

TRAINING MANUAL



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INTRODUCTION

Whether you are a new member or a long standing member of the Whangarei Pistol Club Inc, it is our pleasure to introduce you to our training program and outline the club's safety rules and regulations.

As per our Constitution, one of our objectives is to promote and foster pistol shooting as a sport and recreational activity. Towards the goal we have indeed been successful as the Whangarei Pistol Club is the only pistol club in New Zealand that is situated in town, we have members that are still current from the day since the Club's inception from over 35 years ago.

When you join the Whangarei Pistol Club, your first six months are spent as a probationary member. During this time, it is mandatory for you to attend and pass a series of safe gun-handling courses before applying for your B Endorsement (This endorsement on your firearms license allows you to own a pistol)

W.P.C has a structured training program designed to advance a club member from the status of 'raw recruit' on to the point where they can shoot competitively with great skill and above all, absolutely safely.

Your personal training program starts the very first day you become a W.P.C probationary member. Our Section Directors, Training Director and Range Officers will be able to conduct the various courses listed in the booklet with you.

WELCOME TO WHANGAREI PISTOL CLUB

Welcome to the Whangarei Pistol Club, below is some general information you should be aware of as a new probationary member of the club.

Rules and Regulations

Please take the time to read out club's rules and regulations contained within this manual. These can also be found on our club website www.whangareipistolclub.org.nz Familiarize yourself with what you can and cannot do at the club. Ignorance of the club rules and regulations is no excuse and breaches of the club rules are considered a serious offence.

Signing in at the club

When you arrive at the club please make sure that you sign the register and also carry your club card. The sign in register is the club attendance record. If you do not have a card please advise the Secretary secretary@wpc.org.nz

Club I.D.

Please wear your club I.D badge when you are at the club. If you haven't received your I.D badge, please contact the club secretary.

Eye and Ear Protection

When on any of the ranges, it is mandatory to wear eye protection and ear protection. If you do not have adequate eye or ear protection, you will not be able to be on the range or shoot.

Range Hours

The club is open most days. Sunday is our main club day. We have Summer operating hours 10:00am till 6:30pm and Winter operating hours 10:00am till 4:30om. **No shooting is to take place outside of these hours.**

Refer to the club website calendar when the ranges are available.

If the Police are in attendance, do not assume that you can use the ranges, enquire first with the Police Trainer as they may decline your presence or ask you to shoot on the furthest range from their training exercises.

Club Calendar

All club matches and events are listed on our club calendar. Please check the club calendar before arriving to the range to check what is happening and is available.
www.whangareipistolclub.org.nz – calendar

Section Directors

Each section has a committee member who is responsible for that discipline. If you are interested in shooting any of the disciplines after you have completed your training program, please contact the relevant section director.

Club Pistols

The club has a limited number of pistols predominately used for training purposes. After you complete your training and have acquired your “B” endorsement the club expects you to purchase and use your own pistol.

Training Manual

The training manual outlines the process in obtaining your pistol license as well as records attendances and activity shoots as required by the Arms Act.

Getting you Pistol License

Before applying to the committee for your pistol license you need the following:

- 1) Have a current NZ Firearms License
- 2) Have been a member of the NZ Pistol Association (NZPA) for a minimum of 6 months.
- 3) Have completed 12 recorded shoots in the first 6 months.
- 4) Have sat and passed the NZPA Range Officer and Safety Tests.

Club Etiquette

Please be aware that there are also unwritten rules for the club. Please arrive before the start time of 10:00am to help out setting up the ranges. Help with scoring and patching. There is always work to be done on the range and any help is always welcomed. Respect the role of the Duty Range Officer on the day which is to oversee the rules and safe running of the range during shooting. Participate in club activities and take part, you will enjoy making new friends and learning new skills. Please leave ranges clean and free of steel frames, plates, targets and rubbish.

Unacceptable behaviour or a bad attitude will not be tolerated.

All members have the right to enjoy their chosen sport. The committee encourages members to report any untoward behaviour or any attitudes that are not befitting a Fit & Proper Person.

Suitable Attire

Please make sure that you wear suitable clothing for attending the range. Do not wear open toed footwear such as jandals. The club would prefer that no camouflage clothing is worn. If you do so, only wear one item of camouflage clothing.

