



ORIENTATION

LISBON FISH & GAME ASSOC.



THE LISBON FISH & GAME ASSOCIATION FOUNDED IN 1946

- The club is located on approx. 10.8 acres with 10 acres in Lisbon & 0.8 acres in Bowdoin.
- The Club facilities include:
 - Four season Club House
 - 25, 50, & 100 yard Rifle Range
 - 5 Station Trap Range
 - 25 yard Pistol Range
 - 40 yard Archery Range



MONTHLY MEETINGS

- Eleven regular Club Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm (there is no December meeting)
- Meetings are held at the Club House on 180 Store Rd in Lisbon
- New members are voted in at the monthly meetings
- A Calendar of events is maintained on the Lisbon Fish & Game Assoc. website lisbonfga.org Events will also be announced in monthly emailed newsletters



THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Our club is managed by an Executive committee

- Club Officers, President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary are elected at the January meeting each year and serve a one year term
- Five Board Members serve three year terms. Typically one Board seat is up for election each January
- Names and contact information are available on the website lisbonfga.org

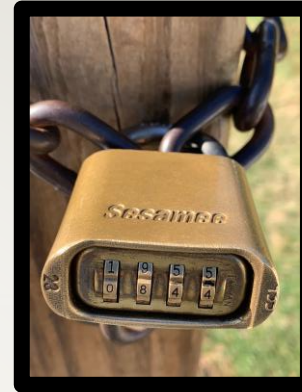


RANGE HOURS

- The Range is open Monday thru Saturday 9:00 am to sunset
- Sundays, in consideration of nearby church services, the range is open 12:00 noon to sunset
- The archery range may be used at any time from sunrise to sunset.
- A sunset chart is available on the sign in table in the clubhouse.
And available online at <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/science-research/weather-tides/sunrise.html>
- **Failure to cease fire by sunset will result in complaints from our neighbors, is a violation of the rules, and may result in suspension of your membership.**
- There may be occasions when the range will be closed for work, out of courtesy to a nearby function, or for a private function by member request. If you wish to reserve our facilities for a private function the procedure can be found on our website.
- The calendar on our website along with emailed newsletters will let members know when the range is going to be closed.
 - A temporary sign will be posted on the gate, and the lock will be changed during approved closures.



THE ACCESS CODE



- After entering the facility, lock the gate behind you
- The combination to the gate and club house doors are the same code
- The gate and clubhouse must remain locked at all times when they are not in use
- The 4 digit combination code is changed every January. Each member receives the new combination when they renew their membership
- Do not give the combination to anyone. Violation of this policy will result in suspension of your membership
- If asked for the code by someone that you do not know, direct the person to a club officer so that their membership and orientation status may be verified. Contact information is on lisbonfga.org



PARKING

- Please observe the following
 - Travel on the gravel driveways
 - Access the three ranges only by traveling between the posts located at the end of the gravel driveway
- During dry periods parking is permitted
 - On the grass on either side of the main driveway
 - By the outhouse near the rifle range path using caution to stay behind the firing line
 - At the pistol range in the area behind the benches
- During mud season vehicle access to the ranges will be restricted, do not proceed beyond the rope when the ground is soft.
 - If you make a rut, in consideration of the volunteers that mow the property, please fill it in before you leave the range



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SAFETY FLAGS

- Upon arrival, if there is an orange Safety Flag on 1 or 2 of the posts at the end of the gravel drive, the designated range/s are in use
- Two Safety Flags, if none are in use, are located on the sign in table in the club house
- If there is no one else on the range when you leave, return the Safety Flag to the sign in table. Otherwise leave the flag up for the last person to return to the club house when they leave.



SAFETY FLAGS & MAINTENANCE



- If someone is on the property to perform maintenance or mow the grass, they will be signed in but no flag will be raised.
- Before proceeding to any of the ranges make contact with the person to determine which ranges are safe to use while they are working.



PERSONAL SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- Hearing and eye protection are required on all of the firearm ranges
- Disposable hearing protection is available in the clubhouse
 - Donations appreciated
- Prescription eyeglasses are acceptable eye protection on the range
- Before any range is declared **HOT** it is your responsibility make certain that everyone is safely behind the firing line and that hearing and eye protection are in place.
- Club staplers, basic hearing muffs and safety glasses are available for use. Please return them to the sign in desk upon departure so that they remain available for others.



