

**West Manchester Township Farmers and Sportsman Association**  
**General Rules and Regulations**  
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**General Rules:**

1. All members using club property **must** possess a current membership card at all times. Sharing or loaning your membership card to another person is prohibited.
2. **Do not** park in 'No Parking' areas and **do not** park in the grass.
3. The Caretaker is authorized and required to enforce all rules and regulations of the Association.
4. Cutting or removal of trees or shrubbery without permission of an Association Officer/Director is prohibited.
5. **No** target shooting of any kind is permitted except in the designated areas.
6. **No** public urination.
7. Persons attending a rental function **shall not** be permitted on the gun ranges. This includes member who are attending or have rented the club facility.
8. **No** beer or alcoholic beverages will be sold or supplied by the club. Members may bring their own alcohol, but no alcohol may be left or stored on club property.
9. Any rental group who wishes to engage in Small Games of Chance activities must have their own license from the County Treasure and provide a copy of said license with the rental contract.
10. A club Officer/Director or Small Games of Chance Chairman must be present whenever Small Games of Chance paraphernalia is in use.
11. **Willful destruction of Club property and/or willfully disobeying club rules will not be tolerated and are grounds for immediate dismissal and loss of membership.**
12. Properly dispose of any trash etc. that you bring to the club.

**Hunting:**

1. Hunting on club property is for members only. A valid membership card must be in your possession while hunting.
2. Guest **are not** permitted to hunt on club property.
3. The use of portable tree stands or hunting blind shall be as follows:
  - a. A tree stand or blind **cannot** cause damage to tree(s).
  - b. Cutting or trimming of trees and brush **is prohibited**.
  - c. A tree stand or blind left on the club property overnight **is prohibited**. If a tree stand or blind is found and removed, the club is not responsible for the return to the owner.
4. **Do not** litter on club property.

## Shooting Ranges:

### General Range Information:

1. Only club members are allowed on the ranges, with the following exceptions:
  - a. Active military when accompanied by a member.
  - b. Club activities, such as Hunters Education/Fire Arm Training.
  - c. When special use is requested and approved by the Board of Directors.
    - i. Example: Request by the Police department.
  - d. Archery, Rifle, Pistol and trap ranges when there is a specific activity/shoot conducted and a fee is being charged.
  - e. A youth under the age of sixteen (16) when accompanied by a member.
  - f. The spouse and siblings of a member may use the ranges if accompanied by the member. Siblings are defined as the natural born child who is under the age of eighteen (18) years old.
  - g. Guest membership program. Guest may participate in shooting a maximum of three (3) times while accompanied by a current club member. After the third time, the guest must become a member to shoot at the club. Guest must complete the 'Guest Membership' form and pay fee prior to using any of the ranges.
2. All children under the age of sixteen (16) must be accompanied by an adult member (18) years or older) when on **ANY** range.
3. Alcoholic beverages are prohibited while using any of the ranges. If alcoholic beverages have been consumed, that person is prohibited from using the range.

## Archery:

### Outdoor Archery:

1. All children under the age of sixteen (16) must be accompanied by an adult member (18) years or older) when on **ANY** range.
2. Practice only on the site-in range.
3. **Do Not** shoot broad head tips on any of the sight-in targets or targets on the course.
4. **Do Not** backtrack on the course. This is a dangerous practice and is **strictly forbidden**.
5. A bow or a person must be in front of a target where someone is hunting for a lost arrow.
6. **Archery Ranges will be closed**, except on Sundays, during the regulated hunting season so that the property can be safely hunted. As hunting seasons change from year to year, the closed dates will be posted each year.
7. **Archery Range will be closed** on Tuesday, starting April 1<sup>st</sup> through the end of September, for trap shooting.
8. **Archery Range will be closed** on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday January thru December, for trap shooting.

