

Chapter 5

Range Operations

1. **General.** Live firing conducted at the Palo Alto Gun Club (PAGC) is designed to provide PAGC members and guests access to a facility where they can become proficient with privately-owned firearms at their leisure.

2. **Facilities for Use.** Range availability is open to PAGC members for open shooting and scheduled shooting events and competitions. Portions of the range may be closed to open shooting during scheduled events and competitions. Open and competitive shooting is normally limited to the following ranges and equipment:

- a. Rifle and pistol range--Rifles smaller than .50 caliber centerfire; pistols any caliber. (No tracer or armor-piercing ammunition.)
- b. Trap and Skeet Range--Shotguns only. (Up to #7 shot; no slugs.)

3. **Hours of Operation and Scheduling.** The PAGC develops a special event live-fire schedule based on requests received. Updated schedules will be posted the first of each month on the bulletin board at the clubhouse. All range requests will be approved based on range availability. Hours of operation shall correspond with Palo Alto County Conservation Board's Sportsman Recreation Area hours open to the public. Information on range availability and scheduling is accessible by calling the PAGC RSO at 712-298-0882, PAGC president at 712-298-3240, or PACCB at 712-837-4688.

4. Range Layout and Limits

Spectator area--Located behind the ready line where visitors and range users may wait and observe activities. Bleachers are provided for shotgun range spectators. Non-participants are encouraged to remain behind cable barricades.

Ready area--Located behind the firing line where shooters may store and prepare their equipment.

Firing point--Shooters may occupy their firing points at the firing line when authorized to do so. Shooters should only handle firearms when authorized to do so.

Rifle Range Backstop--Located north downrange behind the target line. Firearms should point toward the backstop at all times. All firing should be directed forward from the shooters' firing points so projectiles impact within designated impact areas.

Trap and skeet ranges – downrange shooting areas are located south of each range and no one is allowed beyond the structures during usage.

Cleaning of firearms is authorized only away from the firing line. No ammunition is allowed in the cleaning area.