



Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports Inc.

13401 Lake Harris Road, Tuscaloosa, AL 35406

Please email completed application to:
ombudsman@tuscaloosashootingsports.com

Membership Application

Full Legal Name: _____

Preferred First Name for Membership Card: _____

Home/Mailing Address: _____

City, State, County, Zip: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Email: _____ (We will communicate with you primarily by email)

Phone: (____) _____ [] Mobile [] Landline | [] I consent to receiving text messages from TSS

Occupation: _____ Employer/Workplace: _____

AN ALABAMA CONCEALED CARRY PERMIT or ALEA CRIMINAL HISTORY REPORT IS REQUIRED

Concealed Carry Permit No. _____ County: _____ Expiration: _____

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IN THE NRA IS MANDATORY

NRA Membership No: _____ Expiration: _____ / [] Life Member

NRA Certifications: [] RSO [] Instructor (type): _____ [] Counselor

Useful Skills: _____

Recommendation by one TSS Officer/Board Member or two TSS Members in good standing is mandatory

Names (1) _____ (2) _____

Signatures (1) _____ (2) _____

- An Initiation Fee of \$500 must be paid when this Application is accepted. Annual Membership Dues are \$300. First year's dues will be prorated based on date Membership is granted.
- With this Application, you must provide copies of your: 1) Driver's License, 2) Alabama Concealed Carry Permit or ALEA Criminal History Report, and 3) NRA Membership Card.

Membership Requirements for Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports:

1. Be 19 years of age or older;
2. Be a member in good standing of the National Rifle Association of America;
3. Be lawfully allowed to possess firearms;
4. Be endorsed by one TSS Officer/Board Member or two TSS members in good standing;
5. Satisfactorily complete an initial orientation and training session in Firearms Safety and Range Rules;
6. **Continually meet all membership requirements established by TSS Bylaws, Range Rules, and the Board of Directors.**

The NRA Pledge

I Certify That I am a Citizen of Good Repute of The United States Of America; That I am Not a Member of Any Organization or Group Having as its Purpose or One of its Purposes the Overthrow by Force and Violence of the Government of The United States or Any of its Political Subdivisions; That I Have Never Been Convicted of a Crime of Violence; and That, if Admitted to Membership I Will Fulfill the Obligations of Good Sportsmanship and Good Citizenship.

I agree to abide by the NRA Pledge, TSS Bylaws, and TSS Range Rules & Policies if accepted for membership in TSS.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____ Date: _____



ADDENDUM TO MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Full Legal Name: _____

All of the following questions must be answered with a YES or NO. The Applicant must sign this Addendum as well as the Membership Application.

1. Are you under indictment or information in any court for a crime for which the judge could imprison you for more than one year? An *information* is a formal accusation of a crime made by a prosecuting attorney. YES NO
2. Have you ever been convicted in any court of a crime for which the judge could have imprisoned you for more than one year, even if the judge actually gave you a shorter sentence? YES NO
3. Are you a fugitive from justice? YES NO
4. Are you an unlawful user of, or addicted to, marijuana, or any depressant, stimulant, or narcotic drug, or any other controlled substance YES NO
5. Have you ever been adjudicated mentally defective or have you ever been committed to a mental institution? YES NO
6. Have you been discharged from the Armed Forces under dishonorable conditions? YES NO
7. Are you an alien illegally in the United States of America? YES NO
8. Have you ever renounced your United States citizenship? YES NO
9. Are you subject to a court order restraining you from harassing, stalking, or threatening an intimate partner or child of such partner? YES NO
10. Have you ever been convicted in any court of a misdemeanor crime of domestic violence? This includes any misdemeanor conviction involving the use or attempted use of physical force committed on a current or former spouse, parent, or guardian of the victim or by a person with a similar relationship with the victim. YES NO
11. Are you a citizen of the United States of America? YES NO

I CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT AND AGREE TO NOTIFY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS IMMEDIATELY IF ANY ANSWER CHANGES DURING MY MEMBERSHIP. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THE MAKING OF A FALSE ORAL OR WRITTEN STATEMENT IS GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE REVOCATION OF MEMBERSHIP IN TUSCALOOSA SHOOTING SPORTS.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____ Date: _____



RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK
Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports, Inc.

