

# PASA PARK DO'S AND DON'TS!

READ AND COMMIT TO MEMORY

**RULE #1: BE SAFE!! BE SAFE!! BE SAFE!! BE SAFE!!**

**RULE #2: SIGN-IN AT AN ENTRANCE STATION UPON ARRIVAL.**

**RULE #3: BE COOPERATIVE AND COURTEOUS TO YOUR FELLOW MEMBERS.**

**RULE #4: LEAVE IT LOOKING BETTER THAN YOU FOUND IT!**

## WHAT YOU CAN SHOOT: WHERE, AND WHEN

There are 21 separate shooting venues at PASA Park. All of them, except for the Training Range and the Dark House (locations #10 and #14 on the PASA Park map), are open for use by PASA members at any time, unless another event or maintenance is being conducted.

To make sure a particular range venue will not be closed on any particular day, check the PASA website calendar ([www.pasapark.com/calendar](http://www.pasapark.com/calendar)), or email [pasainfo@pasapark.com](mailto:pasainfo@pasapark.com), or call PASA's Vice President/Administration at (217) 257-7199 to confirm in advance.

There are no prohibitions on the types and calibers of firearms that can be used at PASA Park.

**HOWEVER:** you may **NOT** use centerfire rifles on *any* of PASA's steel targets on any range. You may **NOT** use magnum-power handgun loads on any of PASA's steel handgun targets on any range. You may **NOT** use anything except .22 Long Rifle rimfire loads or airguns on the designated PASA rimfire target ranges (locations #5 and #13 on the PASA Park map). There are also certain legal requirements and range restrictions for use of Class III (full-auto) firearms at PASA Park. Prior arrangement and scheduling notification is required for Class III shooters. Firearms with Slide-Fire ("bump-fire") stocks **may not** be used on the 600-yard range.

Within these guidelines, you may bring and use your own targets, so long as you clean up after yourself, and **REMOVE ALL USED PAPER TARGETS** from the PASA Park target boards. **NOTE:** *There are special target restrictions for the 600-yard Range (see next page).*

PASA Park is open to members between the hours of sunup and sunset year-round. During those hours, if a range venue is not otherwise being used, you can shoot. Night shooting may only be done by advance scheduling.

**NOTE:** During the duration of the prime Illinois whitetail deer hunting season (approximately mid-October thru mid-December), overall PASA Park morning and afternoon hours are limited as a courtesy and safety measure in view of the large number of hunters afield on neighboring and adjacent properties. These hours are posted at all PASA Park entrances each year by the beginning of October, and displayed on the PASA website calendar.

If you are a PASA member, PASA Park is your back yard. Within common-sense limits, outlined in the following pages, it is yours to use just as freely as you use your *own* back yard. But we do have a PASA "Neighborhood Watch" program—and you're part of it!

**ONLY PASA MEMBERS MAY USE FIREARMS AT PASA PARK!**

# CARE AND FEEDING OF PASA PARK

## SPECIAL SAFETY RESTRICTIONS FOR THE 600-YARD RANGE:

You may shoot **only** from positions 1-4 on the 600-yard firing line. Shoot **only** into the Target Bunkers. **Do not** shoot at any personal targets of any kind (bottles of water, spoiled fruit, whatever) **unless** they are backed by a Target Bunker. Do **not** shoot the concrete blocks. Do **not** shoot rocks. Do **not** shoot the flagpoles. Do **not** shoot at any targets closer than the 100-yard Target Bunker. For targets closer than 100 yards you may use any other PASA Park range, but **NOT** the 600-yard Range.

## ON ALL RANGES:

**DO NOT USE CENTERFIRE RIFLES ON ANY STEEL TARGETS! DO NOT USE ANY CENTERFIRE FIREARMS ON ANY STEEL RIMFIRE TARGETS! DO NOT USE MAGNUM LOADS ON ANY STEEL HANDGUN TARGETS! ANYWHERE! EVER!!**

STEEL TARGETS ARE NOT BULLETPROOF. They are *very* expensive to replace or repair.

## DO NOT MOVE ANY STEEL-FRAME TARGET BOARDS.

There are steel-framed target boards set at measured distances on several ranges. **DO NOT MOVE THEM.** On ranges *other* than the 600-yard range, you may also set up your own targets at other distances. If you do, you must remove them and clean up all target residue when you are done.

## REMOVE YOUR PAPER TARGETS & CLEAN UP TRASH WHEN YOU LEAVE.

Everybody hates to clean up after themselves: **DO IT ANYWAY!** Take your used paper targets with you, or put them in a trashcan. If you leave paper targets on the boards, wind, dew, and rain will scatter them across the Park and generally make PASA look like a city dump. There are garbage barrels on all ranges. (PS: shot-to-pieces plastic bottles, aluminum cans, cantaloupes & watermelons, and cigarette butts are garbage, too.)

## PUT YOUR PAPER TARGETS IN THE CENTER OF THE BOARD.

Shooters like to put several paper targets on a target board. But a miss close to the edge of the board (not by you, of course) will butcher the steel frames (which costs about \$500 apiece to custom-make). Don't believe me? Just look at them. If the center of a target board gets shot to pieces, LET US KNOW! We have replacement boards on hand.

## DO NOT USE PASA EQUIPMENT THAT IS NOT ALREADY DOWNRANGE.

Various targets, frames, props, and other materials are stockpiled on different firing lines and other locations at the Park. These belong to PASA Divisions, or to other organizations that use PASA Park. Do **not** use or move to different locations under any circumstances without specific permission from the owner.