SAFETY



- We are proud to have had no serious incidents or injuries in club history
- We are committed to continuing this record
- It is up to every member to follow the Safety Rules that are in place to protect all of us
- **Prior to using the facilities, you and everyone in your party are Personally Responsible for reading, understanding, and following the range safety rules**
 - You can print a copy of the range rules and review this orientation on our website at lisbonfga.org.
- Except for Organized Shoots, when a trained Range Safety Officer will be present, we are all responsible for assuring our own safety, that of guests, and other members using the range
- **This Club is only as safe as its members**

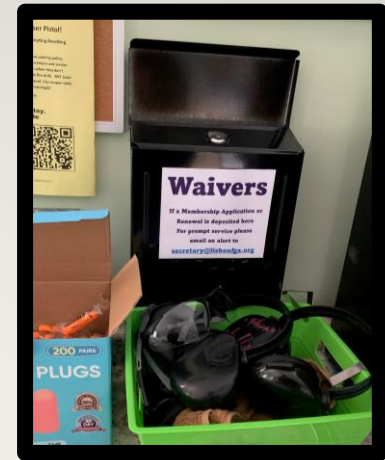


FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

- Your membership is a family membership and includes your significant other and anyone under the age of 18 who lives with you.
- Your significant other may request their own membership card and use the facilities without you present if the membership is current and they have completed orientation.
- Family members under the age of 18 are not permitted to use the facility unless accompanied by an adult member who has been issued a membership card. Children are not eligible to receive a membership card.
- Children who attain the age of 18 who wish to obtain their own membership may do so at the current membership renewal rate and will need to complete an orientation.
- In the event of a separation a significant other who completed orientation and was issued a membership card, may also obtain their own membership at the renewal rate.
- Members are encouraged to use the facility with their families. All children must be accompanied by the adult member **at all times**.



GUEST POLICY



- Members are encouraged to bring a guest to the facility
- A guest is permitted to use the facility once with a sponsoring member. After that, if they wish to continue utilizing our facilities, they are expected to become a member.
- The sponsoring member shall escort the guest at all times while at the facility.
- For insurance reasons, guests must sign in and out and are required to completely fill out a Guest Waiver as neatly as possible. The sponsoring member must also sign the waiver form.
- Waivers are available in the clubhouse or may be printed in advance from the lisbonfga.org site
- The waiver is to be dated the day that the guest uses the facility and be placed in the lockbox located in the clubhouse.



CONCEALED CARRY

- Members are permitted to carry concealed on club property
- On the shooting range the following are acceptable:
 - the carry pistol remains in the holster in the carry position
 - if the pistol is removed from the carry position and is not in use, it is to be made clear, safe and placed on the bench pointed down range with the action open
 - The intent of this rule is to provide members with a safe place to practice drawing from a holster or from concealment.



IMPORTANT TO NOTE...



- There is a coed outhouse adjacent to the Rifle Range path
- There is **no hunting** permitted at any time at any location on club property
- Be aware that beyond the 100 yard berm is a residential home. You are responsible for where your bullet stops. Be certain that all of your shots land in the berms.
- **ZERO TOLERANCE** - The Lisbon Fish & Game Association has a zero tolerance policy towards anyone found to be under the influence of alcohol or any recreational drugs on club property even when not actively using one of the ranges. Violation subject to immediate loss of Membership.



YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

- You are responsible for understanding the proper and safe operation of your firearm
- Getting proper safety training from a knowledgeable instructor is recommended
- It is recommended to read the owners manual for the firearm. Most U.S. manufacturers have them available on-line or will furnish them free of charge if you do not have one.
- You are responsible to know how to put your firearm in a “safe condition” promptly.
- Do not handle firearms for any reason (even to case them and leave the range) while anyone is down range / forward of the firing line.
- Every Member is considered a Range Safety Officer. You are personally responsible to ensure the safety of yourself and others and that every round fired stops safely in a berm
- Know where the range markers are and what is considered down range



RULES OF FIREARMS SAFETY

- There is no such thing as an “unloaded gun”
- Always treat every firearm as if it is loaded
- Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction
- Always keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to fire
- Always keep your gun unloaded until ready to shoot.



