

COMMON SENSE RANGE SAFETY REMINDERS (handout)

Always keep in mind, RCWA is just one round leaving the range from being shut down. If one round leaves RCWA property and hits someone or someone's property is damaged, the range will face legal action and could be shut down. So make sure you keep all shooting inside of the berms you are using. This is critical to the range continuing to operate.

Always point the muzzle of your firearm safely at the berm when loading and unloading your firearm. If you are shooting a pistol, rifle or shotgun and your magazine is empty or you are finished firing:

- 1) keep the muzzle pointed toward the berm
- 2) make sure the bolt or slide is locked back or open (if applicable); or the cylinder is open on a revolver
(Examples: Bolt action rifle; semi-auto pistol, rifle or shotgun; pump shotgun; rifle with a tubular magazine; revolver; & others)
- 3) verify the chamber is empty - clear the chamber if necessary
- 4) make sure your weapon is unloaded of any remaining ammo - take out your magazine (if applicable) or empty your built-in magazine (bolt action & 22LR tube fed 22's) or make sure your revolver is unloaded
- 5) you may then proceed away from the target line toward the shelter or your table

SAFETY:

- 1) No one is to touch any weapon while people are down range.
- 2) All weapons are to be unloaded and all actions open prior to anyone going down range.

Remember:

Rule 1: Treat all guns as if they are always loaded.

Rule 2: Never point your gun at anything you are not willing to destroy.

Rule 3: Keep your finger off the trigger and out of the trigger guard until you have made the decision to shoot.

Rule 4: Know your target and what's behind it.