Basic Firearm Safety

Treat every gun as if it were loaded – never point a firearm at yourself or anyone else. Always point the muzzle of the firearm in a safe direction. This is towards the backdrop of the range and no higher than 90°. Do not point the firearm in an upward direction. Do not put your finger inside the trigger guard unless you are engaging a target. You cannot handle firearms outside of the safety zone, unless you are under direct instruction from the Range Officer. Obey the Range Officer commands at all times. Each range will have a designated Range Officer, find out who this is when you enter a range.

Volunteers

Please be aware that the club is managed on the charity of volunteers. Members of the committee give up their personal time in order to ensure the smooth running of the club.

While committee members are happy to help you in the process of getting your pistol license, they also pay a full membership to come along and shoot at the club, so the time they spend with new members can be limited.

All members are encouraged to include and help out with new members.

Your first six months at the club is a crucial time in developing your shooting future.

Many long-standing members have one thing in common. They get involved, take part in matches and competitions and look after the running of the club.

Enjoy your time at the club and remember:-

The more you put into the club – the more you will get out of it.

TRAINING PROGRAM

The Whangarei Pistol Club has always been proud of the fact that we train the safest and some of the countries best shooters.

Our training program has changed over the years to incorporate the dynamics of the sport. Shooters are now required to possess far more skills than ever before.

The following training program is designed to help give the new shooter a balance of core skills to enjoy the world of competitive shooting or just enjoying having a shoot on Club Day.

Certainly your training does not finish at the end of the program.

From there many shooters branch out into areas of interest and continue to learn the intricacies of their chosen discipline.

Above all else this course should train you in becoming a better and SAFER shooter.

CLUB RULES & REGULATIONS

The following rules have been implemented by the committee of the Whangarei Pistol Club Inc. Any dispensation from these rules must be submitted to a full committee meeting for their consideration.

STANDARD SAFETY RULES & RANGE CONDUCT

1. Immediately on entering the range, every member and visitor shall sign the attendance book.
2. Every person entering the range, whether member or visitor places themselves under the direct control of the Range Officer, committee member or their assistants and must at all times comply with such person's directions and instructions.
3. No person shall refuse to obey the lawful instructions of the Range Officer or any other official acting in the proper function of the affairs of their office.
4. No person shall enter or leave the range with a loaded firearm.
5. No firearm shall be loaded until the shooter is on the firing line and the command "LOAD & MAKE READY" has been given by the Range Officer. When not at the firing line, firearms will be

unloaded at all times. Special conditions apply to holster qualified members while involved in action and practical matches.

FIRING POINT RULES

It is incumbent upon shooters to make themselves familiar with the variety of firing point commands used in the various section matches. Booklets are available from the NZ Pistol Association in the Bullshooter magazine or website.

1. No person on the firing line shall touch a pistol while any other person is forward of the firing line.
2. The duty Range Officer shall personally check shooters guns are cleared before ordering personal forward of the firing line.
3. The safety of competitors, range staff and spectators requires continual attention by all concerned. Correct Firearm handling procedures must be adhered to at all times. Caution must be exercised while moving on or about the range complex. Self discipline and a responsible attitude is necessary on the part of competitors, range staff and spectators. Where such self control lacking , it is the responsibility of the duty Range Officer to enforce such conditions, competitors are also duty bound to assist in such enforcement.
4. The firing point will be kept clear at all times except for competitors actually firing and such range staff as may be necessary. Any person, competitor or otherwise, who interferes with or annoys any competitor in any way will be warned to desist, and failure to comply will result in that person being ordered off the range.
5. It is the duty of all shooters to clean up their firing points (bays) at the completion of their shoot. The range should also be swept, empty brass removed and in general left in a clean and tidy condition.