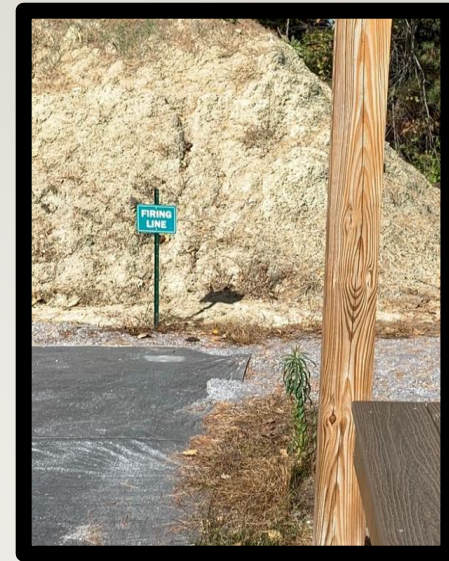
SAFE CONDITION MEANS...

- The firearm is unloaded.
The action is open and the magazine is removed (if detachable)
- Slide, Bolt or Lever is locked open
- Revolver Cylinder is open and empty
- For any firearm that has a bolt that cannot be locked open, place a spent cartridge or chamber flag sticking up and out of the chamber so that it is easily visible.
- Set all firearms on the bench with the muzzle pointed down range.
- When anyone is forward of the firing line, step back from the bench and keep hands off from all firearms.



FIRING LINE

- At the Pistol Range, shooters may choose to step out in line with the firing line marker, or they may choose to shoot from behind the benches. Either firing line is acceptable, but both cannot be active at the same time.
- At the Rifle Range the Firing Line is at the benches, however there may be times, such as shotgun patterning, when the firing line will be down range from the benches.
- Fire only from a point that lines up with your target and directs rounds into the impact berm
- Before anyone moves forward of the firing line they need to signal to other shooters confirming that the range is **CLEAR**.
 - All firearms must be made clear and safe
 - There is to be no handling of firearms for any reason while members are forward of the firing line



RANGE CONTROL AND CALLS

- Use of the ranges requires courtesy and patience from everyone
- The Range Status can only be in one of two conditions
CLEAR or **HOT**
- Be sure that you have the attention of all shooters before asking to change Range Status
- **Everyone must be on the same page.**



TARGETS

- ONLY Paper, Cardboard, or GlowShot type Targets mounted to provided plastic board on wooden uprights
- Shooting at Cans, Glass, Plastic Bottles, Clays etc. set on wooden bases or anything else is NOT permitted
- Steel targets are NOT permitted except those provided by the Club at sanctioned Steel Challenge shoots
- Movable Targets are NOT permitted on the Rifle Range
- Do not intentionally shoot the upright posts or bases. Move target stands located behind those you are actively using to avoid damaging them
- Members should replace plastic board and wooden uprights as needed and dispose of paper targets in trash can provided when finished shooting.



SHOTGUN PATTERNING

- The orange metal frames, which accept cardboard from the outhouse or white plastic board and your targets are for shotgun patterning
- They are located on the 25 and 50 yard berms at the rifle range
- DO NOT fire shotguns at targets mounted on the wooden frames.