STATE OF ALABAMA)
)
COUNTY OF TUSCALOOSA)

THIS IS A RELEASE FROM LIABILITY AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK. In consideration for being allowed to enter the premises, and/or to view or participate in the activities, of **Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports, Inc.**, I, the undersigned, for myself (and/or my minor child) hereby release, remise, and forever discharge and agree to defend and hold harmless and indemnify **Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports, Inc.**, and its respective owners, officers, directors, agents, instructors, match directors, assistants, volunteers, members, employees, mortgage holders, successors, and assigns, of and from all liability, claims, demands, causes of action, and possible causes of action whatsoever, arising out of or related to any loss, damage, or injury (including death) that may be sustained by me (and/or my minor child), while in, on, en route to, from, or out of said premises from any cause whatsoever.

In signing this document, I acknowledge my understanding and appreciation of the inherent dangers and risks associated with the activities that I (and/or my minor child) will be participating in while on the premises of **Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports, Inc.** I am particularly cognizant of the risks and dangers associated with the use of firearms. I assume as my personal risk (and/or the personal risk of my minor child) all the hazards of shooting activities and do hereby fully and irrevocably release and forever discharge **Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports, Inc.**, and its respective owners, officers, directors, agents, instructors, match directors, assistants, volunteers, members, employees, mortgage holders, successors, and assigns, from any and all claims, demands, actions, losses, and/or liability of an kind, nature or description that may be sustained by me (and/or my minor child).

I hereby assume as my sole personal responsibility any and all costs incurred as a result of my (and/or my minor child's) actions or in my (and/or my minor child's) behalf for rescue efforts and all medical emergencies.

In signing this document, I represent that I have read this document, understand it, and sign it voluntarily. I have been made aware of the rules of the range and agree to follow them in full. I acknowledge that this document shall be effective and binding upon me (and/or my minor child), and my (and/or my minor child's) successors, family members, heirs and assigns. I agree that this document is signed, made effective and performed in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, and is to be governed by Alabama Law.

Participant's Name: _____ Date: _____

Participant's Signature: _____ Witness: _____

Parent/legal guardian must sign for persons under the age of 19

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Witness: _____



Range Safety Rules for **Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports, Inc.**

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The Four Basic Rules of Gun Safety

1. Always keep your firearm pointed in a safe direction.
2. Treat every firearm as if it is loaded.
 - a. Before you handle a firearm, check to make sure that it is unloaded.
 - b. Unload firearms in the proper order. Take out the magazine first, then empty the chamber.
3. Keep your finger off the trigger until your sights are on your target and you are ready to fire.
 - a. Never place your finger inside the trigger guard while handling, loading, or unloading the firearm.
4. Always be sure of your target and what is behind it.

Cold Range Rules

1. Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports operates a COLD range policy.
 - a. When the range is COLD no one may touch a firearm.
 - b. Do Not approach a range with a firearm if someone is down range.
 - c. You may touch, load, and fire your firearm only when the range is called HOT.
 - d. When the range is COLD your firearm must be in a safe condition; unloaded, action or cylinder open, empty chamber indicator inserted, magazine out, safety on, holstered, cased, racked with the muzzle up, or lying on the shooting bench with the muzzle pointed downrange. Revolvers must have cylinder open and empty.
2. While at any range all firearms not in use shall have actions open and made in a VISIBLY SAFE CONDITION, i.e., install an empty chamber indicator or length of weed eater cord in the chamber so that it can be easily seen by everyone on the line.
3. Ammunition may be loaded into magazines on a Cold range but not placed in the firearm.
4. Firearms must be transported to the range with chambers empty, in a case, holster, or with action open, an Empty Chamber Indicator in the chamber, and with the muzzle pointed up.
5. When handling your firearm, be sure that the muzzle is pointing downrange and/or up.
6. You may not handle a firearm unless the range is called Hot. This includes removing a firearm from its case or putting one away.
7. No handling firearms behind the firing line unless the firearm is unloaded, the action is open, an Empty Chamber Indicator in the chamber, and the range director has given the shooter permission to handle them.
8. No one shall go downrange until the range is called Cold.
9. When anyone is downrange, there will be no handling of any firearms!

