



Vernon Fish & Game Club

The Vernon Fish & Game Club's mission is to promote and encourage good sportsmanship and conservation practices for outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, archery and shooting sports within our membership and throughout the community.

RANGE REGULATIONS

*It is **your responsibility** to read, understand, and follow the Range Regulations*

Remember **“THE VITAL FOUR”** rules of firearm safety:

- **Treat every firearm as if it is loaded**
- **Control the muzzle direction at all times**
- **Open the action and check that there is no ammunition in the firearm**
- **Keep your finger off the trigger, except when ready to fire**

Ear and eye protection is mandatory at the firing line.

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1.0 Sign In

- 1.1 The hours available for shooting are from dawn to dusk.
- 1.2 Check our web site (www.vernonfishandgame.com) for notices of any closures or scheduled events.
- 1.3 Members and guests must sign in prior to using the range. Members and guests need to be properly signed in to be covered by club insurance and to meet CFO record keeping requirements.
- 1.4 Display the red flag at the range that you will be using to let people know that there is or going to be live fire taking place there.
- 1.5 Confirm with others on the range where you will be shooting as this increases the safety of everyone.
- 1.6 Children must wear ear and eye protection while in the vicinity of a live range. They must be under the direct supervision of an adult at all times, unless that child possesses a valid Minor's Firearms License and has undergone the VF&GC range safety orientation.
- 1.7 Dogs must be controlled at all times. Clean up after pet.
- 1.8 Current club membership cards must be displayed when asked by the range officer or you will be asked to leave.
- 1.9 The main gate must be locked at all times. The only exception to this rule is a club sponsored event that may include visitors, drop-ins, and/or non-member participants.

2.0 Members and Guests

- 2.1 Consumption of alcohol and/or drugs or being under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs is prohibited during range use.
- 2.2 Members and guests are responsible for having their firearms properly registered and appropriate certificates and firearms license in their possession.
- 2.3 Guests (or members) who do not have a PAL (restricted or unrestricted) must be under the direct and immediate supervision of a PAL holder.
- 2.4 A maximum of two guests are permitted per membership per day. A family membership counts as a single membership. A person may only be a guest twice in

a calendar year. Attending a sanctioned event does not count towards a person's limit.

- 2.5 Members are responsible for ensuring that their guests follow range regulations.
- 2.6 Guests are under the direct supervision of the member and must shoot at the same range.
- 2.7 No smoking is permitted due to fire hazard in the range area.
- 2.8 No hunting is allowed on range property.
- 2.9 All spectators must remain behind the safety line.

3.0 Flags

- 3.1 At the range where there is going to be live fire, raise the red flag located outside that range building to full mast.
- 3.2 At the range where there is activity such as a work party but no live fire, raise the red flag located outside of the range building to half-mast.
- 3.3 Firing line flag - use the smaller red and green flags located inside the rifle range building and the hand gun range building. The red flag will indicate the firing line is active and the green flag will indicate that the firing has ceased and the firing line is safe.
- 3.4 Lower the range flag when you are the last to leave the range

4.0 Range Usage

- 4.1 If someone is using the range when you arrive, check with them to determine who will act as range officer. This is a legal requirement when there is more than one shooter on the firing line, and no shooting may take place without a designated range officer.
- 4.2 Range users will obey the commands of the designated range officer. Failure to do so may result in your suspension from the range facilities and possible loss of your club membership.

- 4.3 Abusive language, harassment, horseplay or any unsafe act is unacceptable and could lead to loss of your club membership.
- 4.4 Use approved targets only. No glass or junk may be used as targets. Archery targets are for arrows only.
- 4.5 Targets must be placed so that the bullet hits the designed impact area (berm or hill) and not the ground. Targets are not to be placed on the ground. Targets must not be placed in such a way that the target holders will be unduly shot or damaged.
- 4.6 Leave space between yourself and another shooter if possible.
- 4.7 Dispose of brass, duds, etc. in the proper containers.
- 4.8 Remove all targets and pieces of targets from the range when you are finished.
- 4.9 Use the garbage bins for disposal of targets, etc. Do not use the bins to dispose of your household garbage. Please take home as much as you can.
- 4.10 Leave the range clean for the next user.

5.0 Range Safety

- 5.1 Obey all commands of the designated range officer immediately. In the event there is an untrained designated range officer supervising a firing line at the time of the arrival of a VF&GC trained range officer; the trained range officer has the authority to override the untrained one. VF&GC trained range officers will be clearly identified by displayed insignia.
- 5.2 If you are handling your firearm in a careless or unsafe manner you will be directed to leave and you could lose your club membership.
- 5.3 Any accident, damage, or injury must be reported immediately to the secretary of the club.
- 5.4 Rifles must be cased or uncased on the benches behind the firing line. Uncased rifles must be placed in racks until you are ready and permitted to take them to the firing line.
- 5.5 Uncased handguns are to be left on the bench unloaded, action or cylinder open until you are ready and permitted to take them forward to the firing line.
- 5.6 Firearms are to be worked on and loaded only at the firing line.

