

Welcome to the San Angelo Gun Club, Inc. (SAGC).

All members must attend this annual orientation class and complete a Membership Agreement every year before being granted unrestricted SAGC access for that membership year. The purpose of this class is to reinforce basic range protocols; safety items; and changes that have occurred or are in progress. Failure to follow the instructions in this Orientation may result in membership suspension or permanent revocation.

San Angelo Gun Club Membership

SAGC is a private club, owned and operated by the Membership.

As a non-profit 501c7 organization, SAGC relies heavily on volunteer efforts from its Members, Officers, and the Range Committee.

Remember, there are no paid employees within the SAGC.

This is Your Club

It takes more than just paying a membership fee to make this club succeed and be used to its maximum potential. Where possible, all work is done by volunteers (our members), such as picking up and emptying trash, range maintenance, construction and conducting matches, etc. Our members work hard to maintain a facility that offers a wide range of shooting experiences at a minimum cost to the members.

Get involved; volunteer your special skills, ideas and services. Some opportunities for volunteering may be posted to the website or communicated through email. Your help is needed.

4 Safety Rules

We will be referring to 4 Basic Safety rules throughout the Orientation. Most firearm accidents occur due to failure of individuals to follow at least one of them.

- 1. Treat all firearms as if they are always loaded!**
- 2. Never point the muzzle at something you don't want to shoot!**
- 3. Always be sure of your target and what is behind it!**
- 4. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on the target!**

Additional Safety Rules while on SAGC property.

1. Never shoot or handle your firearm when anyone is forward of the firing line in your Range or Bay. Step back from the firing line/firearm while anyone is forward of the firing line.
2. Never intentionally point the muzzle of a loaded firearm above the dirt in the Berms on any Range or Bay.

The only exception to this rule are for aerial clay birds shot with 7 ½ or smaller size birdshot on the Shotgun Range or under RO supervision in the Action Area.

Personal Responsibility As a Member (Club Property):

You are ultimately responsible for the safety and behavior of yourself, your family and any guests that you may bring to the club.

You are responsible for assuring that the firearms that you, your family and guests bring to the club are both safe and legal.

You are also responsible for any actions that may impact the safety of others on and around the club.

15 MPH Speed Limit

Maintain a 15 mph speed limit on the access road and on club property. Be a good neighbor and help to keep the dust down.

Eye and Ear Protection Required

Members and their guests are required to wear eye and ear protection on SAGC property when any shooting activity is in progress. Even though you may not be shooting, fragments can come your way at high speed and without warning.

Gate Entry/Exit

Hold Your Keycard touching the keypad for 5 seconds.

Hold – do not swipe.

If gate does not open after a minute or so, rescan the keycard by touching the keypad again.

If after trying several times to enter or exit, then call a Club Officer for assistance.

Also check if you passed the annual renewal date on your Membership ID without renewing.

Legal Firearms Only

Firearms falling under National Firearms Act (NFA) rules must have current documentation available on demand, while on SAGC property. The use of non-registered National Firearms Act firearms on SAGC property is specifically disallowed.

Guests

Members may bring a reasonable number of guests to the club. The member who brings a guest must be in direct supervision of that guest at all times and is responsible for the guest's actions.

If a guest who resides in the Concho Valley area uses the facility more than a couple of times a year encourage them to join the Club. Membership fees are the primary source of funds to maintain our Club as well as future improvements.

USE OF INTOXICATING BEVERAGES OR BEHAVIOR MODIFYING DRUGS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON CLUB PROPERTY.

Concealed Carry is OK

Open carry is NOT allowed except when ready to fire on a specific range or bay. A law enforcement officer may keep his firearm holstered and loaded. All others who are open carrying must follow cold range rules and have the firearm unloaded with no magazines inserted or live rounds in the chamber.

