANTS TO GO PAST THE FIRING LINE ("DOWNRANGE") FOR ANY REASON, THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS MUST BE TAKEN:**
 - a. Cased and unloaded with no magazines or clips inserted in the firearm **OR**
 - b. Holstered and unloaded with no magazines or clips inserted in the firearm **OR**
 - c. Uncased, bolts/actions/cylinder open **AND** an empty chamber indicator visible and inserted into the chamber of the firearm.

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- e. The only exception is for individuals with a valid Conceal Carry license. The firearm must be carried on the person and not used for live fire.
- f. Firearms will not be handled or touched for any reason whatsoever while anyone is past the firing line.
- g. Turn on the **FLASHING RED LIGHTS**. All persons not going down range must step behind the yellow line.

SECTION II. GENERAL RANGE RULES

1. Know and obey all Range Commands.
2. Know where others are at all times. **EVERYONE** who is on the Range or Club Property for any reason whatsoever except for scheduled events **MUST SIGN IN** on the sign-in sheet when arriving and **MUST SIGN OUT** when leaving.
 - a. Any member using the club for non-shooting purposes must also sign in and describe your activity and location on the sign-in sheet, and must hang the "Range Closed" sign located adjacent to the clubhouse door, and activate the red lights.
 - b. Prior to the start of any shooting on the range, shooters **MUST** check the sign-in sheet before shooting to determine if other people may be on the range property.
 - c. No shooting of any kind is allowed when the red **RANGE CLOSED** sign is hung at the entrance to the shooting area and/or when the **FLASHING RED LIGHTS** are on.
 - d. Although shooting activities take precedence over other uses of the property, shooters must insure all persons using property are not within the range limits before shooting activities commence.
3. Shoot only at authorized targets.
4. **TARGETS AT GROUND LEVEL ARE NOT AUTHORIZED.** Maintain proper target height on the target frames and/or the earthen backstop to insure that the fired projectile, after passing through the target, hits the backstop in such a manner to eliminate or minimize the possibility of ricochets or the projectile escaping the property.
5. **ALWAYS KEEP THE GUN POINTED IN A SAFE DIRECTION.** Attachment A - Range Diagram, shows the range limits for the Club's range facility, and the only authorized safe direction for all firearms.
6. **DO NOT USE ALCOHOL OR DRUGS BEFORE OR DURING SHOOTING.** The definition of drugs includes both illegal drugs, and any legal prescription or over the counter drug that would impair the shooter's ability to handle or shoot any firearm safely.
7. Disorderly conduct and horseplay are NOT allowed.

SECTION III. RANGE RULES SPECIFIC TO THE STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION RANGE.

1. No projectile fired from any firearm can leave the club property, and must impact a backstop, or fall to the ground on the club property. Shot size on the trap range is limited to sizes 7-1/2 through size 9.
2. Illegal firearms of any type are not permitted on the club's property or range. Fully automatic firearms including rifles, pistols and shotguns, Gatling gun, binary triggers, bump stocks, or other devices that replicate automatic fire are not permitted to be fired on the club's property or range. Bottles, and explosive targets or explosive devices are prohibited on the club's property or range.
3. All shooters are required to pick up brass, target debris and any other trash generated during a shooting session. All targets must be removed from the range after use. **ALL LIVE ROUNDS MUST BE ACCOUNTED FOR AND REMOVED FROM THE PROPERTY. DO NOT dispose of live rounds in any receptacle or leave on the club's range or property.** Use the proper receptacle for the type of trash, debris, or brass you are disposing of.
4. The following targets and/or target material are not permitted on the Range: glass, ceramic, rock, brick, block, and metal (including cans). Targets at ground level are not permitted. Metal targets installed at the range ("gongs") are permitted to be shot at. Commercial metal targets such as spinners, and similar are allowed as long as they are above ground level and are used with the firearm and ammunition intended for that target. All targets must be placed in front of a designated berm.
5. The use of armor piercing/penetrating or steel core ammunition when shooting at the club's metal targets (gongs) is prohibited.
6. Range limits for all of the club's ranges and the pistol bay, are shown on Attachment A - Range Diagram. Shooting outside of the limits is dangerous and not permitted.
7. **Only shooters approved by a Club Officer, Club Safety Trustee, rifle chairperson, or 200 yard specific match or event range officer may use the 200 yard range.** Shooters must demonstrate the ability to maintain a target accuracy of three rounds fired into a square target twenty-four inches on a side at 200 yards with their firearm. All shooters using the 200 yard range must first zero their firearm on the 100 yard range

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prior to shooting on the 200 yard range. Bench rest and prone positions are the only authorized positions for the 200 yard range. Once you have met the above requirements you will be added to a roster by the Secretary with date of approval.

