# Aurora Sportsmen's Club Rules and Tips for Visitors

# Welcome to Aurora Sportsmen's Club – General Info

- 1. In case of emergency, dial 911. ASC is served by the DeKalb County Sheriff Department and regional first responders.
- 2. All persons must obey state and federal laws regarding firearm/ammunition use, possession and transportation.
- 3. All persons must follow directives given by Range Officers (RSO) immediately and without argument.
- 4. No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs are allowed on the property. Intoxicated individuals may not operate machinery, vehicles, firearms or bows and will be asked to leave with no refund offered.
- 5. Visitors 18 and older must sign a Waiver of All Claims form. Parents/legal guardians of minors must sign a waiver form on behalf of children. All persons 18 years of age and older must be prepared to show valid, government-issued or student photo identification.
- 6. The speed limit on the grounds is 10 miles per hour, 5 mph or less on the range road.
- 7. Eye & Ear Protection are mandatory within 30 feet of shooting positions and elsewhere as posted.
- 8. Shotguns: When not being fired, uncased pump and semi-auto shotguns must be carried with the muzzle up never down toward the ground. Hinged guns must be carried broken open with the muzzles pointed forward and toward the ground. Snap caps are permitted but not required. Ammo pouches and shooting vests are recommended but not required. Carts are allowed. Shot shells must be target loads, 7 ½, 8 or 9, lead or steel in the Shotgun Sports areas. No more than two shells may be loaded in a shotgun at a time in the Shotgun Sports areas.
- 9. Rifles/Handguns: Muzzles may be pointed directly into the back berm, straight up or straight down never at an angle over the berm of any bay. All legal firearms and ammunition are permitted except: full auto, tracer ammunition, incendiaries, armor piercing and explosives. Targets are restricted per the current ASC Range Safety Rules. Shotguns are permitted on the rifle/pistol ranges with all loads but must be fired into the back berms.
- 10. Treat all firearms as if they are loaded. Always point muzzles in a safe direction whether loaded or not. Keep fingers out of the trigger guard until in position and ready to shoot. Be sure of your target and what is around it. Load only when in a shooting position.
- 11. If in the opinion of the instructor/range officer present any participant fires a round negligently or willfully performs an unsafe act, that participant will be disqualified from the event or activity and no refund will be given.
- 12. When not immediately in use, all uncased firearms must be unloaded and visibly safe with muzzles in safe direction and actions open (except that hinged guns may be closed when in a cart or rack.) On rifle/pistol ranges, chamber flags (empty chamber indicators) are required for all uncased firearms that are not being fired. Spent casings may not be used for this.
- 13. No loaded firearm may be passed from one shooter to another except by instructors/range officers. Uncased firearms may never be handled on a closed (cold) range.
- 14. Children who are handling firearms must be strong enough to safely operate them, skilled enough to properly aim every shot and mature enough to comply with Range Safety Rules. RSO/instructor decision shall be final. Minors under age 18 must be accompanied by adults.
- 15. Shooting hours are: 8:00 a.m. until 30 minutes after legal sunset Mon-Sat and until legal sunset on Sunday.
- 16. Lawful Concealed Carry License holders may carry concealed on ASC property.
- 17. If the event includes a mandatory safety briefing, only those participants who are present for the briefing will be allowed to handle firearms.

# Gear and Dress:

Although there are restrooms there is no running water in the range area. Wear a hat with a brim, closed-toe shoes and shirts/jackets/vests that will not interfere with shouldering a firearm (long gun.) Tank tops, shirts with low necklines and spaghetti straps are not recommended. Unless specifically offered as part of the package, attendees should bring drinking water, sunscreen and bug spray.

Some packages may include loaner firearms and ammunition on request. ASC does not otherwise rent firearms or sell ammunition. Firearms and ammunition brought by participants must be safe to use and are subject to inspection by the RSO on site. The RSO may discontinue the use of reloaded ammunition on a case-by-case basis.



## **Directions to Ranges**

The ranges are on Rueff Road between Leland and Elm, one street south of the office that is located on Preserve Road. The shotgun/archery (Trap, Skeet, 5-Stand) area is through the gate farthest east on Rueff Road. The Sporting Clays course gate is farther west, on the south side of Rueff Road across from the rifle/pistol range gate. The rifle/pistol ranges are on the north side of Rueff Road, across from Sporting Clays.

From Chicago area, take I88 west to the Sugar Grove exit. Follow the sign to "Hinckley" via Route 30. Driving approximately 17 miles west on Illinois 30, go through Big Rock, Hinckley and Waterman, IL. After you pass the west-most Waterman town limit, the first left is Leland Road. You'll see the large, white Hoka Turkey sign on the corner. Turn left (south). Drive past the first gravel road - Preserve Road. Take the next gravel road on your left (east) Rueff Road. All range gates are accessible from Rueff Rd.

## Local Places of Interest

South Moon BBQ, 146 East Lincoln Avenue, Hinckley, IL 60520 (815) 286-9227 (Delivers to ASC range area) Pub West, 100 E Adams St., Waterman, IL 60556 (815) 264-3736 (Delivers to ASC range area) Houlahan's Tavern & Grill, 208 W Lincoln Hwy, Waterman, IL 60556 (815) 264-3333 Welcome Matt, 149 West Lincoln Avenue, Hinckley, IL 60520 (815) 286-3949 The Hinckley Café, 116 E Lincoln Hwy, Hinckley, IL 60520 (815) 286-7081 Subway, 200 W Lincoln Ave, Hinckley, IL 60520 (815) 286-7007 Waterman Winery, 11582 Waterman Rd, Waterman, IL 60556 (815) 264-3268

Camping/Fishing: Shabonna Lake Park 4201 Shabbona Grove Rd, Shabbona, IL 60550 (815) 824-2106 Towing Service: AMK Auto Body, 215 E Lincoln Hwy, Waterman, IL 60556 (815) 264-7914 Gunsmith/Ammunition: Carters Gun Shop 202 West Comanche Avenue, Shabbona, IL 60550 (815) 824-2354

#### **Emergency Medical Assistance**

Valley West Community Hospital, 11 E Pleasant Ave, Sandwich (815) 786-8484 Kishwaukee Hospital, 1 Kish Hospital Drive, DeKalb (815) 756-1521 Provena Mercy Med Center, 1325 North Highland Avenue, Aurora (630) 859-2222

#### Lodging

Sycamore, DeKalb, and Yorkville are all within 30 minutes of Waterman.

Airports: Rockford, O'Hare, Midway,

Closest: Aurora Municipal Airport, Veterans Memorial Parkway, 43W636 US 30, Sugar Grove, IL 60554

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