If you are planning to practice with your firearm, whether concealed or open carry, go to a bay, range, or designated unload area as soon as you can, safely face downrange, and unload your firearm. Once your firearm is unloaded, it falls under the cold range rule until you safely place it back into legal carry status and leave gun club property.

Targets

PLACE TARGETS AS CLOSE TO THE BERM AS POSSIBLE. In order to minimize the possibility of ricochets, only shoot at targets so your bullet will impact vertical dirt in a berm or a designated bullet trap.

Do not place any objects on top of the protective timber or the target holders such as clay birds, cans, glass, etc.

Do not use anything as a target that can produce sharp shards, could roll over the berm, down on the ground or could cause harmful effects.

Examples of targets that are not allowed are glass, ground bouncing targets, golf balls, softballs, bowling balls, rolling targets, TV's, computers, printers, etc.

You can easily construct a similar target backer as found on the range, at home, to bring with you to the range. Using an 8 foot furring strip, cutting it in half so that you have two four foot pieces and attach cardboard to them, to use in case there are none available when you arrive at the range.

The width of the cardboard should be about twenty four inches.

Family Membership

SAGC Memberships are considered family memberships, with one fee, one provided keycard, and one vote per membership. If your spouse or dependent (between the ages of 18 to 21 years of age) living in the same household, wants to come to the range without you, they must first fill out a Membership Agreement and attend an Orientation class. They can use your access method or they can purchase their own. A **MAXIMUM** of 2 access methods can be held by a family.

A dependent 21 years of age or older must obtain their own membership.

Members will only loan their keycard to an adult family member who has completed the current SAGC orientation, signed the Membership Agreement and has received a Membership ID card.

Except for approved and scheduled events that invite non-members, **EVERYONE THAT COMES TO THE RANGE** (*unless escorted by a fully qualified member*) **MUST HAVE**

COMPLETED A MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT AND ORIENTATION CLASS. No person under 18 years of age will be permitted on the range unless accompanied by an adult member or qualified Instructor.

You must have your Membership ID displayed on your person when you are on SAGC property.

Steel Targets

Steel targets should be of sufficient hardness and thickness that rounds do not penetrate, dent or chip the target. The steel target shall be hung or mounted so that they have a 15 to 20 degree angle to direct bullet impact or splash towards the ground. Steel targets shall not be placed more than 3 feet from any berm except in RO supervised use. Targets shall be placed at a height that if missed, the bullet will always impact the berm.

Action Area Pistol Caliber/Rimfire Steel Targets

Steel targets shall be placed at the BACK berm of the bay and away from the target holder/protective timber as not to cause damage to the wood. Do NOT place steel targets on or near wood target holders/protective timber.

Shooters should never move so far forward that they are shooting at an angle that will direct ricochets toward the opening in any bay.

Centerfire Rifle Steel Targets

All centerfire rifle targets should be of AR500 grade or higher. Centerfire RIFLE targets shall only be used in bays/ranges 100yds or longer, shot from a safe distance, and must be placed so that a berm is immediately behind the steel target. Do NOT place steel targets on or near wood target holder/protective timber.

Club Owned Steel Targets and Rifle Use

Do NOT move club owned steel targets from the Precision ranges or the Action Area bays. You may shoot rifles at club owned steel targets installed for general use in the Precision ranges A and B. Ensure you are not using armor-piercing rounds. If you have a rifle capable of destroying our steel, bring your own targets. Do NOT shoot rifles at club owned steel targets elsewhere except in restricted use applications such as matches under RO supervision.

Shotgun Range

ONLY USE SHOTGUNS WITH 7 ½ OR SMALLER BIRDSHOT ON THE SHOTGUN RANGE. No other firearm type is allowed, please report anyone using something other than a shotgun on the shotgun range.

SHOTGUNS WITH AMMO OTHER THAN 7 ½ BIRDSHOT MUST BE SHOT IN THE ACTION AREA in Bays 6, 7, 8 or 9. Bring your own targets and target supports. Do NOT shoot Shotguns at the provided target supports as you can easily destroy the wood and/or the target backers.