8. When more than one shooter is present on the range, all shooters must be in-line on the firing line. When shooting activities of different shooters or groups prevent in-line firing, each person or group will not shoot their activity for more than 45 minutes to allow other shooters the opportunity to shoot their activity. All shooters should allow for courteous cease fires to allow down range target inspection, emplacement and clean-up of brass and target debris.
9. Priority of use of the range/property. Scheduled activities have first priority of range use, followed by individual shooting, then fishing, hiking or any other activities. **ALL** persons on the property and/or range **MUST** comply with the sign in and sign out requirements. Anyone on the property that is not on the shooting range must hang the **RANGE CLOSED** sign and activate the **FLASHING RED LIGHTS** before using the property or performing maintenance such as grass cutting, as well as complying with the sign-in and sign-out requirements.
10. While on the range or property **EVERY** member of the club is responsible for ensuring that the range safety plan is followed by everyone present on the range or property. If violations occur it is the responsibility of every member present to inform the person violating the safety rules or committing an unsafe act. If the person violating the safety rules or committing an unsafe act refuses to comply with corrective actions, do not confront the person but make a written report of the action to include the individual's name and submit it to the club president for possible disciplinary action. E-mails, text messages and hard copies to the club president are acceptable means of notifying the club president.
11. Club members shooting in the Pistol Bay are limited to shooting BB pistols or pistol firearms using pistol calibers only. Pistols chambered in common rifle cartridges are forbidden. Shooters shooting in the pistol bay must strictly observe permitted firing point location and left and right limits as shown on Attachment A Range Safety Diagram and physical markers on the range. **Members are expected to make prudent choice of calibers. Failure to do so can result in property and equipment damage leading to expulsion.**

SECTION IV. ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

1. A copy of this Range Safety Plan is posted at the range.
2. All club members will be given a copy of this range safety plan annually, and are required to present a signed and dated copy of the range safety plan to the Secretary annually
3. The following persons are the only persons authorized to use the range or property: Club Members, family members, and guests of Club Members. Family members and guests must be in attendance with a Club Member. Club Members are responsible for ensuring their family member and/or guests know and understand range safety plan (THE RANGE SAFETY PLAN MUST BE COMPLETELY FILLED OUT). Club members are responsible for all actions of their family members and guests while on the Club property and/or range. Family members and guests are limited by the qualifications of their host. No family members or guests are allowed to shoot at the 200-yard range unless approved by an Event Chairman or Range Officer to participate in a specific event.
4. Everyone on the club property **MUST** sign-in when on the range or property for any reason, and **MUST** sign-out when leaving the range or property.
5. All members must have their assigned membership card in their possession when on the club range or property. When asked by another club member you must show them your membership card.
6. Hunting is not permitted on the property
7. Matches and other club sanctioned shooting events shall be governed by safety rules established by the Range Officer for that match or event and may supersede particular items in this safety plan upon approval by the chairman for that match or event.
8. Last club member leaving the property is responsible for securing the clubhouse and gate upon exit.

