

KILLINGHOLME FULLBORE CLUB RULES

AGREED AGM 2018

1. Everyone using Killingholme Full Bore Club range facility must read and abide by the Club Rules, Range Orders, Constitution, Range Action Safety Plan and is deemed to accept these by signing the Range Log.

2. The Secretary shall convene a Committee meeting at least six times during the year, presided over by the Chairman, to a pre-determined schedule. Every member shall have one vote on any resolution on which he or she is entitled to vote. Every resolution shall be decided by a majority of votes by those present and entitled to vote on the question. The Chairman, or any other member of the committee, does not have the power of veto over the committee.
Minutes of such meetings shall be available from the Secretary within three weeks.

3. The Chairman has a casting vote in case of a tie at any properly called meeting at which he or she is officiating. In all other respects the Chairman has no authority to make decisions on behalf of the Club without the Committee's majority approval.

4. The Committee has the authority to fill vacancies in the Committee occurring during the year.

5. The Committee can arrange and organise such social and other events, as the committee decides to be of benefit to the club, without recourse to a general meeting of the membership.

6. In the case of a dispute between members, or between members and the Committee, and submitting clearly written facts of the dispute with all supporting evidence to the Secretary, signed by 25% of fully paid up members, the Committee shall within 28 days act to convene a Special General Meeting chaired by the President or Vice President in his absence. Detail of disputes must be submitted by individual members. Any member or members named in dispute are to be allowed 28 days to prepare for the special meeting and this must be taken into account when determining the date of the Special General Meeting.

7. If the Committee does not act on written notification of a dispute within 28 days without good reason provided by the Committee (i.e. the member or members having not been allowed the full 28 days to prepare their case) The members may themselves convene a Special General Meeting of the Club by giving 14 days' notice in writing to all Club members, duly setting out the purpose of such a meeting. A Quorum of such a special meeting will be one third of the total membership and must be independently chaired by a person acceptable to all parties. Any resolutions agreed by the majority using a secret ballot shall have the same force and effect as one passed at a meeting convened by the Committee.

8. Any member of the Committee may be removed by a majority of two thirds of members present at any General meeting convened under rules 6 and 7, and such vote must be taken by secret ballot.

9. Any Club officer may make by-laws and regulations with regard to the use of the range during Club hours, and may draw up conditions for competitions, arrange handicapping and matches. The entry fee where appropriate for all competitions must be paid before shooting commences and cards must be completed by the date specified. Failure to do so will cause instant disqualification.

10. Applications for membership from FAC holders from other Clubs must be accompanied by a reference from an officer of that club and an independent referee.

Applications from persons not members of another Club must be accompanied by two independent references. All applications shall be passed to the Membership Officer.

10.1 All applicants shall serve a minimum probation period of 3 months or longer at the discretion of the Committee and must attend the Range at least five times during that time.

10.2 Membership and joining fees shall become payable on offer of full membership by the Committee.

10.3 Membership shall be withdrawn if such payment is not made within one calendar month.

10.4 Probationary Members must be supervised at all times by an experienced Full Member until judged safe to handle firearms.

10.5 An application for membership must be submitted on the second visit to the Club accompanied by two Passport sized photographs and contact details.

10.6 Membership and joining fees shall become payable on offer of full Membership, this offer will be withdrawn if payment is not made within four weeks.

11. All members of the Club shall be asked to sign a declaration each year on renewal of membership confirming they are not prohibited from possessing firearms and ammunition under Section 21 of the Firearms Act. Any member who has not signed this declaration shall not be authorised to use the range or any other Club facility.

11.1 Following the declaration as stated in section 11 above, and the grant of new or continuing Membership, it is incumbent upon any member who is no longer able to reaffirm the above declaration at any time after the date of signing the original declaration, to inform the Club Secretary in writing by email or letter posted at the earliest possible time in order for the Club to cancel their membership forthwith. Failure to do so, thereby maintaining Club membership, FAC, and possession of firearms and/or ammunition, is a Criminal Offence under Section 21 of the Firearms Act.

