

# **The Corona Police Firearms Training Facility Rules and Regulations for Law Enforcement Personnel**

## **A) Training Objective**

- 1) The Corona Police Firearms Training Facility is operated by the Corona Police Department for the purposes of training Corona Police personnel, training other law enforcement personnel and to provide a firearms range open to other law enforcement agencies (guest agencies) for their own training.
  
- 2) The use of these facilities by all shooters is contingent upon the observation and acceptance of the attached rules and regulations that have been established for the safe and efficient operation of the Firearms Training Facility.

## **B) Hours of Operation**

- 1) All shooting is scheduled through the Corona Police Rangemaster, Training Sergeant or Training Officer.

## **C) General Range Regulations**

- 1) Department paid range privileges are for all Corona PD sworn personnel. These privileges, however, do not extend to the shooter's family, friends, relatives or guests.
  
- 2) Any range ammunition which fails to fire, shall be returned to the Rangemaster for replacement. Live ammunition shall NOT be placed in the brass buckets.
  
- 3) Range ammunition or empty brass provided by this facility shall NOT be removed from the facility grounds without approval of the Corona Police Rangemaster, Training Sergeant or Training Officer.
  
- 4) Profanity, gambling, disorderly conduct, or drinking of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on the facility grounds.
  
- 5) Interference or unnecessary conversation with any other shooter on the firing line is prohibited.
  
- 6) All trash shall be placed in the appropriate receptacles.
  
- 7) Shooters will police their shooting areas. Shooters may remove all of their own personal empty brass. Salvaging of Department or other shooter's brass is not allowed.

- 8) No smoking, food or drinks are permitted on the firing line.
- 9) Training firearms, equipment and props will not be removed from the range unless approved by the Corona Police Training Sergeant.
- 10) All range lanes will be policed and all equipment returned to the proper location prior to securing the facility for closing.
- 11) Appropriate clothing attire is required when using the range. No open-toe shoes or sandals are permitted.

**D) Safety Regulations**

- 1) In matters of "Safety Operating Procedures", the on-duty Rangemaster is the ultimate authority on the range. Any deviation from the Rangemaster's commands, orders, or decisions may be grounds for immediate revocation and suspension of range privileges.
- 2) At the beginning of each day or at the beginning of a new shooting event, the responsible Firearms Instructor or Rangemaster will inspect the live-fire portion of the Firearms Training Facility for any hazards before allowing any firearms training.
- 3) Any Rangemaster or Firearms Instructor has the authority to inspect any and all weapons and ammunition brought onto the facility grounds for safety and approval. Refusal to submit said articles for inspection upon demand is grounds for immediate denial and/or suspension of range privileges.
  - a) Defective or unsafe weapons will not be permitted on the firing line.
  - b) Only factory loaded ammunition is permitted. Hand-loaded or reloaded ammunition is not permitted on the facility grounds.
  - c) Armor piercing (AP), tracer or incendiary ammunition is not permitted on the facility grounds.
- 4) The on-duty Corona Police Rangemaster has the authority to immediately revoke range privileges from any person for any violation of the rules or regulations, and may order said person to leave the firing line and premises immediately.

- 5) All law enforcement personnel entering upon, remaining upon, or leaving the facility shall carry all firearms in a safe manner, adhering to the following:
  - a) All weapons brought into the facility shall be in an unloaded condition unless the weapon is worn directly on the person in a holster or carried concealed upon the person in a secure manner.
  - b) Unless worn directly on the person, revolvers shall be carried either holstered, cased or with the cylinder open.
  - c) Unless worn directly on the person, semiautomatic pistols shall be holstered, cased, or have the slide locked back in the rear position. The magazines shall be removed from the weapons.
  - d) Other weapons (such as shotguns, rifles, automatic weapons, gas guns, etc...) shall be carried with the action open and all magazines and projectiles removed.
- 6) Firearms will be loaded and unloaded with the muzzles pointed in a safe direction and only in the following locations:
  - a) In the Ready Room or Armory utilizing the bullet containment device.
  - b) On the Firing Line with muzzle pointed down range as directed by the Rangemaster or Firearms Instructor.
  - c) Forward of the Firing Line with muzzle pointed down range as directed to do so by the Rangemaster or Firearms Instructor.
  - d) or any other area designated by the Corona Police Rangemaster
- 7) No shooting will take place in the Firearms Training Facility unless supervised by a Corona Police Rangemaster or Corona Police Firearms Instructor.
- 8) The guest agency's designated Firearms Instructor(s) shall retain complete responsibility for the safety of his/her personnel and safe firearms training within the Corona Police Firearms Training Facility, Defensive Tactics Facility, City of Corona Training Facility, Corporation Yard and associated grounds.