**Indoor Archery:**

1. All children under the age of sixteen (16) must be accompanied by an adult member (18) years or older) when on **ANY** range.
2. If there are more than one (1) persons using the range, a range officer shall be designated.
3. **Do Not** shoot broad head tips on any of the targets.
4. Only three (3) arrows shall be shot per round.
5. All persons must remain behind the shooting line until everyone is ready to retrieve their arrows. Only after everyone is behind the shooting line may the shooting commence.
6. The last person to leave the building **Must** turn off all the lights and the air conditioning. During the heating season, the heat **Must** be turned down to 60 degrees.

**Trap Range:**

1. All children under the age of sixteen (16) must be accompanied by an adult member (18) years or older) when on **ANY** range.
2. Trap ranges are open every Tuesdays starting April 1<sup>st</sup> thru the end of September, 8:00 am until dusk, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays if each month, 1:00 pm until dusk, January thru December.
3. Only shotgun shells loaded with shot are permitted on the Trap Range. Slugs or single projectiles ammo **is not** permitted on this range.
4. **No** shotgun patterning permitted on the Trap Range.
5. The use of the electronic trap throwers **is not** permitted without the approval from the Officers/Directors and without the supervision of the Trap Chairperson.
6. The use of club owned Clay Birds (located in the Trap Club House) **is not** permitted.
7. Eye and Ear protection must always be used.

### Handgun Range:

1. All children under the age of sixteen (16) must be accompanied by an adult member (18) years or older) when on **ANY** range.
2. Unless otherwise posted, the Handgun range will be open Monday thru Saturday, 8:00 am until sunset. Sundays 10:00 am until sunset.
3. If there are more than one (1) persons using the range, a range officer **shall be** designated.
4. Eye and Ear protection **must** always be used.
5. .50 cal. Browning rifle fire is **prohibited**.
6. The use of penetrating, incendiary or tracer ammunition is **strictly forbidden**.
7. Uncontrolled or unsafe rapid firing **is not** permitted.
8. Only paper targets and club provided steel targets are permitted on the range. Targets must be hung in a manner where all bullets enter the backstop and there is no damage to the target post and/or the cross members. The use of ground targets or any other type of target is **strictly forbidden**.
9. Fully automatic weapons are prohibited.
10. Shot gun shooting is permitted at paper targets only.
11. **Clean up** all used brass and properly dispose.
12. Remove paper targets and properly dispose.

### Rules for the use of Handgun Range Steel Targets:

- Steel Targets are for handgun and .22 Long rifle (rim fire) use only. (.45ACP, .44 mag and smaller). BB guns, Muzzleloader and Shotguns **are not** permitted to be used on the steel targets. **NO** armor piercing ammunition of any kind permitted.
- Rifle or rifle ammunition **SHALL NOT** be used on steel targets. (Except for .22 Long Rifle (rim fire) ammunition and .22 rifles)
- Shooters **MUST** maintain a minimum distance of **10 yards** from steel targets while shooting.
- Steel Targets may be re-positioned; however, they **Must** be placed in front of the ground berm and not in front of the target post while in use. Shooting direction **Must** be down range opposite from the shooting benches. **Do not** shoot across the range.
- Steel targets use shall be shared with all shooters present.

**Rifle Range:**

1. All children under the age of sixteen (16) must be accompanied by an adult member (18) years or older) when on **ANY** range.
2. If there are more than one (1) persons using the range, a range officer shall be designated.
3. Eye and Ear protection must always be used.
4. .50 cal. Browning rifle fire is prohibited.
5. The use of penetrating, incendiary or tracer ammunition is **strictly forbidden**.
6. Shotgun shooting is permitted with single projectile ammunition only.
7. Handgun shooting is permitted.
8. **Indiscriminate burst firing or automatic firing is prohibited. Rapid fire must be part of a recognized course of fire (matches or instructor lead training) and must not be indiscriminate.**
9. Only paper targets and club provided steel targets are permitted on the range. Targets must be hung in a manner where all bullets enter the backstop and there is no damage to the target post and/or the cross members. The use of ground targets or any other type of target is **strictly forbidden**.
10. Fully automatic weapons are prohibited.
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