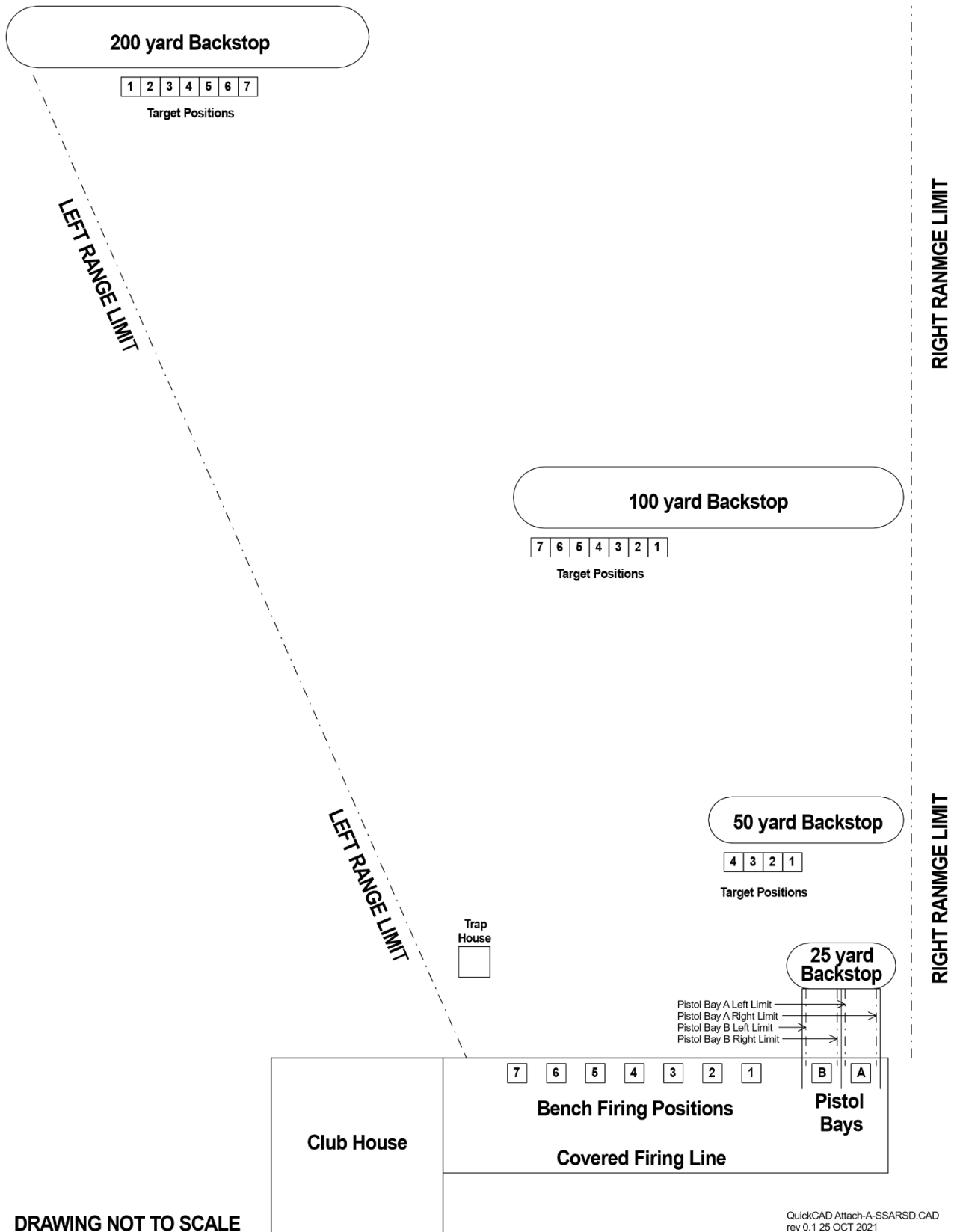
SECTION V. NEW MEMBER QUALIFICATION

1. All new and/or probationary club members must accomplish the following before receiving their membership card and gate code and being permitted to use the club's range and facilities:
 - a. The Club Safety Trustee or their designee will conduct a range safety briefing covering all aspects of the Range Safety Plan. The new/probationary member will sign and date the plan, and the Club Safety Trustee or their designee will submit it to the Club Secretary.
 - b. The new/probationary club member will complete the hands-on safety qualification course outlined in Attachment B. Certification can be conducted by either the Club Safety Trustee, or by the Range Officer of a match or event that the new/probationary member has attended. New/probationary members must complete a hands-on safety qualification for each discipline, i.e. rifle, pistol, or shotgun, the member wishes to use the range for. The Club Safety Trustee or the Range Officer approving the hands-on safety qualification course, will submit certification to the Club Secretary.

Take pride in your club. Keep It Clean. Be a responsible member and above all, THINK SAFETY AND BE SAFE!