- 5.7 Get permission before touching someone else's firearm.
- 5.8 When at the firing line, keep the muzzle of your firearm pointed down range at all times.
- 5.9 Shoot only at your own target.
- 5.10 Do not place your finger on the trigger until your firearm is pointing at your target and you are ready to fire.
- 5.11 Treat every firearm as loaded at all times.
- 5.12 Unload your firearm when not in use.
- 5.13 Once a cease fire is called, all firearms must be immediately unloaded, actions left open, removed from the firing line with the muzzle pointed upward, and placed in the racks. Firearms may only be returned back to the firing line once the range officer has declared the range active.
- 5.14 During a cease fire all handguns must have the cylinder or action open, magazine out, chamber clear. They are to be placed on the tables at the firing line and not touched until the range office directs that they may be loaded.
- 5.15 Guns carried in an external holster are prohibited everywhere except inside the range buildings and on the range as long as the firearm is unloaded. The designated range officer must check the gun to ensure it is unloaded and declare it safe. The firearm may only be loaded at the firing line when the range is active and you are preparing to shoot.
- 5.16 Stand well behind the firing line until the range has been made active.
- 5.17 Do not distract another shooter when he/she is shooting.
- 5.18 Unloaded firearms at the back of the range building may only be handled during a ceasefire to prepare for transport or to place in the racks. Handling of firearms for any other reason during a ceasefire is prohibited.
- 5.19 Members are asked to report people who are not following the rules. Problems can only be solved if the club executive knows about them.

6.0 Common Range Commands

- 6.1 The designated range officer should allow at least 3 seconds between commands and will visually confirm that each command has been followed.
- 6.2 The range is active; bring your firearms to the firing line.
- 6.3 Ready on the firing line? (eye and ear protection in place)
- 6.4 Load and commence fire.
- 6.5 Cease fire.
- 6.6 Clear your firearms (cylinder or action open, magazine out, chamber clear).
- 6.7 All clear? (check)
- 6.8 Rack your rifle / lay down your handgun.
- 6.9 The line is safe.
- 6.10 Go forward; score / repair / replace targets.

7.0 Range Layout

- 7.1 Range Location: 202 Bardolph Lake FSR
- 7.2 This is a multi-use shooting facility. The range facility has five ranges:
 - 7.2.1 **Handgun / Rimfire Range A**
 - 3 lanes, 45m handgun / small bore range
 - 6 lanes up to 35m handgun range
 - 7.2.2 **Rifle Range**
 - 3 bays with 3 stations each
 - 50m, 100m, 150m, 200m, 300m, 400m
 - 7.2.3 **Handgun Range B**
 - 2 bays, 25m handgun, shotgun, rifle
 - 7.2.4 **Reserve Range**
 - 2 bays, 25m handgun, shotgun, rifle

- 7.2.5 *Archery*
- bag course and practice range

7.3 *Handgun / Rimfire Range A*

Location: to right of the rifle range building

No. of firing points: 6 handgun, 3 rifle

Firing distance: 10m – 45m

Approved firearms: handgun, shotgun, rimfire and centerfire rifle

Maximum approved calibers:

- all pistol calibers
- all shotgun calibers (including rifles and sabot slugs)
- all rifle calibers from .22 long rifle to .223 remington and .308 winchester (NO magnum calibers)

Approved targets: paper, wood or clay only. NO metal targets permitted other than during a sanctioned practice or event approved in advance by the club directors.

Approved ammunition only: no incendiary, tracer or amour piercing bullets are permitted

7.4 *Rifle Range*

Location: parking lot at end of the range access road

No. of firing points: 9

Firing distance: 50 m, 100m, 150m, 200m, 300m and 400m

Approved firearms: Rim fire and center fire rifle, shotgun and handgun

Maximum approved calibers: up to 50 BMG

Approved targets: paper, wood or clay only. Metal targets approved at 300m and 400m only

Approved ammunition only: no incendiary, tracer or amour piercing bullets are permitted

7.5 *Handgun Range B and Reserve Range (lower ranges)*

Location: 200m in from the main gate

No. of firing points: 2 bays

Firing distance: 10m – 45m

Approved firearms: handgun, shotgun, rimfire and centerfire rifle

Maximum approved calibers:

