

St. Charles Sportsmen's Club

Skeet Range

Standard Operating Procedures

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The **St. Charles Sportsmen's Club** has an outstanding safety record. It is the goal of the Board of Directors and the membership to continue that record. These rules are set forth for your safety and for the safety of those around you. Violation of these rules will lead to disciplinary action.

Safety Rules

1. Always keep the shotgun pointed down range toward the east between the high / low house and keep the action open.

Break open guns must have the action open with the muzzle pointed towards the ground.

Pump action and semi-auto action shotguns must have the action open when shooters are waiting for their turn at each station.

Be aware of gun muzzle direction. Never point a gun at another person or "sweep" your squad if you turn to talk to the puller.

2. Keep your finger off the trigger until ready to shoot. Do not put your finger on the trigger until you call for the target.

3. Always keep the shotgun unloaded and action open until ready to shoot. When changing stations chambers must be empty.

4. All SHOOTERS MUST WEAR EYE AND EAR PROTECTION.

Additional Safety Rules

1. All guns must be unloaded and the actions open when moving to and from the shooting stations on the skeet field.

2. Break action shotguns may be closed when in a gun rack.

Pump action and semi-auto actions must have the action open when in a gun rack.

3. Anyone may call a ceasefire if they see a problem. The term "ceasefire" means immediately stop shooting, open action and wait for further instructions.

4. Spectators must not interfere with or distract the shooters and pullers. Conversations among spectators must be held far enough away from shooters to avoid interference with their concentration and so the pullers may hear the shooter's signal accurately. It is recommended spectators wear eye and ear protection.
5. Shooting at the ground is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**.
6. A maximum of 2 shells may be loaded in the shotgun. At station eight (8) only one (1) shell may be loaded for the shot from the high house and one shot from the low house.
7. **ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR DRUGS OF ANY KIND ARE ALLOWED ON THE RANGE.**
8. **NO ONE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOL OR DRUGS IS ALLOWED ON THE RANGE.**
9. **ALL SHOOTERS MUST FOLLOW DIRECTIONS GIVEN BY THE RANGE SAFETY OFFICER (RSO). NO ONE MAY QUESTION THE AUTHORITY OF THE RANGE SAFETY OFFICER (RSO). THE AUTHORITY OF THE RSO IS ABSOLUTE. PROTESTS MAY BE MADE TO THE ST. CHARLES SPORTSMEN'S CLUB SKEET CHAIRMAN OR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
10. Please report any violations to the SCSC Skeet Chairman, a Board member or Range Safety Officer (RSO).
Anyone found in violation of rule seven (7), eight (8), or nine (9) will be asked to leave the range. If the request to leave the range is not obeyed, contact the Club Manager or a Board Member to resolve the problem. If necessary, law enforcement may be called for assistance and membership in the St. Charles Sportsmen's Club may be suspended.
11. All members should monitor other shooters and politely correct any unsafe behavior.

General Range rules

1. The use of the range is for Full members, their immediate family or guests.
2. The Skeet range is open 7 days a week from 9:00 am to 10 p.m.
3. The range will be closed on the "Club Quiet Days," which are typically Easter Sunday and Christmas Day. Check the Club calendar for updates.

4. You must receive training on the use of the Skeet Range equipment before you will be allowed to have a key for the houses.
5. Make sure the Skeet house doors are open before releasing the arm of the skeet machine.
6. **Do not attempt to make any repairs or adjustments to the machines!**
7. Shot size is limited to **NUMBER 9 ONLY**.
No magnum loads are allowed.
8. Members must display their SCSC Member I.D. card at all times within the Club Property to be allowed to shoot.
9. Members are fully responsible for the conduct of their guests. Each guest must complete the required form located in the guest book in the Skeet house.
10. Members should refill Skeet machines and ensure Skeet houses are locked when finished shooting.
11. Disarm Skeet machine when finished shooting.
12. **This is a SCSC Member-supported range.**
Please keep your Club clean.

When you are finished shooting you must:

*Throw away any trash or ammo boxes.

*Pick up empty shells and dispose of them.

*Be proactive and clean any debris from the Skeet stations and discard in the waste cans.

•Please help keep the Skeet house clean for the enjoyment of other members.