**It is considered willful destruction
of club property**



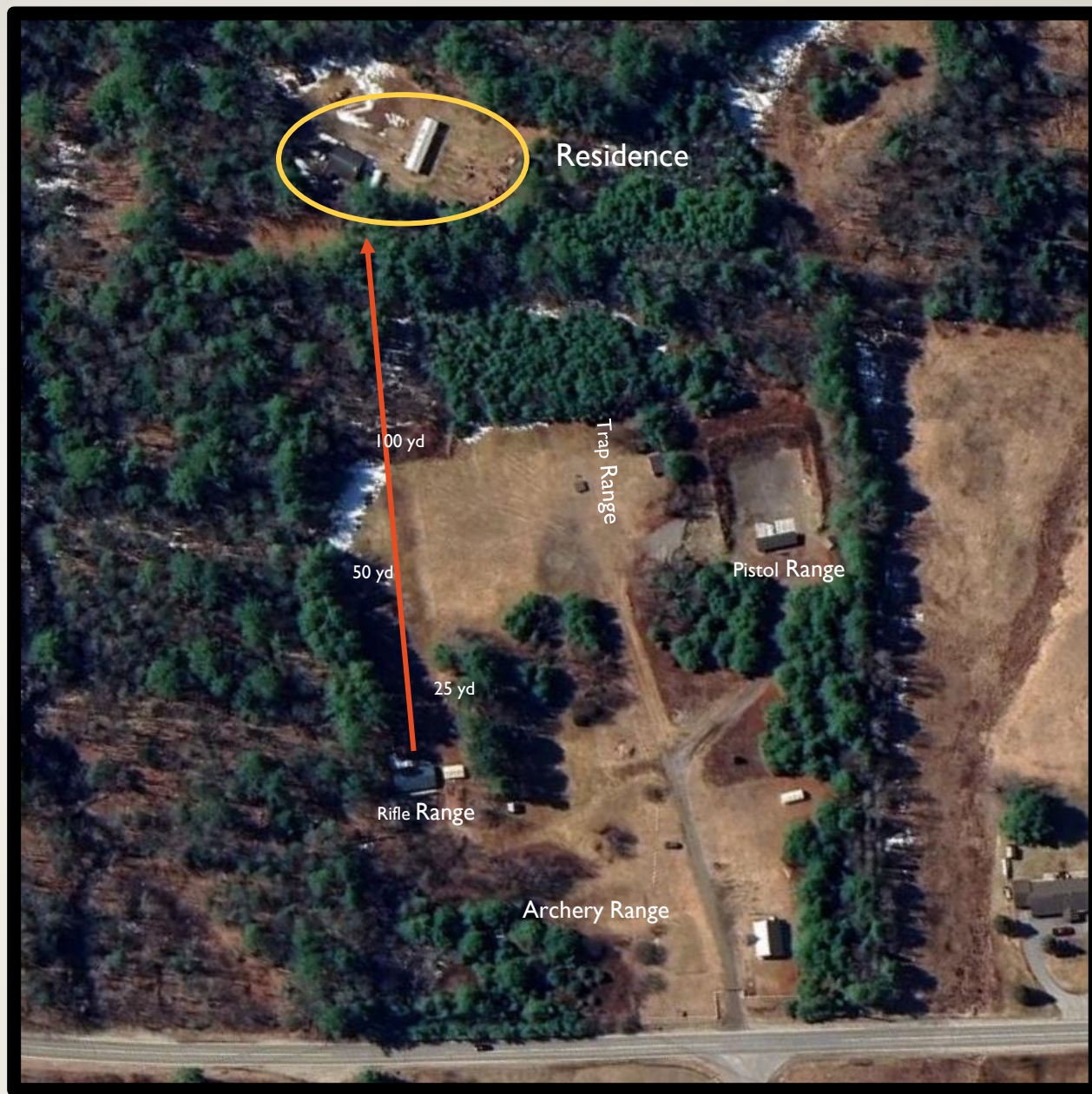
WHICH RANGES CAN BE USED AT THE SAME TIME ?

- All three ranges are available on a first come first serve basis except during an organized shoots which will be published on the club calendar.
- The Rifle Range and Pistol Range **may** be in use at the same time
- The Trap Range and Pistol Range **may** be in use at the same time
- The Rifle and Trap Range **may not** be in use at the same time
- The Archery Range **may** be in use at the same time as any of the other three ranges
- Members are strongly encouraged to check in with each other when more than one range is in use.



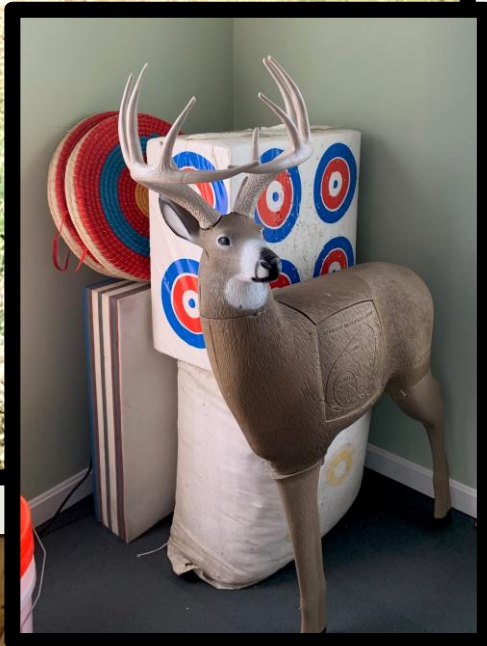
BE AWARE

- There is a residence beyond the Rifle Range Berms
- The club raised and extended the 50 & 25 yard berms in 2025 to further reduce any risk
- Members need to do their part assuring that all shots impact the berms
- **NO EXCEPTIONS !**



