

PICKERING RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB COVID-19 RANGE ORDERS

Although not a workplace, Pickering Rifle Club would seek to apply best practice and will follow guidelines published by HM government to ensure the Health and Safety of all members. Responsibility lies as much with the individual as the Club to ensure guidelines and best practice are followed.

The committee are as keen as members to return to shooting but all will have to accept that we can only do this safely in a limited way. Shooting at Pickering can only safely re-open if Committee and HM Government guidelines are followed regarding the covid-19 threat.

Limited numbers of shooters can only be safely allowed due to the constraints of social distancing & this will be achieved by limiting the numbers of allocated shooters per a.m. or p.m. session. To book a session please refer to the secretary's email of 24th May "COVID-19 Range Opening & Booking Guidelines".

You will be asked to leave if you have not booked and just turn up on the day.

Shooters will be divided into 'squadded' groups of up to five, maintaining a social distance at all times. The number of firing points per range will be limited to four or five depending on the firing point in use.

Signing-in will be done by the RCO based on your booking information. You will be required to bring a shooting mat to place on the firing point.

Rifle inspection after shooting will be done by the shooter standing back from the firing point and the RCO will inspect the rifle, which can then be removed from the firing point.

Wipe sanitizers & hand gel will be provided at salient places around the range. Markers and sentries please observe instructions regarding the placing and sanitising of equipment after use.

Markers will be provided with disposable gloves.. Marker of target one to operate radio and danger flag. Discard gloves in bin provided.

At change over leave radios in situ after wiping down. Remember when using radios, they do not need to be held close to the face to operate.

Hi-Viz jackets will not be used at this time.

RCO duties, general supervision, set-up & take-down of range equipment will be carried out by club officers.

Please do not, however tempting, use this as a social opportunity to engage in groups, keeping the 2m social distance is vital to our safe running of the range.

Once you have completed your session please depart the range at the designated time – 12:30 to 13:00 for a.m. shooters & 16:15 or earlier for p.m. shooters.

Committee members and RCO's are doing their best to give people a chance to shoot safely. Please respect their requests to comply with any reasonable request to maintain safety, distance and order on the range.

The Committee will review procedures on a regular basis to ensure the health and safety of all club members. The Committee reserves the right to close the range at any time should they consider the continued running of the range presents an unacceptable risk.

Please remember 35,000 + have sadly lost their lives and the many heroes in the National Health Service and elsewhere put themselves at risk daily to care for people infected by Covid-19 and to make life easier for the rest of us, do not disrespect them by increasing the chances of infecting yourself or other people.

With thanks to Huddersfield Rifle Club for their assistance in compiling this document.

Dave Archer Hon Secretary