WPC MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

1. Club name tags, I.D must be worn at all times.

2. No alcohol or drugs are to be consumed prior to or during shooting. Any person consuming alcohol or under the effect of alcohol while shooting will be immediately be expelled from the range and the matter followed up with regards to further disciplinary action if deemed appropriate.
3. Holstered guns MAY NOT BE WORN outside the Whangarei Pistol Club complex area. Guns may not be removed from holsters, boxes or gun bags in the Clubrooms or terraced area unless a safety briefing is being conducted in a controlled environment.
4. Defined areas (SAFETY ZONES) are set aside where members may clean or repair guns, or show them to another person.
5. Holstered guns must be worn correctly with the gun belt through the trouser belt loops or similar method of stabilizing such equipment.
6. STRICTLY NO SHOOTING IS PERMITTED OUTSIDE THE PRESCRIBED RANGE HOURS. Disciplinary action will be taken against the member who breaks this rule.
7. Willful damage to any club equipment, structure or asset caused by irresponsible shooting or any other means will not be tolerated. Such actions will result in immediate suspension and a full committee hearing to determine the future membership status of such offenders.
8. Visitors other than "B" Endorsement holders are restricted to the use of a pistol when they are strictly under the supervision of a Range Officer with a "B" Endorsement.
9. Children/youngsters aged 12 to 16 years are restricted to the use of a .22 or air pistol. All shooting must be under the direct supervision of a qualified Range Officer or Club Trainer/Instructor

All members must be able to understand and respond to all range commands. People with hearing disabilities or language barriers must be able to show that they will be able to safely participate in pistol competitions prior to applying to committee for probationary membership.

WPC RANGE PROCEDURES

1. A Range Officer or Section Director must be on duty, they are responsible for all shooting and general behaviour.
2. No club member shall be shooting on the range when they are on their own. All shooting must be conducted with 2 persons on the range with one person being a Range Officer of the club holding a "B" Endorsement.
3. All pistols must be "cleared" while on the firing line before they are holstered or put in a box.
4. The Range Officer is in complete charge of the range. Failure to comply with his/her lawful instructions will result in immediate suspension.
5. Members (shooters) are responsible for firearms in their charge. Any accident means that one or more safety rules were violated. That is why the club demands that you accept full responsibility for your actions. It's your gun, you're shooting it, and you have full control of the disaster factors. If you cannot accept responsibility, this is not the sport for you.
6. Only NZPA holster qualified members are permitted to draw and holster a loaded handgun.
7. Members who are not NZPA holster certified may only wear a holstered handgun while under a training program directly supervised by the Whangarei Pistol Club Training Officer, qualified Holster Instructor or other authorized persons or with the special consent of the Training Officer.
8. Target placement must be carefully considered in order that all shoot through, stray or deflecting projectiles strike harmlessly into the berm.
9. Reckless disregard for yourself or others will result in immediate suspension by the duty Range Officer or acting committee member.
10. It is the responsibility of any member who witnesses willful damage or safety violations to act on the matter immediately and then report the same to a committee member forthwith.

11. The Whangarei Pistol Club committee acts within the Constitution of the club and as such reserves the right to terminate or suspend membership.
12. All safety violations will be dealt with immediately as appropriate, on the range. The matter will then be referred to a full committee meeting for their consideration and ruling.
13. In the event that a member or visitor accumulates three safety violations, that person will be required to appear before a full committee meeting wherein their membership status maybe reviewed.

GENERAL

1. Members, visitors, range staff and spectators must all wear adequate ear, eye and foot protection while on any of the ranges.
2. You are not entitled to purchase or carry a handgun until you have been granted a "B" Endorsement.
3. Probationary membership and full membership are two quite distinct classes. A probationary member does not become a full member of the Whangarei Pistol Club until his/her "B" endorsement has been approved by the committee. Please note that this is not an automatic procedure.
4. Prior to the committee recommending a "B" endorsement you must have attended an induction course, the basic training program and passed the NPZ club safety test. These courses are an introduction to pistol shooting which looks at all aspects of the sport. You must also have participated in no less than twelve recorded shoots during your first six months of membership.
5. On completion of the six months probationary membership, providing you have meet the attendance and training criteria, you may approach the club secretary requesting that an application for "B" endorsement be lodged. This is not an automatic committee procedure.