- 9) Firearms shall not be handled, cycled, or displayed behind the firing line (Except in designated areas). No weapons or equipment shall be left unattended.
- 10) Before cleaning or servicing any weapons, the weapons shall be checked to make sure it is unloaded. Cleaning and/or servicing of firearms shall be permitted only in the designated areas.
- 11) Shooters unfamiliar with range operation or the course-of-fire shall contact the Rangemaster or Firearms Instructor for clarification.
- 12) All shooters on the firing line shall adhere to the following:
  - a) Only shooters assigned to a target shall be permitted on the firing line with the exception of the following:
    - (1) Rangemaster
    - (2) Firearms Instructors
    - (3) Coaches who have been authorized by the Rangemaster
    - (4) Training officers who have been authorized by the Rangemaster
  - b) Upon the command of the Rangemaster or Firearms Instructor, all shooters on the firing line shall remove their weapons from their cases or holsters and load them.
  - c) All shooters on the firing line shall cease fire, enable weapon safety device, holster their weapon or unload it safely and bench it, and stand behind the firing line when the following occurs:
    - (1) Upon the command of the Rangemaster
    - (2) When the shooter's "locally controlled" target edges unexpectedly
  - d) The muzzle of all weapons shall be pointed down range at all times.
  - e) The following weapons are prohibited from being fired at this facility:
    - (1) Black powder weapons
    - (2) Damascus barreled weapons
    - (3) Twist barreled weapons
    - (4) Any weapon capable of chambering ammunition with greater muzzle energy than a .308 Winchester (unless approved by the Corona Police Rangemaster)
    - (5) Any weapon that the on-duty Rangemaster or Firearms Instructor deems unsafe

- f) No malfunctioning weapon shall be removed from the firing line without first clearing the malfunction and removing all ammunition, unless directed otherwise by the Rangemaster or Firearms Instructor. If assistance is required, keep the weapon pointed down range and raise your non-shooting hand.
- g) Everyone on the firing line shall wear eye and ear protection except when the Rangemaster or Firearms Instructor authorizes shooters to remove the gear temporarily for verbal instructions and lecture.
- h) Sunglasses and other light restricting eyewear are not authorized to be worn on the firing line unless medically prescribed and/or approved by the Rangemaster.
- i) Ammunition shall be handled with care. Do not throw or toss live ammunition to the ground.
- j) Do not turn or twist the target carrier by hand as this will damage the carrier shaft.
- k) Do not operate the carriers in fast mode.
- l) The top edge of all targets on the Rifle Bay shall be attached to the cardboard backing at least 12 inches below the target holder clamp.
- m) When shooting rifles or shotgun slugs, shooters will initially fire at "center-body-mass" of the target and no more than 50 yards from the bullet trap until proper sight alignment and shot placement have been determined. This does not apply to experienced precision rifle marksmen or experienced SWAT team members who practice with their rifle or shotgun on a monthly basis.
- n) RIFLE RANGE:  
All shooting will be conducted with the target at the 300' position, any adjustments in distance the responsible Safety Officer will move the line forward or back to adjust the distance. The target retrieval system will be used to retrieve targets only not to adjust target distance. This policy will insure that expended rounds will impact the bullet trap, minimize baffle erosion and eliminate the possibility of rounds escaping the range.
- o) PRONE SHOOTING:  
When shooting from the prone position on either the rifle or pistol policy change will insure that all expended rounds end up in the trap. The Safety Officer will note these angles to insure all expended rounds will impact the bullet trap safely.

p) FULLY AUTOMATIC GUNFIRE:

Any and all fully automatic gunfire will be conducted no further than ten yards from the back stop on either range, and done so in a controlled manner to insure all expended rounds impact the bullet trap. NO EXCEPTIONS