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ATTACHMENT A to Streetsboro Sportsman Association, Inc. Range Safety Plan



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ATTACHMENT A (cont.) to Streetsboro Sportsman Association, Inc. Range Safety Plan

Authorized Target Numbers for each Bench Position

	50 YARD BANK	100 YARD BANK	200 YARD BANK
BENCH 1	TARGET 1	TARGET 1	TARGET 1
BENCH 2	TARGET 2	TARGET 2	TARGET 2
BENCH 3	TARGET 3	TARGET 3	TARGET 3
BENCH 4	TARGET 4	TARGET 4	TARGET 4
BENCH 5	NOT AUTHORIZED	TARGET 5	TARGET 5
BENCH 6	NOT AUTHORIZED	TARGET 6	TARGET 6
BENCH 7	NOT AUTHORIZED	TARGET 7	TARGET 7

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ATTACHMENT B to Streetsboro Sportsman Association, Inc. Range Safety Plan

NEW MEMBER SAFETY QUALIFICATION – HANDS ON EVALUATION

Purpose: To ensure potential members can demonstrate expected safe firearm handling practices outlined in our range safety plan and that they can demonstrate the proficiency in shooting which ensures projectiles stay on property within the shooting lane limits without the destruction of club property.

Desired Outcome: We have a safe place to participate in the shooting sports because all members are competent in the expectations laid out in our range safety plan and are capable of ensuring the same in their family and guests they bring to the range.

Qualification Process

- This is not a marksmanship qualification with a numbered score.
- This is a go/no go determination of basic proficiency and respect for the responsibility of sending a projectile downrange.
- Complete the qualifications, demonstrating that the projectiles stay within the shooting lane assigned and land in the berm.
- While shooting, adherence to all safety plan expectations must be demonstrated. Failure to do so will result in coaching by the adjudicator for the first 2 repeated violations. A third violation will result in failure of the qualification for that session.
- Participant selects which qualification(s) they wish to pursue.
- Successfully completed qualifications will be documented on the participant's membership card and tracked by the secretary.
- At a future date a participant can pursue additional qualifications.
- Failure of a qualification will also result in a participant being offered to engage in club events to improve their skills.
- Prospective club members will not be provided the gate code until at least one qualification has been completed.

SECTION I – SAFE FIREARM HANDLING

1) Preparing to shoot

- a) Checks sign-in sheet for other people on the property
- b) Signs-in
- c) Ensures all members signed in are accounted for and are behind the firing line
- d) Ensures Range Closed sign is not hung and/or Range Red Lights are not on
- e) Firearms brought to the range must be Cased or uncased and unloaded with actions opened and Empty Chamber Indicator inserted.

2) Make Firearm safe at firing line

- a) Member brings cased/uncased firearm to firing line
- b) Member uncases firearm if cased, with firearm pointed in a safe direction. Member places firearm on shooting table or on ground as appropriate, with firearm pointed in a safe direction. Member ensures firearm is unloaded, action open, and Empty Chamber Indicator fully inserted and visible, all while keeping firearm pointed on safe direction.

3) Load and make ready (REQUIRED FOR EACH TYPE OF FIREARM QUALIFICATION DESIRED)

- a) Member simulates loading firearm while keeping firearm in safe direction (as an option but not a requirement dummy rounds may be used)
- b) Member always keeps finger off the trigger and outside of trigger guard while loading and making ready
- c) Member takes up shooting position while keeping firearm in safe direction

4) Unload and make safe (REQUIRED FOR EACH TYPE OF FIREARM QUALIFICATION DESIRED)

- a) Member takes finger off trigger and keeps firearm in safe direction
- b) Member simulates unloading the firearm while keeping firearm in safe direction
- c) Member opens action and fully inserts visible Empty Chamber Indicator into firearm while keeping firearm in safe direction
- d) Where the design of the firearm accommodates it, the safety should be engaged

5) Actions taken on "Cease Fire" (immediate action)

- a) Member simulates immediately stops shooting
- b) Member immediately removes finger from trigger and places finger outside of trigger guard
- c) Member immediately places firearm on shooting table or on the ground as appropriate, all while keeping firearm pointed in safe direction
- d) Step behind the yellow line

SECTION II – LIVE FIRE DEMONSTRATION

- 1) Member fires three rounds at targets specified below keeping all three rounds on the target
 - a) Rifle (or slug gun): square target measuring 24" on a side at 50-yard berm
 - b) Pistol: 8.5" X 11" sheet of paper at 18 feet
 - c) Shotgun: Only completed at club-sanctioned shotgun event or scheduled with the Shotgun Chairman.