ARCHERY RANGE

- The 40 yard Archery Range is located across from the club house
- It may be used while any of the other ranges are in use
- The archery range may be in use between sunrise and sunset
- Crossbows are permitted
- Only Field Points are permitted
- Keep shots low and in front of the backer provided so they do not go into the woods
- There are targets and a 3D deer located in the clubhouse available for use. Please return them to clubhouse after use



RIFLE RANGE

- The Roof over the benches was built in 2010.
- Sound Barrier Fencing was added in 2017
- The 25 yard berm was moved and canopy added 2023
- 25, 50, and 100 yard berms rebuilt/repaired 2025
- Personal Safety Equipment is required
- Range Safety Rules and Commands apply
- Wait until all shooters have finished their shots before asking for a ceasefire to go down range
- If shooters are waiting to go down range be prompt in finishing your shots and getting into a safe condition
- Get your business done down range promptly so that you do not hold up other shooters
- Use binoculars or a spotting scope whenever possible to check targets



PERMISSIBLE FIREARMS ON THE RIFLE RANGE & FULL AUTOMATIC FIRE

- Shotguns with birdshot or buckshot are permitted only on the rifle range. If you wish to pattern or shoot a shotgun you are welcome to use the orange metal patterning target frames located on the 25 & 50 yard berms
- 50 caliber BMG Rifles are not permitted
- 50 caliber Black Powder Muzzle Loaders are permitted
- Full Automatic Fire is not permitted
 - occasional 3 to 5 round bursts, keeping shots on targets, lowers the risk of shots going over the berms and shows consideration for our neighbors
 - You are responsible for insuring that all of your shots impact the berms



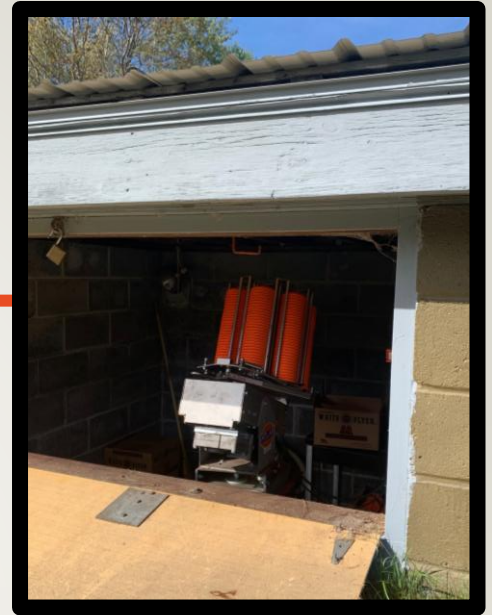
TRAP RANGE

- The Warming Shed was replaced in 2025
- The Trap and Rifle Ranges may not be in use at the same time.
- Personal Safety Equipment is required
- The trap machine inside the trap house is for sanctioned club shoots only that occur twice a month on Sundays.
- There is a manual thrower available in the green box to the right of the trap house or you may bring your own portable trap machine. In either case, shots are to be directed in the normal direction from either side of the trap house
- Once fired unbroken clays are available at no cost for use on the manual or your thrower. They are stored in a tote next to the manual thrower
- Please pick up and dispose of your shotgun shells in the trash can by the warming shed return unbroken clays to the tote and crush fragments on the field



