

**FLORIDA KEYS SHOOTING CLUB, INC. RANGE  
SAFETY RULES  
AND SAFETY BRIEF.**

1. You must attend a Safety Brief to get your key to the Range.
2. Do not loan out or make copies of your key.
3. Violation of Rules and Regulations

**[FROM THE CLUBS BYLAWS]**

Any member or guest of a member violating a rule or regulation applicable to the use of this organization's facilities shall be subject to immediate ejection from the facility upon demand by any officer or other individual in charge of the facility. Any member determined to be in violation of a rule or regulation applicable to the safe use of this organization's facilities shall also be subject to expulsion or suspension from membership upon a majority vote of the Board of Directors upon notice to the member at least five days in advance of the meeting at which the matter will be considered.

4. If you see violations that you cannot correct notify the club by phone and in writing. Please give the following information, members name, time, date and the violation.
5. When you arrive at the Range to shoot either firearms or archery.  
Sign in the log book  
Put guests names in the log book.  
There is a \$10.00 charge per day for guests to shoot on either range.  
A family membership is you, your spouse and your children 18 and under.
6. There is a First Aid Kit and a Critical Incident Book located on the sign in book bench. They are there for your use if you need them.

## **SAFETY WITH FIREARMS**

Memorize the **FOUR CARDINAL RULES** of firearm safety and treat them with absolute seriousness at all times.

1. ***ALL GUNS ARE ALWAYS LOADED***

A large percentage of firearm related mishaps occur with so called “unloaded guns “.

**2. *NEVER LET THE MUZZLE COVER ANYTHING YOU ARE NOT WILLING TO DESTROY.***

This is the most violated rule and is always excused with, “IT’S NOT LOADED”.

No matter where you are on this range, no matter if the range is HOT or COLD, if there is someone between you and the berm and you handle an uncased firearm you are in violation of this rule.

**3. *KEEP YOUR FINGER OFF THE TRIGGER AND OUT OF THE TRIGGER GUARD UNTIL YOUR SIGHTS ARE ON THE TARGET.***

**4. *BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET***

Know what it is, what’s in line with it and what is behind it. Never shoot at anything you have not positively identified.

**FKSC’S FIREARM RULES**

1. All firearms brought to the range must be unloaded and in a case, range bag, box or in a holster. The

only exception is LEOs or YOUR concealed carry firearm.

2. If you're carrying a concealed firearm it must be concealed.
3. This is a Cold Range; you cannot handle uncased firearms on a COLD range.
4. Firearms can be uncased and handled at the firing line ONLY after the range is called HOT.
5. Firearms are to be kept UNLOADED, the actions open and magazines out.
6. You may carry an exposed firearm in a holster at anytime as long as you keep the magazine out and the firearm unloaded.
7. When handling firearms keep the muzzle pointed "DOWNRANGE", on the 25 yard side rifles can be pointed up when placed in the rifle racks.
8. Full auto fire is not permitted, ANYTHING that makes your firearm shoot like full auto, IS full auto and is not permitted
9. To move a firearm from one shooting station to another it MUST be unloaded and in a case, range bag, box, in a holster.

THE ONLY EXCEPTION IS YOUR CONCEALED  
CARRY FIREARM.

10. If your firearm is loaded it must be in one of the following three places:
  - A. Concealed on your person.
  - B. In your hand ready to engage your target.
  - C. In a holster with you ready to engage your target.
11. Fast drawing is not permitted on the concrete firing line.
12. Do not lay loaded firearms down and use great care if you pass a loaded firearm to someone else.
14. In the event of a misfire keep your firearm in your hand pointed at the berm for at least 30 seconds before attempting to clear your firearm.
15. Squibs- if it goes pop when it should of gone bang fine out where the bullet went before firing another round.
16. If you find a firearm left at the range please do not leave it here. Contact a club Officer or leave a message at the web email [keysshooters@hotmail.com](mailto:keysshooters@hotmail.com) and someone will get

back to you, check the gun safe and take it home with you.

If you will not take the firearm home with you call the Sherriff's Office and ask them to come and get the firearm.

Put a note with the same information on it in the money box in case you're stopped by Law Enforcement.

### **AMMUNITION RULES**

1. Armor piercing and tracer ammunition use is prohibited.
2. Exploding targets are prohibited.

### **RANGE SAFETY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. When two or more members are present a one must act as the RANGE SAFETY OFFICER.
2. Hot to Handle, used to handle a firearm in a single location, usually to case a firearm.
3. CEASE FIRE can be called by anyone who sees something unsafe happening on the range. If a cease fire is called stop shooting, take your finger off the trigger, and out of the trigger

guard and put your firearm up at a slight angle and do NOTHING else until instructed to do so by the Range Safety Officer.