6. Once you have been granted a “B” endorsement you must abide by the Firearms Act which requires you to attend and shoot no less than twelve activity shoots within any twelve month interval. Failure to do so may result in your license being revoked by the Police.
7. Members may only apply for their Holster Qualification once they have had their “B” endorsement approved by the committee. Suitability for this course is granted by the Whangarei Pistol Club Training Officer. It is prerequisite for members to have shot Tyro action matches before applying.
8. Excessive loads shall not be used, they are a direct breach of the noise control regulations imposed on our club by the local council. Jacket ammunition may not be used when shooting steel targets of any sort.
9. “B” category firearms ie: pistols and .22 Rifles may be fired on the range. Larger calibre rifles and shotguns are prohibited.
10. When using the kitchen facilities please clean up afterwards.
11. All members have a responsibility to ensure that our facilities and equipment are maintained in good condition. Please be prepared and willing to attend working bees.
12. All members must notify the Secretary via email of change of address and Firearms License renewals. These are requirements as per the Firearms Act.
13. In the event that you require first aid of a minor nature, there is a first aid kit in the clubrooms.
14. In the event of a serious injury ie: gunshot wound, we have been advised that it is imperative that you pad the wound to minimize blood loss and transport the patient to the Whangarei Hospital located opposite the Whangarei Pistol Club. All gunshot wounds will be reported to the Police. A report of the incident must be lodged with the Secretary of the Club.

NEW MEMBERS PROBATIONARY PERIOD

A minimum of 6 months before applying for a “B” endorsement.

The following is an outline of the stages a probationary member goes through during the first 6 months at the club. Members should complete each of the stages.

1. Interested member attends the club 3 times before deciding to join.
2. Prospective members are to already hold a current firearms license or prove to the club that they have commenced and paid for the application to apply for a firearms license.
3. Interested member applies for Application to Join the WPC.
4. Interested member files completed application to the Secretary.
5. Completed application goes to the monthly committee meeting for approval or declining.
6. Member is advised of the outcome. Member will then receive an invoice for payment to the WPC if they have been accepted.
7. Secretary will advise Pistol New Zealand of the new member and Club & Ranges. Pistol New Zealand will issue a members number. This number is for life.
8. New member will be now have a status of being a probationary member. They will be issued with an I.D badge.
9. There are two intakes per year for new members. January and July. New members to visit club 3 times before these dates.
10. Training Officer will contact probationary member to start the training course.

The following criteria must be met before an application for a “B” endorsement is submitted to the committee.

1. The applicant is a current financial probationary member.
2. The probationary member has attended the required training courses.
3. The probationary member has completed no less than 12 recorded activity shoots in the first 6 months.
4. Completed and passed NZPA Club Range Officers Test.

Obtain an application form for “B” endorsement from the local police arms office.

Probationary member completes this form and sends it to the Secretary.

The application for “B” endorsement goes before the club committee.

The application for “B” endorsement is approved or declined, then forwarded to NZPA.

Approved probationary members become full members of the Whangarei Pistol Club.

The member receives application form back from NZPA with their endorsement.

The member may now make formal application to the Police for “B” endorsement.

The Police handle the application and deal directly with the member.

To **maintain** your “B” endorsement, members must:

1. Be a current financial member of a recognized pistol club.
2. Must shoot 12 activity shoots per 12 month period.
3. Abide by the police requirements and club rules and regulations.

Failure to comply with these conditions may result in your “B” endorsement being revoked and could require all handguns on your license to be surrendered.

RANGE STANDING ORDERS

SAFETY MUST be your prime consideration when using the Whangarei Pistol Club Ranges!

All persons not involved in the match being shot are to remain at least 1 metre behind the shooting line or starting position (except for training or instruction purposes) and must remain quiet so as not to interfere with the giving of instructions by any Range Officer (RO).

1) Introduction

- a) This document has been raised pursuant to the requirement of Range Approval as vested in the Commissioner of Police and delegated by him to appointed Range Inspectors of Pistol NZ.
- b) These orders are applicable to ALL PERSONS who enter the property administered by the Whangarei Pistol Club. These orders are to be promulgated to all Whangarei Pistol Club members and all other user organizations. A copy of the Range Standing Orders must be displayed on the Club Notice Board.
- c) Every person who enters the Whangarei Pistol Club complex is to sign the register upon arrival. Visitors are to be directed to where copies of these Range Standing Orders are available to be read.

2) General

- a) The Whangarei Pistol Club Inc is responsible for the control and maintenance of the Whangarei Pistol Club Ranges. All users of the range are to read these Orders in conjunction with the above references.

3) Range Safety

- a) Safety on the range is the responsibility of **ALL** range users.
- b) The range officer is responsible for ensuring that the range is safe prior to use.
- c) That the bullet catchers are in good repair.
- d) That the targets to be used are approved for use on the range.
- e) Ammunition restrictions are adhered to.
- f) That there is no conflicting/other activity in the area.
- g) That all range users wear hearing and eye protection.
- h) That ALL range restrictions listed herein are adhered to.

