

**BROOME COUNTY SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION INC.**

**MEMBER RULES**

Updated January 1, 2025

1. **NO UNSAFE HANDLING OF FIREARMS. DANGEROUS USE OF FIREARMS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED, AND WILL BE CAUSE FOR DISMISSAL FROM THE CLUB**
2. There is no shooting ahead of the designated firing line, **except** when there is a board approved event that has the range reserved and has the proper amount of range safety officers to maintain safety of all participants for that event.
3. Shooting on all outdoor ranges will not commence before 9:30 A.M. and outdoor shooting will cease at official sunset.
4. **PROOF OF MEMBERSHIP MUST BE CARRIED WHEN ON B.C.S.A. PROPERTY.** Which shall be; a Club issued membership card clearly displayed by member on outer clothing above the waist at all times when on Club property.
5. No non-member, or junior individual are to use the ranges unless supervised by a club member or range officer.
6. Non-Club members cannot use the Club facilities, other than at approved events, without prior approval from a Club Director, or they must have a club member with a current guest membership card for each non-member.
7. Only approved targets are to be used on the ranges. The following are approved targets; any paper target and steel swinger targets. Clay pigeons are only allowed on the rifle and trap range. No other targets can be used on any range other than the listed approved targets, without the approval of the Board of Directors. **The following are SPECIAL RULES BY RANGE LOCATION:**
  - INDOOR RANGE** - No centerfire rifles or shotguns on this range, No magnum ammunition, No black powder firearms.
  - PISTOL RANGE** - No centerfire rifles or shotguns on this range. Targets shall only be shot at on provided cardboard backers in steel frames, steel targets to be shot with handgun calibers ONLY. .22 Cal. Rifles are allowed on the Pistol Range
  - ARCHERY/AIR RIFLE RANGE** - No Firearms at all – Air Rifles and Bows ONLY. No Rifles, No Shotguns, No Handguns.
  - MIDDLE RANGE** - No centerfire rifles or shotguns on this range. Handguns, .22 Cal. Rifles and Semi-Auto Pistol Caliber Carbines chambered in 9MM, .40 Cal & .45Cal. ONLY on this Middle Range. No clay pigeons to be shot at on this range.
8. Members are subject to dismissal from the club for not adhering to bylaws and rules of the club.
9. Any club member caught willfully damaging or stealing club property, including wildlife on club property, shall be immediately and permanently expelled from the club.
10. No motorized vehicles, horses, or bicycles on club grounds other than in the parking lots. Members and guests are restricted to the following areas on the club property: Parking Lots, Buildings, Ranges, Mowed Lawn Areas and a 50-yard perimeter around the pond, unless on a sanctioned work party or authorized by the Board. Current Board members are exempt from all provisions of rule number 10.
11. No alcoholic beverages allowed on the ranges at any time. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed at any regular or board meetings.
12. **MEMBERSHIP DUES:**
  - REGULAR** membership shall be \$60.00 per year.
  - SENIOR** members, 65 years old at the start of the membership year AND having at least one year prior membership as a regular member shall pay \$40.00 per year.
  - JUNIOR** members 18 and under shall pay \$5.00 dues per year. Members who are aged 18 or 19 have the option of joining as a Regular Member (full privileges) or a Junior Member (only on Club Grounds with a Regular Member).
  - LIFE MEMBERSHIP** fee shall be 15 (fifteen) times the current Regular membership dues. Life membership shall be paid in full and is not refundable.
  - GUEST MEMBERSHIP** shall be the same fees as regular membership.

13. Members will have a one-month grace period, (the month of September) in which to pay their membership dues.
14. INDOOR RANGE FEE shall be \$95.00 *per year*. The Indoor Range fee year being the same as the membership year.
15. *N.R.A. membership will be strongly encouraged by the Club.*
16. Anyone using the Broome County Sportsmen's Association name for their own personal gain without Board approval is subject to dismissal from the Club.
17. Scrap brass and lead are the property of the Club.
18. No club property shall be removed from the grounds without the permission of the Board (subject to police action). Use of club property (grounds and buildings) by committees or outside groups, must be approved by the Board.
19. All committees or outside groups who use the clubhouse and/or grounds are obligated to leave them clean and policed up.
20. No personal property shall be stored or left in or on club buildings or grounds without permission of the Board.
21. Any person seeking political office must secure Board approval prior to speaking at club meetings.
22. The By-Laws and Rules of the Broome Country Sportsmen's Association shall be reviewed every five (5) years.
23. Any rule change(s) made by the Board of Directors shall become effective thirty days after the membership has been notified in the club bulletin.
24. Keys and combinations will be issued only to Board Members and individuals deemed necessary by the Board. Any issued keys are subject to recall by the Board, with noncompliance by the holder being grounds for immediate dismissal from the club.
25. Board Members with twenty (20) consecutive months on the Board will have dues waived. Committee Chairmen with eight (8) consecutive months of service will have dues waived.
26. ALL Members and Guests, using the club's shooting facilities shall on an annual basis starting September 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 and on that anniversary date or before, execute a Waiver of Liability approved by the Board of Directors. ALL members purchasing a club Guest Membership shall have each and every person using that Guest Membership sign a club Waiver of Liability each time they use the club's shooting facilities.
27. Monies collected by committees shall be turned into the Treasurer at every Board meeting. Each committee chairman shall turn in a monthly funding report for each month that there is income or expenses for that committee.
28. All trophies and awards are to be handled through the club Treasurer and are to be paid by check. Exceptions may be approved by the Board of Directors.
29. **ANY** damage to BCSA Club Property **MUST** be reported to a BCSA Officer or Director as soon as possible. **ANY** Accidental Discharge causing damage to BCSA Club property **MUST** be reported to a BCSA Officer or Director as soon as possible.
30. All raffles shall be run through the Raffle Chairman.
31. All organized events must be placed on the club calendar. Advanced notices are required so that they can be published in the club bulletin.
32. The approval of three quarters (3/4) of the complete Board of Directors is required before funds can be withdrawn from the Schmeiske Fund.
33. Board of Directors may take a leave of absence if unable to perform their duties as Director by notifying the Secretary in writing of the stop and start dates of their leave of absence. Directors while on leave of absence shall have General Membership status.
34. Club Facilities rented to organizations shall pay to the club Treasurer ALL fees (rent, cleaning, security deposit, ect.) due in advance of their event. *(this rule will take effect January 1, 2025)*