- all pistol calibers
- all shotgun calibers (including rifles and sabot slugs)
- all rifle calibers from .22 long rifle to .223 remington and .308 winchester (NO magnum calibers)

Approved targets: paper, wood or clay only. NO metal targets permitted other than during a sanctioned practice

Approved ammunition only: no incendiary, tracer or amour piercing bullets are permitted

7.6 Archery Range

Location: left of the Reserve Range

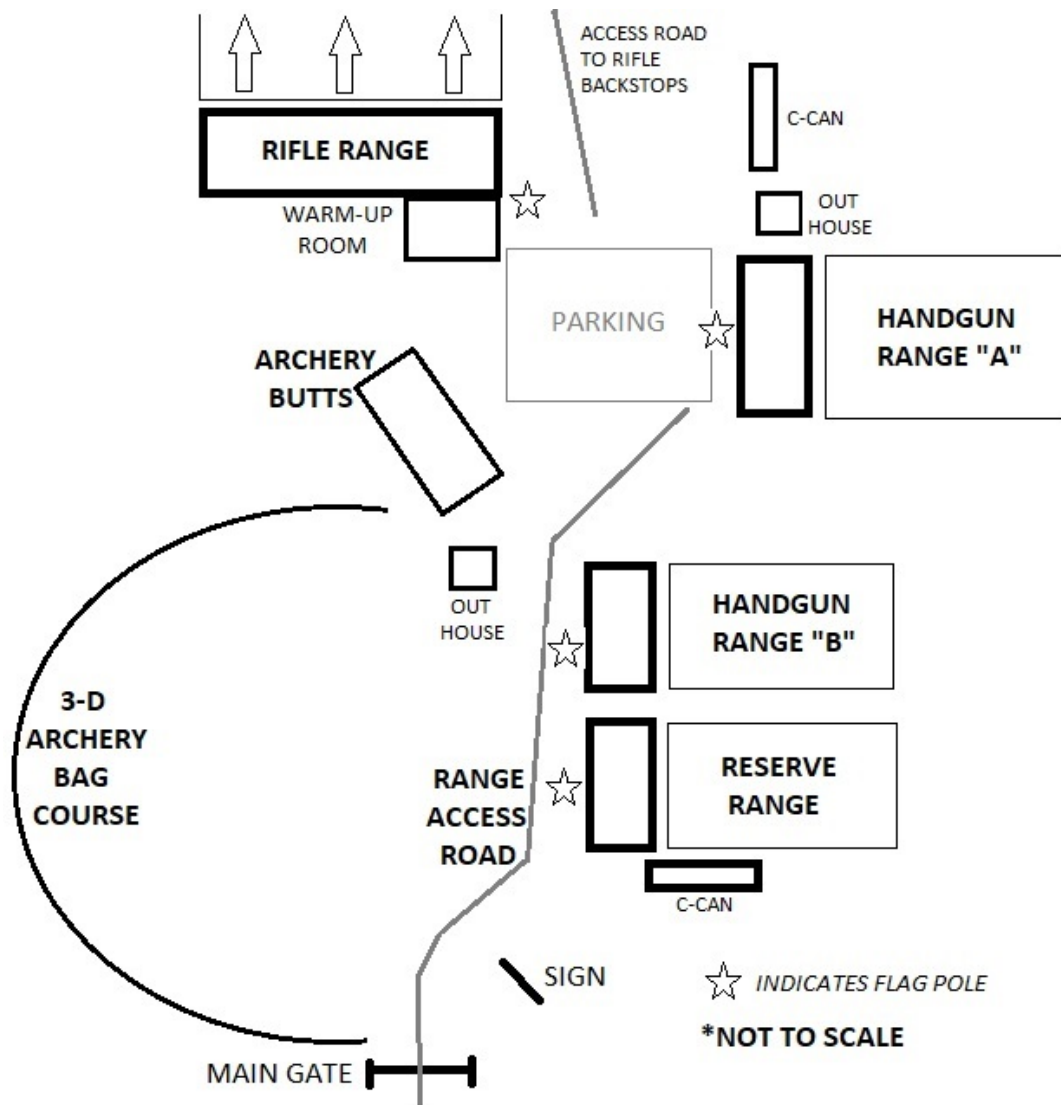
Description: bagged course and practice range

Firing distance: 20yds, 30yds, 40 yds and 50yds

Approved bows: crossbows and bows. NO broadheads.

*Absolutely no firearms allowed on this range for any reason.

