

Lee County Wildlife Club

- Membership, Target Range Rules, Limited Guest Policy, and Target Range Closings

If you are interested in applying for membership at the LCWC read this information to ensure that you understand what membership is about, the basic club target range rules, the club's Limited Guest Policy, and Target Range Closings.

What is Membership?

- As a LCWC **BADGED** member you, your spouse, and dependent children under age 18 can enjoy outdoor and wildlife related activities.
- When you join the club and attend a LCWC Orientation, you will receive a membership **BADGE**, which you must wear at all times when on club property.
- If your spouse wants to use the club as a member rather than as your family member guest, he/she must also attend the LCWC Orientation, after which your spouse will also receive a membership **BADGE**.
- A **BADGED** member must always accompany their **non-badged** spouse and dependent children under age 18, who are your family member guests. You may bring your **non-badged** family members to the club as often as you wish.
- Children under age 18 cannot get their own **BADGE**. Children over 18 must obtain their own membership.
- Having a membership **BADGE** is important with regards to the “**ONE BADGE-ONE FIREARM RULE**” which is explained below.

Target Range Rules

- Wear eye and hearing protection at all times at target ranges.
- Sign in and out at the mailbox when you arrive or leave each range.
- If more than one person is at a target range, one person must act as the Range Officer (RO), who will issue range commands and inspect firearms (see below).
- If you are alone at a range, you are the RO and club rules must be followed.
- **ONE BADGE-ONE FIREARM RULE:** One firearm is allowed on the firing line at a time for each badged person. This means that if you are a badged member you can have only one firearm out of your vehicle and at the firing line at a time.
 - If you have dependent children with you, there can only be one firearm on the bench at a time (i.e., not one for each person)
 - If you spouse is with you and he/she is not badged, you can only have one firearm on the firing line (i.e., not one for each of you) All other firearms must remain in your vehicle.
- The muzzle of your firearm must always be pointed downrange.
- Range operation rules are posted at both the upper and lower target ranges.
- If you observe an unsafe condition – call “**CEASE FIRE**” and make the situation safe.

Target Range Rules (continued)

- Use of the following as targets is not allowed:
 - Steel or metal targets or frames, or glass.
 - Hardened targets such as bowling pins.
 - Explosive targets.
- Fully automatic firearms, .50 caliber center fire or larger are **NOT** allowed to be fired on the ranges.
- At the lower range, target backer boards are fixed at 50 and 100 yards. No other target frames are permitted.
- At the upper range, movable target frames are provided.
- Every member must ensure that every fired round hits and is stopped by the berm.

Range Commands

When the RO calls the range cold

- You may **NOT** handle firearms, or bring them to or from your vehicle to the firing line when the range is cold.
- If you already have a firearm on a shooting bench and the range is called cold, make your firearm safe (remove the magazine, check to ensure that the chamber is empty, action is open and preferably flagged) and stand behind the red line.
- The RO will inspect firearms to ensure that they are safe, and...
- If so, state that it is safe to go downrange and hang or remove targets.
- After hanging or removing targets, return to the firing line and wait behind the red line until the RO calls the range hot.

When the RO Calls the Range Hot

If it is safe to do so you may:

- Bring **ONE, CASED** firearm to or from your vehicle to or from a shooting bench.
- Move an unloaded firearm from one bench to another.
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- Load and fire at targets if it is safe to do so.
- Maintain muzzle control with your firearm: Pointed downrange, never at anyone including when loading, unloading or handling a firearm.
- Remember, you must **NEVER** be downrange when range is hot.

LCWC OUTSIDE GUEST POLICY

LCWC has a **limited guest policy** to promote safety and ensure the facilities are more available for members. Guest privileges are typically used for members to bring a friend or adult family member who may be interested in joining the club and would like to try it out, or who is visiting from out of town. Other guest situations may be approved; discuss the specifics with one of the club officers.

- An **outside guest** is someone who is not a member of the club, and is not your spouse or dependent children under age 18.
 - Contact a club officer or board member to obtain permission to bring a guest.
 - If approved, your guest must sign a LCWC waiver and have it on file with the club.
 - Before bringing the guest to the club, you must familiarize your guest with the safety rules.
 - The guest must always be under your direct supervision.
 - When target shooting the **ONE BADGE-ONE FIREARM RULE** will apply, which means that you and your guest will share one firearm at a time since you are the only one who has a membership badge.
 - A member can bring an individual guest twice (2 times) during a calendar year.
 - A member is limited to one guest at a time, but exceptions may be granted for special circumstances. Ask a member of the leadership team.
- The Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) document goes into greater detail about LCWC. If you become a LCWC member you will be given a hard copy of the LCWC Range SOP at the end of your orientation. In joining the LCWC you commit to being responsible to meet all the policies within the SOP. If you join the LCWC you will be given access to the Member Resources information on the club web site. You are encouraged to review the information located therein to better familiarize you and your family with the club rules, ethics, culture and it will help ensure that you and your family enjoy membership in the club.

Target Range Closings

Target ranges are closed to members from time to time when special events are hosted for Boy Scouts, Ladies League, etc. Also, LCWC hosts the Youth Hunter Skills Program (YHSP) for Lee County Schools. As a result, **the upper target range (40 yard berm), shotgun range, and archery range are closed to members most Sundays from December through the third week of April.** The lower range (100 and 50 yard berms) remains open during this time. Members are asked to always check the club calendar on the website before traveling to the range to be sure ranges are open.

I have read and understand this document:

Signature

Date

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