4. Use only paper or cardboard targets unless approved by a Club Officer or a Club appointed Range Safety Officer.
5. All targets are to be placed on the Club's target stands at 25 or 50 yard berms.
6. Do not throw targets for shotguns. Pick up your spent shot shells
7. Keep your firearms pointed between the sides and top and bottom of the berm.
8. Do not point firearms in the air when shooting.
9. All rounds fired must hit the berm, rounds that leave the range endanger human life.
10. Cross shooting at other shooters targets increases the chance of a ricochet.
11. Eye and ear protection is **REQUIRED** when shooting or at the firing line.
12. Members are responsible to insure their guest follow all of the Clubs rules and regulations:
13. Keep the Range gate locked when the range is **HOT**; except for special events when a Club

Officer or a Club appointed Range Safety Officer is present.

14. Any Club Officer or Club appointed Range Safety Officer or may at any time check or handle any firearm for safety.

## **ARCHERY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Archery rules are posted in the red box located on the storage building.

### **25/50 YARD RULES**

1. Either range can be Hot while the other is COLD.
2. You can shoot UP CLOSE on either range.
3. If you're shooting on the 50 yard range and a rifle shooter or a 50 yard bulls eye shooter shows up you must move back to the concrete.
4. 25 yard side shooters MUST split range time between up close and 25 yards
5. You must let members know you want to shoot.

## **PLATE MACHINE RULES HANDGUNS ONLY**

1. When you sign your Safety Brief form and Release Form you are acknowledging you may get hit with backsplash off the metal plates.
2. No one shall shoot the plate machine with a rifle, shotgun, carbine or any handgun that shoots center fire rifle ammunition.
3. Handguns are restricted to .45 caliber or less.
4. No magnum ammunition can be used on the plate machine.
5. Minimum distance to shoot the plates is 10 yards; the 6x6 in the ground is the 10 yard marker.

### **100 YARD RANGE RULES**

1. A 100 Yard Range Safety Officer must be present for you to shoot on the 100 yard range.
2. The 100 yard range is open every Monday EXCEPT federal holidays. On federal holidays the range is open for normal shooting on the 25/50 yard ranges.
3. On 100 yard Mondays the 25/50 yard ranges are open from 0800 to 11:30 for normal shooting. If/when a 100 yard shooter shows up the 100

yard range takes priority over all other range activities.

4. If you have not sighted in your firearm at 50 yards  
DO NOT shoot it from the 100 yard firing line.
5. When the 100 yard firing line is HOT you MUST be either at or behind the 100 yard firing line.
6. 100 Yard Range Safety Officers may use the 100 yard range anytime there are no members using the 25/50 yard ranges. If a club member shows up while the 100 yard range is being used on an off day the 100 Yard Range Safety Officer will case all firearms then reopen the range for normal use.
7. Any member found shooting from the 100 yard firing line without a 100 Yard Range Safety Officer present will have their key and membership card taken and will have their membership suspended.

## **PROBLEMS WITH FIREARMS AT THE RANGE**

If you have a problem with a firearm at the range you must exercise caution that you do not get so involved with fixing the problem that you forget

range and firearm safety. The more “helpers” you have the greater the chance someone will violate a basic safety rule.

If someone questions your actions you need to step back and take a hard look to see if what you are doing is safe. People not involved with fixing the problem often see things that you do not.

### **POLICING THE RANGE**

1. Members and their guests must clean up their shooting stations.
2. Put spent shell casings in the buckets provided, not in the garbage cans.
3. New cardboard is located on the shelf below the sign in book.
4. Spent cardboard goes in the bin on the parking lot side of the sign in book shelter, not in the garbage cans.

### **EATING AT THE RANGE**

Not a good idea due to the lead dust.

### **ALCOHOL/DRUGS**

1. Don't use drugs or alcohol before you come to the range or while you're here.
2. If you're using a new medication find out how you're reacting to it before coming to the range.

## **CALENDAR/RANGE SCHEDULE**

Go to [KEYSSHOOTINGCLUB.COM](http://KEYSSHOOTINGCLUB.COM) to see the calendar and range schedule.

## **MONTHLY CLUB EVENTS**

1. Mondays are 100 yard range days.
2. The first Saturday of every month is IDPA.
3. The third Saturday of every month is Practical Practice.
4. On the fourth Sunday of the cooler months the FKSC has a Kidsshootingclub meet. Go to [keysshootingclub.com](http://keysshootingclub.com) or [kidsshootingclub@hotmail.com](mailto:kidsshootingclub@hotmail.com) for more information.
5. Most every Wednesday the range is reserved for Law Enforcement Officer training. Club members are not permitted on the range when LEOs are training at the range. Check the calendar for the schedule.

6. You can also visit the clubs website,  
[KEYSSHOOTINGCLUB.COM](http://KEYSSHOOTINGCLUB.COM) for more  
information.