4) Location

The Range Complex is situated at 202A Maunu Rd, Te Mai, Whangarei.
The legal description being Lot 4 DP 160189 NA96B/381.

All ranges are certified as a **No Danger Area Range (NDA)**

The complex comprises of 6 standard out **No Danger Area** ranges and a 10 metre indoor **No Danger Area** Air Gun Range.

Range 1. 10m Indoor. No Danger Area Range

Restrictions:

- i) Air Pistols up to and including .177 calibre
- ii) Air Rifles up to and including .177 calibre
- iii) Down Range Shooting Only

Range 2. 50m Outdoor. No Danger Area Range

Restrictions:

- i) Pistols up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- ii) Pistol Carbines up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- iv) Rifles up to and including .22LR with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.

- v) Down Range Shooting Only

Range 3. 35m Outdoor. No Danger Area Range

Restrictions:

- i) Pistols up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- ii) Pistol Carbines up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- iii) Rifles up to and including .22LR with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- iv) Down range shooting only.

Range 4. 25m Outdoor. No Danger Area Range

Restrictions:

- i) Pistols up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- ii) Pistol Carbines up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- iii) Rifles up to and including .22LR with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- iv) Down range shooting only.

Range 5. 35m Outdoor. No Danger Area Range

Restrictions:

- i) Pistols up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- ii) Pistol Carbines up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- iii) Rifles up to and including .22LR with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- iv) Down range shooting only.

Range 6. 65m Outdoor. No Danger Area Range

Restrictions:

- i) Pistols up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- ii) Pistol Carabines up to and including .45 calibre with a muzzle velocity no greater than 1600fps.
- iii) Rifles up to and including 308/7.62mm with a muzzle velocity energy no greater than 3800 ft-lb (5125 J)
- iv) Brugger & Thomet GL06 40mm less than lethal launcher.
- v) Down range shooting only.

Range 6 Conditions of Use

- i) **ISSF** turning targets may be placed at the **25 metre** line from the covered firing point. These must be positioned a **minimum of 2 metres off the left-hand side wall. Targets are to be at 1400mm centres off the floor of the range.** The lower section of the turning targets is to have a timber facing **50mm thick to cover the steel frame.**
- ii) Rifles up to and including 308/7362mm and the Brugger & Thomet launcher are for Police use only.

Important Notice

All range users are to ensure that in the interest of safety, targets are placed as close as possible to the backstop/bullet catcher in an effort to reduce the possibility of ricochets.

No targets are to be placed on the floor of the range at any distance unless they have a moveable bullet catcher behind them or placed at a height that missed rounds will be caught by the bullet catcher at the fixed target line.

No Firearms that are held on a “C” category license maybe used on these ranges.

No Firearms that have alterations that render them unsafe or illegal maybe used on these ranges.

Steel targets to be engaged at a minimum distance of 7 meters.

Only targets approved by the Whangarei Pistol Club Committee maybe used on these ranges.

6) Priority of Use.

The following is the order of priority for the use of the Whangarei Pistol Club range. No other individual may use the range unless on of the following.

1. Whangarei Pistol Club Members.
2. Visitors involved in Club sanctioned events.
3. Visitors accompanied by a Whangarei Pistol Club Member.
4. Others given permission by the Whangarei Pistol Club President/Committee.

Note: The range is not to be allocated for use by non-members or non-affiliated organizations without the express written authority of the President or Vice President of the Whangarei Pistol Club.

7) Red Flags and Signs.

The Red Range Flag must be flown on the flagpole at the following location prior to commencement of any live firing.

- 1) At the gate entering the property.
- 2) Flagpole located in carpark.

8) Appointments.

The following persons will be required at any live shoot.

- 1) A qualified Range Officer
- 2) Any other Safety Officer as required by the rules of the match being fired.

9) Air Danger Height.

If an aircraft is observed to approach the club complex whilst live firing is taking place the Duty Range Officer MUST immediately call for a "Cease Fire" until the aircraft has left the area.

10) Safety Rules.

