



COCKBURN-FREMANTLE PISTOL CLUB (Inc)

By-Laws

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1 Members

- a. All members are subject to WAPA pistol regulations, the constitution and by-laws of the Club. It is the member's responsibility to ensure mailing address, contact information and firearm records of club supported firearms, which includes purchases and disposals, is current and up to date. The member shall advise the Secretary of any changes within 7 days.
- b. Eye protection is mandatory on all ranges at the club while any firing is in progress for all shooters, visitors and guests.
- c. A busy bee levy as set by the committee will be added to the annual membership fees unless the member has attended at least 2 busy bee events per year for at least 3 hours per event.
- d. Members who have resigned in good standing to have a 24 month period of grace in which they may rejoin the club without the requirement of a nomination fee.
- e. The Management Committee has the discretion to set a nomination fee for a past member of good standing, applying to rejoin the club after an absence of longer than 24 months.
- f. If any member fails to comply with the rules, regulations, Club Constitution, Club By-Laws or fails to comply with safety recommendations, the member may be required to attend a committee meeting. The management committee may impose a caution, suspension or expulsion from the club or other actions as deemed appropriate.

2 Club Property

- a. All Club property is to be listed in a Register stored at the Club, with the exception of Club Pistols. The Secretary is to maintain the register.

3 Club Key Application

- a. A member wishing to hire a Range key may apply to the Secretary on the prescribed form and on payment of a set fee shall receive a key, which remains the property of the Club and is to be returned at the cessation of Membership at which time the hire fee will be refunded.
- b. No key applications will be accepted or considered unless the applicant has been a fully active financial member of the club for at least the preceding 6 months.

4 Shooting Activity

- a. There must be at least two competitors for an official shoot to take place so that scores can be officially recorded for activity purposes, scores to be entered into club score books.
- b. Club championship shoots will be conducted in accordance with WAPA and Pistol Australia regulations.
- c. Club records can only be set by club members whose affiliation to WAPA is through Cockburn Fremantle Pistol Club. The match must be on the club calendar, shot at the club, conducted according to WAPA and PA rules and regulations and have at least three competitors competing. The score card must be signed by other competitors and forwarded to the scorer who will present it to the next committee meeting for ratification.

5 Membership Application

- a. A current National Police Certificate (National Police Clearance) and 2 passport sized photos shall be obtained by prospective new members along with Nomination Fee and made available to the Management Committee before any membership is considered.
- b. New members must pay their Club Fees within 60 days from the date of committee approval. Membership fees unpaid after 60 days will result in the membership approval expiring with the loss of any fees paid.

6 Firearms

- a. All members wishing to purchase pistols must make an application on an approved Pistol Application Form, submitting the application form to the Secretary (**ONLY SUITABLE PISTOLS WILL BE APPROVED**). The application will then be considered at the next regular monthly Committee of Management meeting, and be subject to scrutiny by the Committee as to

the applicant's ability to safely use the firearm applied for and their suitability for the matches being shot. If the applicant is not able to use, or is not experienced in ammunition reloading for the firearm applied for, they will be required to undergo instruction in its use and how to reload before being allowed to use the firearm unsupervised or in a Club Competition. The applicant will be notified in writing of such conditions and the instructor will be appointed by the Committee.

- b. Only cased firearms are allowed in the club rooms, except as per regulations for coaching purposes and or with committee member permission. During Opens, State and National Championships, no cased or un-cased firearms are permitted in the club rooms.
- c. All firearms are to remain cased or in a soft case on the range except when under the direction of the appointed range officer, i.e.: when preparation time is announced. All firearms are to be taken to the firing line in their cases and only removed at the firing line pointing down range (toward the target) and placed in a safe condition.
- d. Any repairs / adjustments or sight blackening etc before the firearm is on the firing line can only be done in a nominated 'safe area'.
- e. No holstered firearm is to be worn when transiting between Range G and H.

7 Noise Abatement

- a. All members and visiting shooters be conversant with, and comply with, the current noise abatement conditions governing the shooting activities of the Cockburn-Fremantle Pistol Club, as stipulated in the "Noise Management Plan" dated 5 May 2011 contained in the Lease Documents approved by the City of Cockburn on 30 June 2011. Any person or person's found to be in-breach of the said conditions as set out and summarized in Clauses 7(b) to 7(m) inclusive, in whole or in part, will, as a result of their actions, be in breach of the Club By-Laws and render themselves responsible for any financial loss, restrictions, and or loss of amenities ordinarily enjoyed by Club Members.
- b. These conditions do not apply to any air / gas powered pistols of .177 calibre fired within the confines of Range A.
- c. Range B is closed to all live firing.
- d. All live firing shall be carried out from the marked positions within all insulated booths on all ranges. The discharge of any firearm in the open or outside of an insulated booth on the Club premises is prohibited.
- e. No metal jacketed, semi jacketed or Magnum load ammunition are allowed to be fired on any Range at the club.
- f. Factory loaded ammunition with lead projectiles only may be used on the Club ranges provided the Power Factor of the ammunition does not exceed the limits specified under Clauses 7(g) and 7(h). Power Factor (PF) shall be calculated as follows:- $PF = M \times V$, where M = projectile weight in grains and V = projectile velocity in feet per second, measured within three metres from the muzzle.
- g. The maximum power factor of any hand-loaded or factory loaded ammunition used on Ranges G and H shall not exceed 140,000.
- h. The maximum power factor of any hand-loaded or factory loaded ammunition used on Ranges C, D, E, and F shall not exceed 130,000.
- i. Black Powder pistols shall be restricted to a maximum powder load of 20 grains.
- j. On Range G, 22.85m, 13.7m, 9.15m and 6.4 positions are open to all calibres between and including .22 rimfire to .45 calibre, provided shooting is carried out within and to the rear of the mobile acoustic booths. Parking positions for the booths shall be as marked on the booths and rails at the respective shooting positions.
- k. No firearms, other than pistols between the calibre of .177 to .45 calibres inclusive, shall be discharged on the club premises.
- l. Live fire shooting is only permitted from 8.30am to 7pm on Monday to Saturday and 9.30am to 7pm on Sundays and Public Holidays. Live fire shooting outside these hours is totally prohibited. Air pistol on Range A is permitted at all hours.
- m. Live fire shooting is totally prohibited all day on Christmas Day and Easter Friday and no shooting on ANZAC day before 1pm. Air Pistol on Range A can be shot on any day

8 Visitors

- a. Visitors from other clubs are to sign a separate Visitors Book stating their name and Club. They are to fill in an envelope and deposit the set fee in the envelope in the Honour Box. The top copy is retained by the visitor as their official receipt and must be shown to the Range Officer before the visitor is permitted to shoot in the competition or on demand if no competition is in progress.