General Range Rules

1. Firearms may only be discharged between 9 a.m. and dark.
2. Sign in on the registers provided at each range.
3. All local, state and federal laws will be obeyed at all times while on club property.
4. No full automatic, bump fire, or burst fire firearms are allowed on the TSSI ranges,
5. Armor piercing ammunition, tracer ammunition, exploding ammunition, and exploding targets are prohibited on all ranges.
6. Targets and Target Placement:
7. The only approved targets at this facility are paper targets attached to the provided holders, stands or racks, and the steel falling plates and swingers provided at pistol bunkers. Paper targets shall be standard targets, bullseye or silhouette, and shall not be adorned with photos of persons or slogans. No other form of targets are allowed, i.e, no glass bottles, tin cans (empty or full), spray paint cans, rocks, bricks, concrete blocks, clay pigeons, or fruits and vegetables.
8. All targets shall be placed at a height that will cause all fired rounds to impact the terminal berm and avoid ground hits or skips and resulting ricochets with unpredictable flights paths.
9. Drums, barricades, stage props, or other club property shall not be used as target stands or targets.
10. Eye and hearing protection is highly recommended for everyone at all times. Eye protection is mandatory in the Pistol Bunkers with steel swingers or falling plate targets, Bunkers A & B.
11. Under no circumstances will a shooter arriving on the range move in front of the firing line or between the firing line and target line of any other shooter established on a firing line.
12. The first member present on a range shall have precedence as to procedure for mutual use and cooperation and shall act as the Range Safety Officer. All members and guest are expected to display good sportsmanship in the cooperative use of the range
13. Multiple users MUST coordinate and communicate calling the range Hot and Cold. Confirm communication via eye contact or verbal feedback. Make sure everyone knows the status of the range.
14. Anyone may call the range Cold at any time if they observe something unsafe or are unclear of how to proceed, by calling out the command, "cease fire" and repeating is as required to get everyone's attention.
15. No one shall handle firearms or equipment belonging to another unless invited to do so by the owner.
16. Clean-up of Ranges.
17. Each Member is responsible for cleaning up while at the range.
18. All used targets and any remains of the targets shall be cleared from the range and disposed of properly.
19. All trash and shell casings, except rimfire, shall be picked up and placed in a trash barrel or brass in the buckets provided for them.
20. Members are responsible for damage or destruction of club property that they or their guest(s) cause.
21. Members shall report any round fired the trajectory of which could carry the projectile over the terminal berm and/or off the range property. Contact Barry Fikes (205-886-7165), or any Member of the Board of TSSI.
22. Whenever maintenance is being performed on any of the ranges, all shooting in that vicinity must cease until the work is completed.
23. All Members should act as Safety Officers and help each other make our range safe by enforcing these rules.
24. If you see someone who is not complying with these rules, or for any reason should not be on our ranges or property, contact Barry Fikes (205-886-7165), or any Member of the Board of TSSI immediately.

Guests and Children

1. Guests shall be accompanied by a host Member who is responsible for his/her guest(s) and their compliance with Range Safety Rules.
2. Guests must remain with the host member at all times and should always be on the same range as the member.
3. A member is permitted up to 4 shooting guests on weekdays and 2 shooting guests on weekends.
4. Guests of members are subject to the same rules as members.
5. Members are responsible for having each of their guests, shooting or non-shooting, signing a liability waiver form on their first visit to TSSI. The forms are located at the sign-in drop box at each range, and after signing the form shall be placed in the drop box. For children under 18 years of age a liability waiver must be signed by the parent or legal guardian of the minor.
6. All children under the age of 18 shall be under strict and immediate supervision of a responsible adult member of TSSI.
7. All children age of 14 shall not be permitted to handle a firearm unless within arms reach and immediate supervision of a responsible adult member of TSSI.
8. Children are not permitted to leave the immediate area of the supervising adult.

Conduct

1. Members are required to have their membership badge when on TSSI property and must show badge to anyone that request to see it.
2. No alcohol, alcohol beverage containers, or illegal drugs are allowed on the range property.
3. Persons under the influence of alcohol, illegal drugs, or prescription drugs that impair mental alertness or physical response are not allowed on TSSI property.
4. Wildlife, except coyotes, snakes, and wild hogs, shall not be shot on club property. Notify Barry Fikes (205-886-7165) of any coyote or hog kills as soon as possible.
5. Any unsafe condition of a range, or range equipment, should be IMMEDIATELY reported to the Chief Range Safety Officer or a member of the Board of Directors.