THE FOLLOWING RULES ARE EMPHASISED

- 1) Not withstanding any other rules/orders, it is the responsibility of ALL shooters and spectators to act in a manner to ensure the safety of ALL users of the range complex.
- 2) The Range Officer shall be responsible for the observance of these Standing Orders and for the reporting of any breach to the Club Committee immediately.
- 3) When the range is in use it shall at all times be under the control of the Range Officer whose authority is absolute and all persons present shall act under their directions.
- 4) No shooting shall take place without the appointment of a qualified Range Officer.
- 5) All loaded firearms are to be pointed down range at all times. NO EXCEPTIONS!
- 6) Nor firearms or ammunition to be left unattended.
- 7) No firearms are to be handles without the owners consent.
- 8) No firearms are to be loaded without the Range Officers permission.
- 9) No firearm maybe carried loaded unless under the direction of the Range Officer.

- 10) All shooters without the necessary license for the firearm being used MUST be under the direct control of a qualified person (one on one).
- 11) No firearm is to be removed from the firing line until checked as being clear by the Range Officer.
- 12) EVERYONE on these Ranges are required to wear eye and hearing protection at all times.
- 13) Where Safe Handling Zone has been established, firearms may be cleaned, repaired, checked or handled. NO AMMUNITION, INCLUDING DUMMY ROUNDS ARE TO BE HANDLED IN THIS AREA.
- 14) No person under the influence of alcohol or drugs may use or handle a firearm anywhere on the range complex.
- 15) All ranges are smoke free areas.

11) Application of Range Instructions.

All users of the Whangarei Pistol Club range are subject to these Standing Orders. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS!

Those permitted to use these facilities will have their use approval revoked if they do not adhere to these Range Standing Orders.

It is the responsibility of all users to be familiar with these Range Standing Orders.

12) Individual Discipline Safety Rules.

Individual Safety Rules for each discipline are to be complied with in conjunction with existing rules for the operation of the ranges of the Whangarei Pistol Club.

13) Steel Plate Targets.

Only approved and certified steel plate targets maybe used.

All steel plate targets must be approved by the Club Safety Officer prior to use.

All steel plate targets to be provided with an approved system to control ricochets and splatter.

14) Ammunition Restrictions.

The following ammunition MUST NOT be used on any range administered by the Whangarei Pistol Club and as certified by Pistol NZ.

Tracer Ammunition, Incendiary Ammunition, Armour Piercing Ammunition, Explosive Ammunition, Fragmentation Ammunition.

15) Inability to Contain Shots Within Cone of Fire.

If for any reason any shots fired fall outside the Cone of Fire the following procedure to occur:

The Range Office is to:

- i) Halt all firing and identify the shooter responsible.
- ii) Observe that shooters next shot and if it falls outside the Cone of Fire, the shooter is to be provided with a suitable coach with the intention of bringing the spread of the next five shots to within the Cone of Fire.
- iii) Shooters who are unable to achieve the Cone of Fire within the five shots are to be prevented from further firing. Shooters prevented from firing in this way may resume firing following the completion of a club approved training program with the firearm.

16) Emergency Procedures.

In the event of a general emergency all person within the complex are to assemble in the carpark immediately.

NOTE: All firearms safety procedures are to be completed prior to leaving the ranges for the assembly point.

17) Accident Procedures.

In the event of an accident the following procedure is to occur.

- a) Cease all firing and make safe all firearms except those involved in an accident (see d.)
- b) Render First Aid – if necessary/possible evacuate the person to medical facility – Whangarei Hospital.
- c) Seal off the area.
- d) Make no attempt to remove or strip the firearm.
- e) Advise the police.
- f) Advise the Club President.
- g) Club President to interview, gather facts and write up a statement of the accident.
- h) Advise the Administration Officer of Pistol NZ.

It is important that all range users are aware of this section and fully comply with it in the event of an accident involving a firearm.

18) Medical.

First Aid Kit is available in the Clubrooms.

For serious injuries ring 111.

19) Fire Precautions.

All precautions are taken to reduce the possibility of fire in buildings and surrounding grounds.

No fires are to be lit without prior Committee and local authority approval.

20) Range Clearance.

- a) All users are to ensure that all range rubbish, including targets, ammunition boxes etc are removed from the range complex at the end of the event.

