

Dodd & Associates
Range Safety Rules
2107 Leggett Rd Sale Creek, TN 37373

1. **Always** treat every firearm as if it were loaded.
2. **Always** keep the firearm pointed in a safe direction – a direction where a negligent discharge would cause minimum property damage and zero physical injury.
3. **Always** keep your trigger finger off the trigger and outside of the trigger guard until you have made a conscious decision to shoot.
4. **Always** be sure of your target, backstop, and beyond.
5. Compliance with safety regulations applicable to the firearms in use and particular training scenario will be maintained at all times.
6. Training activities will not commence until a comprehensive safety briefing is conducted
7. Adequate first aid equipment will be maintained on site at all times.
8. The locations for the first Aid equipment and range emergency phone are:
First Aid Supplies: located in the Range House
Phone: instructors will have a working cell phone on their person at all times during range activities.
9. All safety rules for handling weapons must be obeyed and will be enforced.
10. Strict discipline will be maintained. Carelessness will not be tolerated at any time during firearms training.
11. No talking on the firing line except to instructors.
12. No tobacco products, eating, or drinking are allowed on the line on the range. Smoking is permitted in the designated outdoor areas only.
13. It is each participant's responsibility to cover all open wounds and cuts before utilizing the range. If any injury occurs during training operations, no matter how slight, the participant must immediately notify an instructor and attend to the injury. Universal precautions i.e.) gloves, eye protection, etc. will be used if there is any possibility of coming into contact with blood or body fluids.
14. Eye and ear protection is required at all times on the firing line and in the shoot house. Specifically, eye protection will consist of ANSI Z87.1 impact rated wrap-around type safety glasses or prescription safety glasses with side shields. Ear protection will consist of either inner foam insert plugs or outer muffs with a combined sound mitigation capability of at least 35 Db.
15. Shooters are encouraged to wear long pants to minimize injury from bullet splatter. Long sleeve shirts are highly recommended if weather permits. In addition, shooters are required to wear a billed hat to prevent ejected brass casings from lodging behind the shooter's safety glasses and causing injury.

16. Immediately upon picking up a weapon, point it in a safe direction, open the action and visually and physically check to verify that it is unloaded. Check the weapon a second time.
17. Never hand a firearm to someone or take a firearm from someone unless the action is open and the weapon is handed or taken butt first.
18. Always conduct a proper safety/function inspection of the firearm before and after a training operation.
19. Never anticipate a command or instruction.
20. Load only after position is taken on the firing line and the order to load has been given. Load, unload, and reload only as instructed.
21. Never draw or holster a handgun with the finger in the trigger guard or on the trigger.
22. If a firearm does start to fall to the ground, **DO NOT ATTEMPT TO CATCH IT**. Internal safeties should prevent the firearm from going off. Should this happen, immediately report it to an instructor for a safety inspection of the weapon.
23. Never holster a handgun with the hammer in the cocked position unless the weapon is designed for carry in single action mode, in which case the safety will be engaged.
24. Never bend over the firing line unless instructed to do so.
25. Never leave your firing point unless instructed to do so.
26. Never go forward of the firing line unless instructed to do so.
27. Never remove a weapon from the holster on the range unless instructed to do so.
28. Never dry fire on the range unless directed to do so.
29. Safety is everyone's responsibility. Anyone who observes an unsafe act or condition has the authority to immediately call a cease fire and report the problem to an instructor.

I have read o have been briefed on the range safety rules and guidelines, understand and will comply with all safety rules at all times while I am affiliated with the Dodd and Associates Training Classes.

Student Name (print): _____ **Date:** _____

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Witness: _____