## DO NOT SHOOT RIMFIRE TARGET FLAGS!!

.22-rimfire steel targets have thin metal hit-indicator target flags which cover the target aperture when the target is hit! The hit-indicator flags are NOT targets! **DO NOT** shoot at the flags!!

## RULES ENFORCEMENT.

Any PASA member who is found to be violating these rules, or causing damage to the ranges and their facilities, will have his membership privileges suspended for 30 days, and he will be billed for repair or replacement of damaged equipment. A second violation will result in revocation of membership.

## IF THE PEOPLE BEFORE YOU LEFT A MESS; CLEAN IT UP!

### THE BOTTOM LINE:

**IF YOU MOVE OR RE-ARRANGE ANYTHING—PUT IT BACK WHERE YOU FOUND IT!**

**IF IT'S OUT OF PLACE WHEN YOU GET HERE—PUT IT WHERE IT BELONGS!**

**IF IT'S MESSY—CLEAN IT UP!**

**PASA PARK BELONGS TO YOU!**

# IRON-CLAD SAFETY STANDARDS

## PASA PARK IS A COLD RANGE!

1. **COLD RANGE RULES APPLY EVERYWHERE ON PASA PARK PROPERTY AT ALL TIMES.** All firearms must be unloaded and cased or holstered unless in a firing area, or designated dry-fire/safety area. **EXCEPTION:** *PASA Park recognizes Illinois concealed-carry licenses. However, all legally concealed and loaded firearms must remain holstered unless deployed in defense of life, and all the following rules apply.*

2. Firearms may not be handled, examined, or shown to other shooters anywhere on PASA Park property except while on a firing line or in a designated dry-fire/safety area.

3. The parking lots are **NOT** safe handling areas.

4. Violation of Cold Range Safety Rules will result in immediate disqualification from any event, expulsion from PASA property, and suspension of all PASA membership privileges for 30 days. No exceptions. **Two** strikes, and you're out for good.

## ON THE FIRING LINE—

1. Check that all other shooters and spectators are safely behind the firing line.

2. Keep your muzzle *always* pointing downrange.

3. Keep your finger *off* the trigger until you are ready to shoot.

4. Be sure of your target **and beyond**.

5. Eye and ear protection is mandatory on **ALL** firing ranges, at **ALL** times.

6. No "Horseplay" at any firing area.

## SAFETY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY.

If you see someone acting in an unsafe manner, politely remind that person of the proper procedure. Anyone who witnesses any unsafe act anywhere on PASA Park property is requested to inform PASA officials.

# GENERAL PARK RULES & ETIQUETTE

## ONLY PASA MEMBERS MAY USE FIREARMS!

PASA Park is **NOT** a public shooting facility. Non-shooting visitors and guests are welcome, but **only** PASA Members may use the firing ranges. When you see someone whom you do not know using a firing range, introduce yourself, ask if they're a member. If not, explain the members-only rule and direct them to the membership information station on the porch of the clubhouse. **Do not** let non-members shoot, even your family or friends. This is a basic safety/liability/insurance issue.

## RANGE COURTESY

1. Please cooperate and share the facilities when other members wish to use a specific range or firing point.

2. Get to know your fellow members. Introduce yourself. Offer to help.

3. Warn nearby members and spectators when you are ready to shoot, and remind them of the mandatory eye & ear protection rule. Eye and ear protection is highly recommended even when away from the firing line, when shooting is in progress.

## **PARKING**

Parking is allowed only in designated parking areas. DO NOT park on the grass lawns. DO NOT park along the main township roadway. It is a public right-of-way. (Wide farm machinery is common along this road; which can make for interesting marks on the side of your vehicle.)

## **ALCOHOL**

Alcohol is permitted on PASA property but your firearms must be put away for the day before you do any drinking. Once you have consumed any alcohol, you do not even touch a gun again at PASA Park for 12 hours. Period!

## **JUNIOR SHOOTERS**

PASA has no age restrictions. However, PASA does abide by state laws which require young shooters to be under the direct and immediate supervision of a legally responsible adult with a valid Illinois FOID card, until the age of eighteen (18). Junior shooters **MUST** be PASA Members (either as a Junior Member or as part of a Family Membership).

## **CHILDREN**

Children under the age of 16 must be under the direct supervision of a parent or guardian at all times. If they're not in your sight, they ain't being supervised. The parent or guardian is legally responsible for the child's safety and conduct.

## **PETS**

Pets are not recommended. If brought, all pets must be leashed at all times. Leashes are recommended for some children, as well.

## **PICNIC FACILITIES**

Picnic facilities are open for use of all members, guests, and visitors, at all times, except when scheduled events may be occupying the area.

## **CAMPING**

PASA has no specific campground areas or designated water/sewage/electrical hookups. Competitors and attendees at scheduled PASA events may use range parking areas for overnight stay in self-contained campers or RVs with prior notification.

## **S&W HALL**

Restrooms inside the entrance hallway of Smith & Wesson Hall are open for members and guests at all times. There is also a soda machine inside the entrance hallway. Information materials, catalogs, *etc.* on the tables inside the entrance hallway are free for the taking.

**SAFETY, COURTESY, AND CONSIDERATION ARE THE ESSENCE OF SHOOTING ETIQUETTE. AN ARMED SOCIETY IS A POLITE SOCIETY. TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WISH TO BE TREATED.**

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