12. Members may apply for their children, or children not belonging to them to become cadet members. If the member is not the parent or legal guardian of the child written consent of the parent or legal guardian must be produced. Children must be over the age of 12. The host member must have arranged insurance for children up to that age and produce proof of cover. With the RCO's approval children shall be allowed to shoot under the exclusive, full time, supervision of the host member. Cadet members have no voting rights and pay a token annual fee. At the age of 18 they may become full members without joining fee but liable for normal subscriptions, though these may be waived until full time education ends if the Cadet has been an attending member for five years prior to their 18th Birthday.

13. Annual subscription, joining fees, visitor/probationary charges shall be set at the AGM payable within 28 days of the AGM. A further 14 days grace shall be allowed incurring an increase in subscription of 50% after which, membership shall lapse and the Police Firearms Office be advised. Any former members who wish to re-join the Club shall be subject to the same vetting and charges as new applicants, including visitor's fees and full joining costs. Full membership shall be restricted to 60 full time and 10 Cadets members to ensure all members have the opportunity to shoot.

14. Shooting guests and probationary members are required to pay a fee (determined by the Committee each year) on each visit. This fee must be collected by the sponsoring Club member or official and be recorded in the Range Log and handed to the Treasurer as soon as possible.

15. The Committee has the power to legislate upon any point not provided for in these rules, subject to approval at the next AGM.

15.1 The Committee will give due consideration to any request for change deletion, or new Item to the Club's Constitution. If approved by the Committee, it cannot be put into practice until agreed at the next AGM, sponsored by the Committee, as an item on the published agenda of that AGM. The vote must be carried by a two thirds majority of those members attending and entitled to vote.

16. Any by-laws and regulations made by the Committee shall be posted on the Club notice board and have the same authority as the existing Club Rules, and placed by the Secretary on the agenda at the next AGM, for members' approval. However, items of and in the Constitution require approval at the next AGM before they come into force.

17. All the property of the Club shall be vested in the Committee for the time being.

18. In the event of a member not attending at the Club range for a period of 12 months from 1st October each year, continued membership of the Club by that member shall be considered by the Committee and the Police Firearms Office advised.

19. The Treasurer may hold a working float of up to £120.00 reviewable by the committee after each AGM.

20. All communication received by Committee members in connection with individuals or the running of the Club is deemed to be Club business and must be reported by the recipient at the next Committee meeting.

21. The Committee can remove from the role of members, any member whose conduct at the Club, or elsewhere, is unsafe, objectionable, or unseemly and likely thereby to bring the Club into disrepute. Similarly, the Committee may also remove any member who flagrantly disregards any matter concerning the safety of any Club member, covered by any Club rule, Range Order, or the Club's Constitution.

21.1 Removed members shall have no rights for reimbursement of subscription or joining fee already paid.

21.2 Removed members may appeal in writing under Sections 6 & 7, to the Secretary within 14 days of receipt of notice of their removal from the Club.

22. The Committee must ensure through the Secretary that a minimum of £10,000,000 public and third party liability cover is maintained while shooting at the club for all members and is to be annually reviewed by the committee in light of inflation and as recommended by the National Rifle Association and Police Licensing Authority. Any visiting club using the club range facilities, must provide a copy of their public and third party liability insurance to the Club Secretary before being permitted to use the range and this must be no less than that in force by the club at that time.

23. All Members are required, without exception, to leave the Club Range and Buildings in a tidy condition, ensuring the Sand Bullet Stop is raked to the correct angle; impact holes in the sand are filled, discarded brass and .22 cases are swept and placed in the Brass Box, chairs returned to each shooting point, crockery washed and put away, Target Hut tidied, Red flags to the main wall and gate put away in the Steel Hut, all doors and gates locked and made secure.