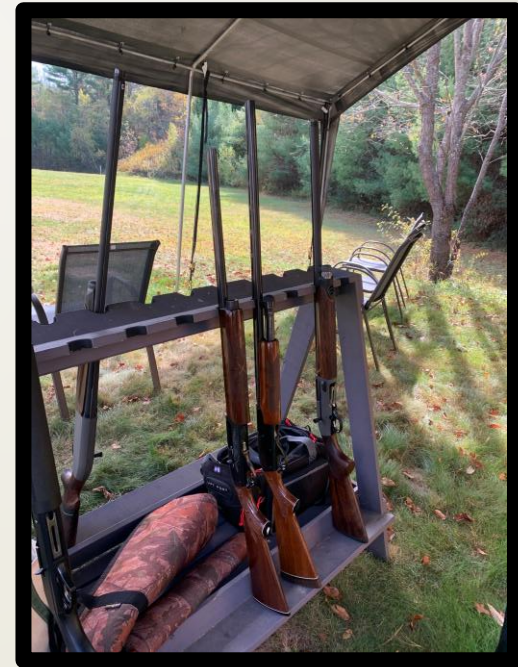
TRAP SHOOT RULES

- Trap Shoots are open to members, their guests and the public.
Held on Sundays twice a month spring thru fall 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm
Dates are published on the club calendar lisbonfga.org
- The Trap range has priority over the Rifle Range during scheduled shoots
The Rifle and Trap Ranges may not be in use at the same time
- Personal Safety Equipment is required
- Clays are included in the fee charged for each round. Typically, two rounds are shot
- Shooters supply their own ammo. 25 shells per round
- You may only fire from one of the five shooting positions when using the club trap machine.
- Load your shotgun only when it is your turn to fire. Load one shot at a time, No doubles.
- After shooting, verify that shotgun is unloaded, safety is on, and keep the action open.
- Always keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction.



ACCEPTABLE AMMUNITION FOR TRAP SHOOTS

- Ammunition shall be 12 gauge or less (no 10 gauge)
- Not more than 1 1/8 ounces of shot or 2 3/4 drams of powder
- Short Brass (low base) only
- No Hunting Loads
- 7 1/2, 8, or 9 shot



PISTOL RANGE

- The 18 yd Pistol Range was built in 2017.
- Permanent cover was built in 2022
- Berms were extended to 25 yds in 2023
- Range Safety Rules and Commands apply
- Personal Safety Equipment is required
- Traditional handguns and 22LR rifles only. No Shotguns
- Paper Targets only on the movable wooden stands provided
 - Steel targets are provided for Club sanctioned Steel Shoots when Range Safety Officers are present
- Do not intentionally shoot the wooden uprights or target bases
- Move any target stands located behind the target you are actively using to avoid damaging them. Repair materials are located under the benches
- All firing will be done from the firing line OR the benches. Never both at the same time
- All shots must be directed into the berm



PERMISSIBLE FIREARMS ON THE PISTOL RANGE

- Traditional Handguns
- Black Powder handguns, all calibers, are allowed
- Handguns larger than 50AE are not allowed
- Pistol caliber carbines are not allowed
- Rifles other than 22LR are not allowed
- Rifle caliber handguns are not allowed
- Shotguns are not allowed



STEEL CHALLENGE

- Steel Challenge is open to members, their guests, and the public.
- Held on two Saturdays each month spring thru fall. Dates are published on the club calendar lisbonfga.org
- Steel Challenge is held from 9:00 am until approx. Noon
- Personal Safety Equipment is required. Range Safety Officers are present
- One of eight five plate courses is shot in 4 stages of 5 strings each
- Shooters supply their own ammo. 100 to 130 rounds is typically required
- 3 – 5 magazines required to complete a stage depending on magazine capacity
- A fee covering 4 stages is charged.



SPENT CASINGS

- When you have completed firing you are required to pick up your shell casings
- Tarps are provided on the pistol range to aid collecting casings ejected forward of the benches
- Casings around the benches at both ranges build up fast. Please do your part by picking up after yourself and others
- Shell Casings left on grassed areas can damage mower tires
- Shooters who reload may retain their own shell casings
- Casings deposited in the brass buckets provided become property of the club. Brass recycling money buys the plastic target backers and helps to keep dues low



