

RANGE STANDING ORDERS

Murchison Rifle Range

General

- 1 The range is located at Matakītaki West Bank Road, Reference NZTM E1543191; N5370966 with a centre line of fire of 222° grid.
- 2 The Nelson Branch of New Zealand Deer Stalkers Association Inc is responsible for the control and maintenance of the Murchison Rifle Range.
- 3 Tenure is by 'grant of licence' from the Director General of Conservation.
- 4 All users of the range must comply with the requirements of the 'Range Standing Orders'.

Restrictions

- 1 The range is restricted to small arm calibre rifles and shotguns.
- 2 Incendiary or Tracer ammunition is categorically prohibited.
- 3 **No firearm, ammunition, magazine or part prohibited under the Arms (Prohibited Firearms, Magazines, and Parts) Amendment Regulations 2019 may be brought on to the range for any purpose.**

Appointments

- 1 A designated range officer will be present when the range is in use by NZDA and will be responsible for range safety.
2. Any individual using the range must comply with range standing orders and ensure the range is safe to use.

Range Signs and Flags

- 1 A 'Range Status Sign' is sited at the entrance to the range and must be deployed when the range is in use
Note.... Access to the range is restricted to the one entry point because of the topography and dense vegetation.

Vehicle Access

Vehicles are to be parked on the road side of the Range Status Sign and clear of the access track to the firing point.

Safety Rules

- 1 No firearm may be loaded unless the user is at the firing point and only on the orders of the Range Officer.
- 2 Actions will be open at all other times.
- 3 Firearms may only be loaded when pointed down the range.
- 4 When persons need to advance in front of the firing line (to check targets etc.) all firearms will be unloaded and cleared by the Range Officer.
- 5 No person should shift or handle another person's firearm unless directed by the Range Officer.
- 6 Only firearms and ammunition in a safe condition may be used.
- 7 Targets must be constructed and sited to reduce or eliminate ricochets.

- 8 Firearms must be cleared prior to removal from the firing point
- 9 Firearms must be secured between events.

First Aid

First Aid facilities will be available on the range during NZDA events.

Fire Precautions

All reasonable precautions (see restrictions on incendiary ammunition) will be taken, any fire quickly extinguished and reported.

Toilets

Adequate toilet facilities will be provided during NZDA events.

Range Clearance

- 1 All waste and litter is to be removed from the site.
- 2 Range Status Sign closed.
- 3 Damage or concern reported to
 - The Range Committee K. Simpson
 - NZDA or
 - P O Box 495 Murchison.
 - Nelson Ph. 03 5239183.
 - Ph 03 5476202

FIREARM INCIDENT PROCEDURES

Following a firearm incident causing death or serious harm these procedures must be followed –

- 1. Cease firing and clear all firearms.**
- 2. Render first aid and contact 111 for ambulance. (Murchison Hospital 03 5231120)**
- 3. Advise the NZ Police there has been a firearm incident on the range. (Murchison 03 5231170)**
- 4. Seal off the area**
- 5. Secure but do not remove or strip the firearm involved in the incident**
- 6. Advise the Nelson Branch of NZDA ph 0274305008, 0272450452**
- 7. Make a list of all participants present and remain present until cleared by NZ Police.**
- 8. No media interviews are to be given. Refer all media to NZ Police.**

Signed:

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