Disciplinary Procedure for Rule Violations

1. Disciplinary charges against any member may be brought by two or more members in good standing. Such charges shall be in writing stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by all affidavits or exhibits, which are to be used in their support. Such charges shall be filed with a member of the Board of Directors, the Board of Directors will hear and investigate the charges.
2. Board of Directors may take any action they deem necessary to enforce any range or safety rule up to and including suspension of range use and privileges. Any initial action of the Board of Directors shall be in force immediately. The Board may take action upon the report as they deem appropriate,
3. Any member receiving such disciplinary action may address the Board at the Board meeting at which the charges are considered by contacting the Secretary and requesting a place on the meeting agenda. At such meeting the member under charges will be accorded a full hearing. No vote on expulsion may be taken unless at least fifteen days' notice in writing shall have been given to the member of the charges preferred and of the time and place of the meeting of the Board of Directors at which such charges will be considered. Any member suspended for more than 180 days or expelled by the Board of Directors may appeal to the full membership. Such appeal shall be made in writing to the Secretary who will notify the President.
4. The President will call a special meeting of the membership for the purpose of acting on the appeal. The Secretary shall give at least fifteen days' notice to all Active Members in good standing stating.

Range Specific Rules

50 yard range

1. The following firearms are allowed to be fired on the 50 Yard Range:
 - a. Handguns,
 - b. Rimfire rifles,
 - c. Pistol-caliber carbines,
 - d. Center-fire rifles,
 - e. Shotguns (on paper targets only).
2. Paper targets only.
3. Portable target stands may not be used on this range.

100, 200, and 300 yard ranges

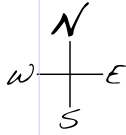
1. The following firearms are allowed to be fired on the 100 Yard Range:
 - a. Handguns,
 - b. Rimfire rifles,
 - c. Pistol-caliber carbines,
 - d. Center-fire rifles,
 - e. Muzzle loading handguns and rifles,
 - f. Shotguns (on paper targets only).
2. Paper targets only.
3. Portable target stands may not be used on this range.

Bunkers

1. Bunkers containing steel plates:
 - a. The following firearms are allowed to be fired:
 - i. Handguns firing standard velocity (non-Magnum) ammunition,
 - ii. Rimfire rifles,
 - iii. Pistol-caliber carbines firing standard velocity (non-Magnum) ammunition.
 - b. You may only fire at the steel plates from the designated shooting boxes.
2. Bunkers *not* containing steel plates:
 - a. Portable target stands may be used.
 - b. Plastic or aluminum containers and stationary clay pigeons may be used as targets. HOWEVER, the Member is responsible for cleaning up and removing *all* debris from the range before leaving.
3. Eye protection is mandatory in and around all bunkers for shooters and observers.

Shotgun Field

1. This area is reserved for shotgun usage only. No solid projectile firearms are permitted to be used.
2. No shooting will take place when any person is down range (i.e.: cold range rules) for any reason.
3. The only shotgun shells allowed to be fired on this range are #7 1/2 size shot or smaller. There is no gauge limitation.
4. Only club furnished clay targets and club owned throwers are to be used on this range (No personal throwers may be used).
5. All rounds are to be fired from inside one of the designated (angle limiting) shooting stands. No rounds will be fired from other firing positions.
6. Shooters will fire only at clay birds in the air from these approved firing positions.
7. The member using the Shotgun Field is in charge of his or her guests and responsible for proper use of the thrower and facilities, and for securing the thrower and related facilities after use.
8. The storage building and the trap thrower box are accessed by combination lock. This combination is provided to the club member upon his or her completion of familiarization class for the shotgun range. The combination shall not be given to non-members or to members who have not completed familiarization training.
9. The trap thrower(s) may only be loaded by a club member who has completed familiarization training. However, anyone can operate the trap release control under the supervision of a member who has completed familiarization training.
10. Spent hulls must be picked up and removed from the Shotgun Field or placed into the hull collection buckets/barrels.
11. All shot is to remain within the designated shot fall zone. Each shooter is responsible for insuring that his or her shot falls into this zone. This is necessary for the safety of others in the area and for compliance with the club's Environmental Stewardship Program.
12. Instructions for trap thrower use:
 - a. Instructions for the trap thrower(s) will be given to members upon completion of the Shotgun Field Orientation.
 - b. The operating instructions for the trap thrower(s) are located on the inside of the storage building door. Maintenance or adjustments to the thrower may only be done by the Chief Range Safety officer. This does not include turning on/off toggle switches for wobble, etc. which may be done by any member who has completed familiarization.



Lake Harris Road

Main Gate

Handicapped

No Access

No Access

300 Yard Range

100 Yard Range

50 Yard Range

No Access

New 225 Yard Range

Limited Access

Current Bunkers

New Shotgun Range

Tuscaloosa Shooting Sports Range Map