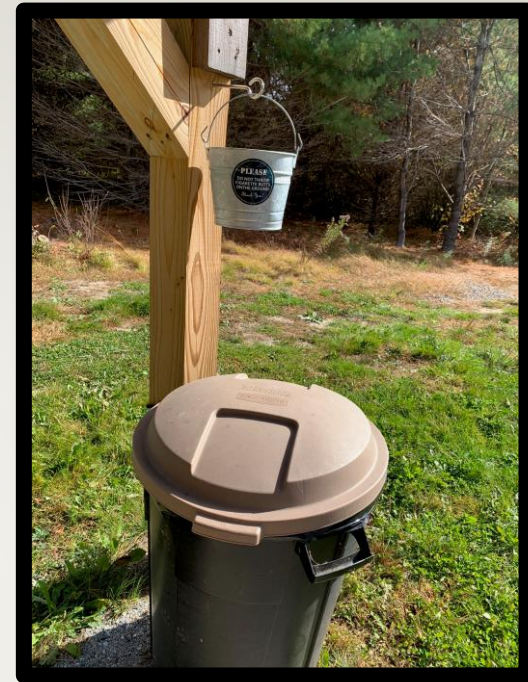
MISFIRES

- If you have a misfire, follow good safety protocol with the weapon pointed down range
 - Wait 30 seconds
 - Put the safety on (if equipped)
 - Drop the magazine (if detachable)
 - Eject or remove the bad round from the chamber
 - Examine the primer. If the firing pin indent is light, off center or nonexistent it is recommended that you have your firearm evaluated
- Place the bad round in one of the orange “misfire” buckets. Do not put it in the trash
- Do not leave unfired rounds on the ground. (The lawn mower likes them even less than shell casings).



TRASH

- Trash cans are provided on each range for range trash only
 - empty ammo boxes, used paper targets
 - no food items please
- Pile any broken wooden uprights and spent plastic board near trash cans for removal
- Please do not hesitate to pick up trash that you may find
- Emptying of the trash cans, like all range maintenance, is done by volunteers periodically.
- If you find that a can is full, please empty it. You may leave the bag outside the clubhouse if you are unable to dispose of it yourself. Empty bags are in the bottom of each can
- Cigarette Butts are to be placed in containers provided



INCIDENT REPORTING

- If there is a serious incident or injury that warrants it , dial 911.
 - The club address is **180 Store Road, Lisbon Falls**
- There is a basic first aid kit in the club house.
- If you witness an unsafe act or violation of range rules please try to address it in a nonconfrontational way. Most people are reasonable and will be glad to correct the problem immediately.
- If the person is not cooperative and you cannot correct the issue it must be reported using an incident form that can be obtained in the clubhouse.



INCIDENT REPORTING

- You are required to fill out an incident form as completely as possible
 - Your name and names of all involved including any witnesses
 - Names can be obtained on the sign in sheet or via a vehicle license plate number if necessary
 - A description of the incident
 - Call a club officer to inform them of the incident and the report
- If there is an altercation be polite and do not escalate the situation if possible.
 - If necessary, sign out and leave.
 - If you need to call the LPD (which should be the last resort) the number is 353-2500 and is on your member card.
- All incidents are reviewed by the executive committee to ensure that the situation is resolved properly and to prevent it from happening again in the future.



VOLUNTEER WORK DAYS

- Periodically the club schedules volunteer workdays.
- We ask for members to donate their time for the good of the club
- It requires a team effort to assure that the facilities remain in good condition.
- There is always a list of large and small projects needed to maintain the facilities or to make planned improvements.
- These dates will be published on the calendar on the club website and information will be included in newsletters and discussed at monthly meetings.



IN SUMMARY...

- Treat the range as if you own it because as a member you do
- We do not have a grounds keeper. We rely on volunteers and everyone doing their part
- Do not litter and do not be too proud to pick up another person's litter, targets or shell casings
- There is no seniority where safety is concerned. Question anyone doing something wrong or unsafe.
- Do your part to leave range areas and targets in better condition than you found them
- Be polite. courtesy is the best policy. Be mature enough to listen if questioned. If you are wrong, admit it, apologize and correct the problem. If you are in the right don't escalate to an argument.
- Be disciplined enough to do the right thing. Keep in mind that every action with a firearm that is unsafe, unlawful, un-sporting, or unethical jeopardizes this club and our rights to keep and bear arms.
- An active member is an asset, and a club is only as good as it's members. **WELCOME.**