NO armor piercing or tracer / incendiary rounds will be fired on the range.

Explosive targets such as **Tannerite** are currently NOT allowed. You may use Phosphorescent coated ammo such as "Streak Visual Ammunition™" as it is not incendiary.

Cold Range

SAGC operates as a cold range. All firearms must be empty except when a shooting activity on a bay/range firing line is ready to be safely started. Be sure your firearms are unloaded when leaving a bay/range.

Be Friendly

Assist others and kindly advise them if you see them violating rules or using unsafe actions. Most times they are not aware of such an action.

Follow the rules; cleanup after yourself and remove your spent targets and any damaged target holders in your bay. Empty trash cans before they become full, try to leave your area in better shape than it was when you arrived.

In Case of Emergency

There is no phone at the range. Members should CALL 911 FROM A CELL PHONE. The physical address of SAGC is 2827 Winger Road (Private Road) off RM Hwy 853. If an ambulance is required, someone must open the gate for the responding emergency vehicle. In the event of an emergency requiring such assistance, after the situation is stable please contact an SAGC officer with the specifics of the event. Phone numbers are posted on the inside of the EXIT gate and on the East side of the Orientation Building.

Specific Range Use

Precision Ranges – Ranges designated with letters (A, B, C). These are for rifle use with the only exception being Range C (Silhouette Range). You may use Target Pistols such as the Thompson Center on Range C. **NO HANGUNS ALLOWED** on the other Precision Ranges.

Action Area – Bays designated with numbers (1, 2, 3, etc.).

- Bay 1 is designated for License to Carry classes or SAGC approved and scheduled events with RO supervision.
- The use of full automatic firearms is **ONLY** allowed on Bays 6 and 7.
- Handguns, rifles, and shotguns may be used in the Action Area Bays 6, 7, 8 or 9.
- Bays 6 and 7 no clay targets allowed on berms or wood target holders.
- Bays facing East or West, Pistol Caliber only – No Rifle Calibers.

Action Area - Bay 6

Bay 6 in the action area was designed as a bench rest range intended primarily for firing at targets from a sitting position from the bench.

There are three rows of target holders with no intermediate berms behind the holders.

They are at twenty five yards, fifty yards and fifty meters.

If you wish to stand and shoot at this range, only place your target backer on the fifty yard or fifty meter position and then walk back toward the bay cover, for the distance you wish to shoot from.

Do not place targets at the 25 yard target holder, as your rounds can damage the target holder at the fifty yards and fifty meters.

Clay birds are not allowed on Bay 6.

Pistol Bays Only - Bays designated with a "C" + a number (C1, C2, etc.) As the name implies, handguns ONLY are to be used on these ranges. All firing is to be done straight downrange ONLY. The side berms are not suitable to receive direct fire. NO RIFLES or SHOTGUNS !

Red Brass Boxes

Place any unwanted brass and unfired rounds in the red brass boxes positioned around the facility. The brass from these boxes will be processed, sold, and the proceeds used for young people's activities.

Nighttime shooting on SAGC property

Use South Facing Bays or Ranges Only.

All Shooting on Range.

30 minutes after Sunset.

Until 30 minutes before Sunrise.

MUST be SHOT to the **SOUTH**.

Bays 6. 7. 8 or 9. and/or Rifle Ranges A. B or C.

Instructors

SAGC members who desire to use SAGC facilities for personal financial benefit as an instructor must complete the Online Instructors Orientation and fulfill all its requirements.

Lost or Found Items

Lost or found items should be reported to an Officer along with sufficient information to connect the owner with the finder.

NO Politics

No political signs, political related graffiti, or targets depicting political figures are to be posted or used on gun club property. Old political signs may be used as target supports.

Monthly Club Business Meeting

Monthly Club Business Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month (except December) at 7:00pm. Check the Club Calendar for updates or changes in locations.

Be safe and enjoy your visits to the Range!