- b) All reusable targets are placed in the Clubrooms for repatching.
- c) Upon completion of the days shooting the Red Range Flag at the gate is to be lowered and stored.
- d) All Ranges left in a tidy condition.
- e) Any damage is to be reported to the Whangarei Pistol Club Committee.

21) Hours of Operation.

There are six Club days per week. Refer to Club Calendar.

Start of Daylight Savings:

End of September to April - Shooting times are 10:00am – 5:30pm.

May to September – Shooting times 10:00am – 4:30pm

NO SHOOTING OUTSIDE OF THESE HOURS. DOING SO COULD CLOSE THE CLUB.

22) Unauthorized Use of Range Complex.

- a) Any individual or organization given use of the range complex will have been provided with prior written authority by the Club. Any individual or organization unable to provide this approval MUST BE ASKED TO VACATE THE PROPERTY IMMEDIATELY.
- b) Any refusal to leave is to be reported to the Police immediately.
- c) Any unauthorized use of the range complex is to be reported to the Club President immediately.

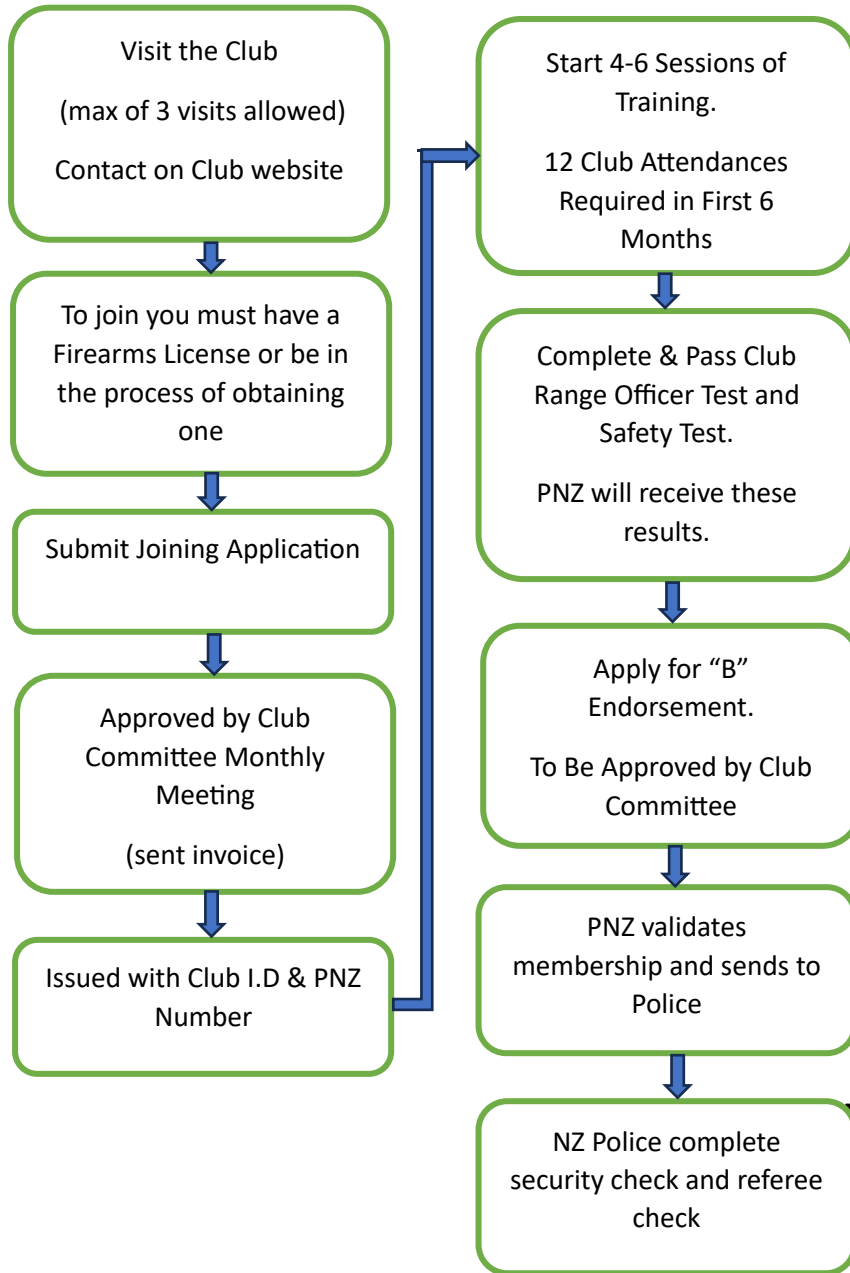
23) Domestic Animals

Domestic animals are allowed on the complex with the approval of the Club President and must remain on a leash at all times.