7.7 Range Layout Map



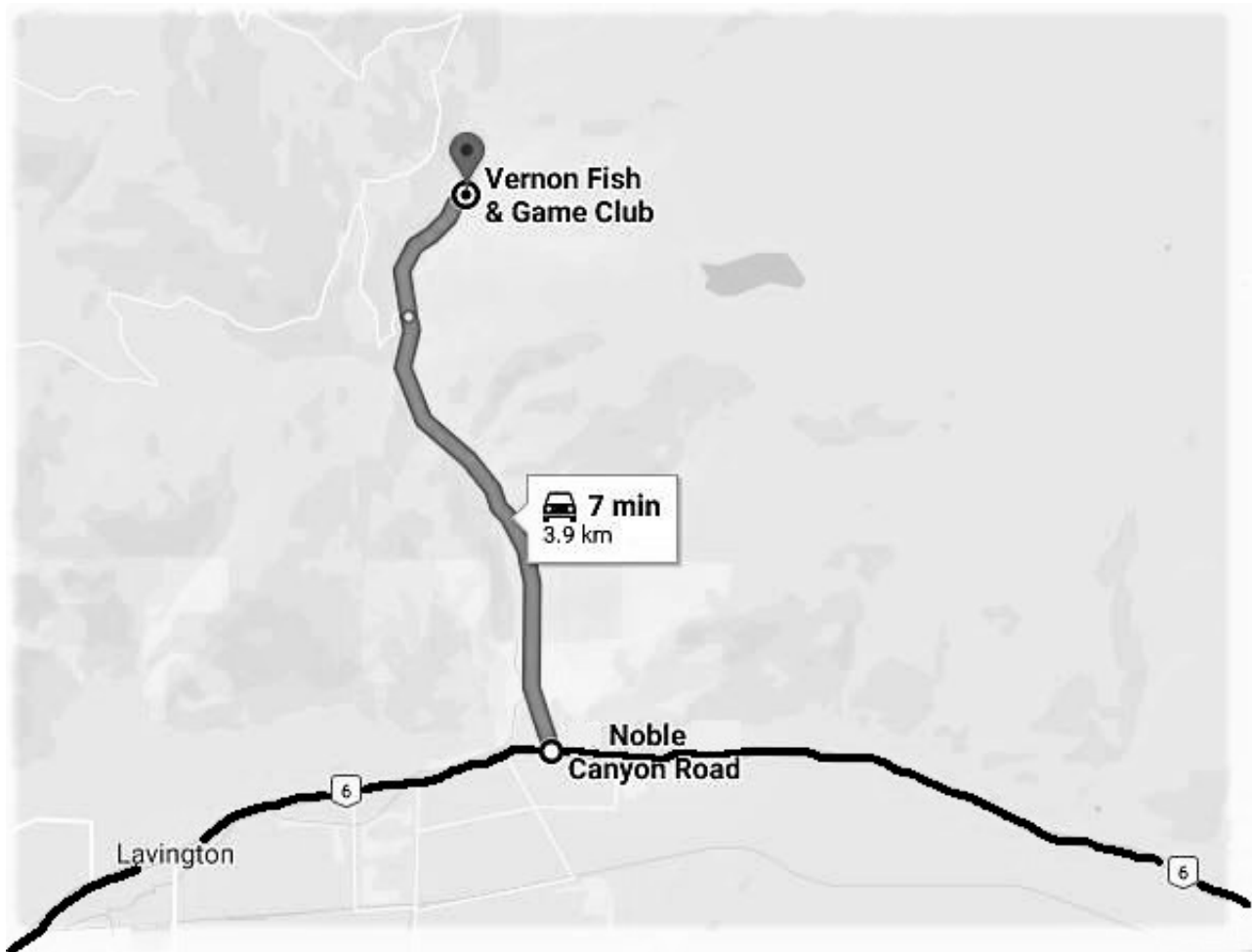
8.0 Law Enforcement / Peace Officers / Security Personnel

- 8.1 All groups using the reserve handgun range must pre-book a week in advance with the secretary of the club and sign in at the range prior to using the range.
- 8.2 Peace Officers must wear official identification.
- 8.3 All targets must be removed from the property or disposed of in the bin provided.
- 8.4 Unload your firearm when not in use and do not leave your firearm unattended.
- 8.5 Holsters may be used.
- 8.6 Follow the Range Officer's commands.
- 8.7 Be courteous and act in accordance with all range rules..
- 8.8 Dispose of all brass and duds in the proper container.
- 8.9 Clean up the range when you are ready to leave.

9.0 Emergency Information

- 9.1 Emergency phone numbers
 - RCMP 911
 - Ambulance 911
 - Fire 911
- 9.2 Mailing address:
 - PO Box 596
 - Vernon, B.C.
 - V1T 6M4
- 9.3 Website: www.vernonfishandgame.com
- 9.4 Range and bookings: 250-547-1442

10.0 Map to Range



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