



Staying COVID-Safe while shooting at SMISC

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This information sheet is for shooters and other customers at the St Marys Indoor Shooting Centre (SMISC). It summarises parts of the more detailed SMISC COVID-Safe Plan about how the Centre is to operate safely during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Conditions of Entry to SMISC

You may be directed to leave the range if you do not comply with any conditions of entry below.

- **Pose No Risk of Infection**
 - Not have the illness, or show signs of it.
 - Not returning after the illness or forced lockdown without medical clearance.
- **Comply with physical (social) distancing**
 - Keep at least 1.5 metres apart (except if there are barriers or in an emergency).
 - Keep within max. number of people (displayed on placards in areas).
 - One person at a time in airlocks.
 - Stay in your bay when shooting.
 - No bay sharing (except as a shooting safety aide or a supervisor with a minor).
 - Move well clear of bay when firearms are being cleared by a range officer.
 - Special precautions for pistol courses, grads, novice shoots and 'try shooting'.
- **Show Good Personal Hygiene**
 - Avoiding making physical contact with others (e.g. shaking hands).
 - Avoid touching goods on display. If sharing equipment, disinfect them between users.
 - Thoroughly wash or sanitise hands before going into the airlock to a range.
 - Thoroughly wash or sanitise hands after coming out of an airlock from a range
 - Wipe down the shooting bench, your chair and target controls before shooting.
 - Dispose of used gloves or wipes into specified COVID-Safe waste bins.
 - Make a habit of washing hands thoroughly with soap and water, or of sanitising your hands before eating and after using a toilet.
- **Provide Personal Details**
 - Everyone is required to give contact details when they attend the Centre.
 - If a person who has been at SMISC has, or develops, COVID-19, the contact details of any person there at the same time will be provided to NSW medical authorities.
 - If you are an SMISC member, your sales or attendance records will be used.
 - If you are a visitor, you must provide contact details in the visitor's book.
- **Comply with Directions**
 - Follow the directions given to you by SMISC Range Officers and other range workers.
 - Including those about checking for signs of illness, physical distancing, using personal hygiene and taking contact details.

Some Special Arrangements

In order to provide a COVID-Safe environment you may notice some special arrangements:

- **Opening Times**
 - Days and times of opening and closing may change – check the website for information.
- **Floor Markers**
 - Floor markers will indicate how far apart you should be standing (e.g. in a queue).

- **Use of shooting bays**
 - Not all bays may be used at once due to the four square metre rule.
- **Capacity Placards**
 - Placards have been installed to indicate the maximum capacity of people permitted be in various rooms or areas at the range.
- **Take a Ticket**
 - If the maximum capacity of the Centre is likely to be exceeded, you might be issued with a numbered ticket and be asked to wait in your vehicle.
 - Staff will come out and notify you when it's OK to come inside.
- **Competition Matches**
 - Matches will not be re-started all at once, but re-introduced gradually.
 - At first, we'll focus on the simpler matches and events designed to get people back into good shooting habits after a long break. Arrangements will also be made for people in the middle of pistol training programs and similar.

Precautions for Vulnerable People

For some, COVID-19 infection means a higher than usual risk of getting a serious form of the illness. Anyone over 50 should chat with their doctor about health risks in their individual case. Those with an elevated risk of developing a serious form of the illness if infected should get specific medical advice about participating in activities like indoor shooting and any extra precautions they should take.

- **Those with elevated risk include**
 - Anyone with a weakened immune system or taking immuno-suppressants.
 - People over 65, (and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people over 50); especially if they have chronic renal failure, coronary heart disease, congestive cardiac failure, chronic lung disease, poorly controlled diabetes or poorly controlled hypertension.
- **What we can do to help**
 - If there is sufficient interest, SMISC can set aside specific times and ranges for use by vulnerable shooters.
 - They would have fewer people in the range and wider physical distancing.
 - Shooting bay benches, fittings, controls, shared equipment and chairs would be disinfected between each user.
 - Gloves and a mask would be available.
 - Range officers would be wearing gloves and a P2 mask while servicing that range.
 - If needed, we can also supply an information sheet to you for your Doctor about the nature of risks at the range, precautions normally being taken and additional precautions available for vulnerable people.
 - Let us know if you are interested.

What if you develop symptoms?

- **Don't come to the range**
 - Stay home and get tested
 - Follow your medical advice
- **If you become ill while at the range**
 - Let us know as soon as possible.
 - We have special procedures to look after you and to safeguard others at the range.
- **If you later find out you probably had COVID-19 while you were at the range**
 - Let us know when you were in and, if possible, where you were in the range.
 - We will trace any close contacts using sales records and the visitor's book and let medical authorities know the details so they can be contacted for testing.

What else is new at the range?

- New floor coverings and wall coverings in the shooting line area of most ranges.
- New coverings on range benches.
- Repainting of most areas of the Centre.
- Hand sanitizer stations and disposal bins.
- Re-arrangement of seating.

Enjoy and help us maintain the range by cleaning up after yourself and treating it with respect.