24) Children.

All children are to be under the direct supervision of an adult at all times.

TRAINING OVERVIEW
January & July Training Courses



PNZ RANGE OFFICER TEST & SAFETY TEST

Before applying for your “B” endorsement, new probationary members must sit and pass the NZPA Range Officer and Safety Test.

These are a 20 question multi choice test and consists of the knowledge from the Club Rules & Regulations and Club Range Standing Orders, things you will have learnt from shooting as well as general questions on gun safety.

APPLYING FOR YOUR B ENDORSEMENT

Once a new probationary member has completed the mandatory six month probationary period, an application maybe made to the Whangarei Pistol Club seeking approval for a “B” endorsed firearms license.

Below is a checklist of things you need before you apply to the committee for your “B” endorsement.

“B” Endorsement Checklist

- Be a current financial member of a recognized pistol club.
- Hold a current New Zealand Firearms License.
- Have been a probationary member of the club for no less than six months.
- Attended the WPC Training Courses.
- Completed 12 recorded shoots during your probationary period.
- Sat and passed the NZPA Range Officer Test and Safety Test.
- Have an application form from the Police for “B” endorsement.

HOLSTER COURSE

Before a shooter is allowed to draw a loaded gun from a Holster they must pass the Holster Training Course.

The Holster training course is available to members who have completed their "B" endorsement and have their own holster gear and gun.

Please make sure the holster gear you have is suitable for the discipline you wish to shoot in. If you are unsure, please ask.

WHATS NEXT

Now that you have completed your training program and obtained your "B" endorsement you are free to enjoy any of the disciplines shot at the Whangarei Pistol Club!

ISSF

Overview

ISSF (International Shooting Sport Federation) is a precision shooting event which is currently shot at the Olympic and Commonwealth games. It is shot using .177cal, .22cal and .32cal pistols at a distance of between 10m and 50m.

ISSF appeals to the precision shooter who enjoys accuracy, timing and mental discipline.

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ACTION PISTOL

Overview

Action Pistol, sometimes referred to as NRA, consists of a set of matches which test the shooters timing and accuracy. There are 4 main events consisting of Practical, Barricade, Falling Plates and Mover. Action Pistol Matches predominately use 9mm and above but can also be shot with a .22cal.

Action Pistol will appeal to the shooter who enjoys accuracy, timing and mental discipline combined with the skills of drawing the gun, going prone and engaging reactive targets.

Holsters may be worn but a loaded gun may not be drawn unless holster qualified.

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IPSC

IPSC (International Practical Shooting Confederation) is probably one of the most challenging of the disciplines. Shooters require not only speed and accuracy but the ability to assess stages quickly. Unlike the other disciplines, IPSC shooting courses are unique. A shooter may go through their entire shooting career and never shoot the same stage twice.

IPSC shooting will appeal to the shooter who enjoys speed, accuracy and problem solving – applying a variety of skills depending on the stage.

Holsters may be worn but a loaded gun may not be drawn unless holster qualified.

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Speed Steel

Speed Steel is also a challenging discipline. It involves shooting arrays of steel targets while timed. The shooter finishes the string by hitting a designated stop plate. Each string is timed so the faster a competitor can hit each of the steel plate targets on the stage, the better. The only penalty for missing a target is a time penalty. This means you can fire as many make up shots as needed to hit each target without a penalty.

Holsters may be worn but a loaded gun may not be drawn unless holster qualified.

Speed Steel will appeal to a shooter who wants to achieve that discipline of speed and accuracy.

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Service Pistol

Service Pistol is a challenging centrefire match testing marksmanship and a variety of shooting skills. There is WA1500, 150 shots fired or WA900, 90 shots fired over a course that requires standing, prone, kneeling, left and right from a barricade side. All courses of fire are time. Distances are from 10 metre up to 50 metre.

Holsters may be worn but a loaded gun may not be drawn unless holster qualified.

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