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I acknowledge that, by signing below, I have read and completely understand the above Safety Plan with all Attachments, for the Streetsboro Sportsman Association, Inc., and that I agree to abide fully with all of the rules, conditions, and terms of the safety plan. I further acknowledge that I have received a written copy of the above Safety Plan and that I have received a Safety Briefing by a member of the Executive Committee of the Streetsboro Sportsman Association.

 Printed Name (Legibly)

 Signature

 Date Signed

 Signature of Club Safety Trustee or designee (for new members only)

RANGE SAFETY PLAN CHECKLIST (Place an "X" in the box to the left of each item.) ALL FAMILY MEMBERS AND GUESTS MUST UNDERSTAND AND FILL-OUT THIS RANGE SAFETY PLAN. IT IS GOOD FOR ONE YEAR (JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31) THEN MUST BE RENEWED by signing the updated copy and returning it to the Treasurer annually with dues.	
	Pg. 1: Print your name and date in the box in the upper right hand corner.
	Pg 1-3: Did you read and understand section I, II, III, IV, and V?
	Pg 7: Did you legibly print, sign and date in the space indicated in gray?
	Pg 8: Did you legibly print your name, address, city, state and zip in the space indicated in gray? (TOP OF THE PAGE)
	Pg 8: Did you legibly fill-out the information (BOTTOM OF THE PAGE) in the space indicated in gray?

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RELEASE FROM LIABILITY

NAME (printed)

ADDRESS

(Street address and PO Box, if applicable, required)

CITY

STATE

ZIP

THE ABOVE NAMED PERSON IS HEREIN REFERRED TO AS RELEASOR, TO THE STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION, ITS OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES, THEIR HEIRS, ADMINISTRATORS AND EXECUTORS, HEREIN REFERRED TO AS RELEASEES.

I, the undersigned, releasor, being of lawful age, in consideration of being permitted to participate in the club activities and use the facilities at the STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION, located on Bloom Road in Nelson Township, Ohio, do for myself, my spouse, legal representatives, heirs and assigns, hereby release, waive and forever discharge the STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION, its agencies or departments, its officers, agents, service members and employees in their official and personal capacities, their heirs, administrators and executors, from any and all liability for any and all loss or damage, and from any and every claim, demand, action or right of action, of whatever kind or nature, either in law or equity, arising from or by reason of death, or any bodily injury or personal injuries know or unknown, or property damage resulting or to result from any incident which may occur during my participation in club activities and/or use of the facilities of the STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION, or any activities in connection with said use, whether caused in whole or in part by Releasees or otherwise.

I HEREBY ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE DUE TO NEGLIGENCE OF RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE WHILE AT THE STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION RANGE, AND WHILE PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES, CLUB SPONSORED OR PERSONAL, WHILE ON THE RANGE PROPERTY. THIS INCLUDES OFFICIATING, WORKING, SPECTATING, OR FOR ANY OTHER PURPOSE PARTICIPATING IN THE STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION SHOOTING MATCHES OR OTHER SHOOTING ACTIVITIES.

I AGREE THAT THIS RELEASE CONSTITUTES THE ENTIRE AGREEMENT BETWEEN MYSELF AND THE STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION AND THE TERMS OF THIS RELEASE ARE CONTRACTUAL AND NOT A MERE RECITAL, AND THE SAME SHALL CONTINUE IN FORCE AND BE APPLICABLE TO ALL ACTIVITIES I PARTICIPATE IN AT THE STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION RANGE UNLESS REVOKED BY ME IN A WRITING SERVED UPON THE STREETSBORO SPORTSMAN ASSOCIATION BY CERTIFIED MAIL AT LEAST TEN (10) DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE UPON WHICH SUCH REVOCATION SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE.

I agree that this Release Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law, and that if any portion is held to be invalid, the balance hereof will, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS RELEASE AND UNDERSTAND ALL OF ITS TERMS. I EXECUTE THE SAME VOLUNTARILY AND WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF ITS SIGNIFICANCE. I UNDERSTAND THAT THIS RELEASE MUST BE COMPLETED EACH YEAR.

In witness Whereof, I have executed this Release on this _____ day of _____, _____

YOUR SIGNATURE (RELEASOR)

PRINTED LEGIBLY and SIGNATURE OF A WITNESS (MUST BE A CLUB MEMBER)

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN OF ANY RELEASOR UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

DATE OF BIRTH

AGE