

**Peninsular Firearm Academy Inc**  
**Operational Plan of Management – 2025**

The shooting range facility and associated clubhouse at Lot 101, DP 1106750, 439 Mona Vale Road Belrose, will be managed and operated as detailed in this Plan of Management

**1. Use of the Facility**

The Clubhouse will be used for Training Courses, the Annual General Meeting, Committee Meetings, Sub-Committee Meetings and Club related functions for members and their guests, to be held on a regular basis as required, between the hours of 7.00 am and 11.00 pm.

The hours of operation for shooting will be as follows:

Three (3) days rimfire – Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday inclusive between 10am and 5pm AEST (10am to 6pm AEDT).

Two (2) days centrefire to run concurrently on 2 of the rimfire days on Tuesday and Saturday between 10am to 5pm AEST (10am to 6pm AEDT).

1 Sunday per month, for both rimfire and centrefire between 10am and 5pm AEST (10am to 6pm AEDT).

No shooting on the Saturday when shooting happens on the Sunday.

No shooting on public holidays except on 25 April – ANZAC Day, between 10am and 5pm AEST (10am to 6pm AEDT)

Night time events may occur on 3 approved operational weekend days up to 7.00 pm for centrefire and 10.00 pm for rimfire. Written notification will be given a minimum of 2 weeks prior to any special event to residential premises within a 1500 m radius of the rifle range. The notification shall provide details of the event, information on how to lodge a complaint and a contact number of a representative of Peninsular Firearm Academy to receive and action any immediate concerns during the event.

The firearms and ammunition permitted to be used includes air rifles, rimfire rifles, black powder rifles and centrefire rifles. Ammunition must not exceed the ballistic capabilities of .308 Winchester (7.62mm) ammunition at 100m. This complies with the Range Approval issued by the NSW Police.

**2. Operation of the Facility**

The facility is to be operated in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Firearms Act 1996 and the Firearms Regulation 2017.

**3. Safety and Security of the Building**

No firearms or ammunition will be stored on site. No cash will be stored on site.

Club members and visitors will bring their own firearms and ammunition to the site. Peninsular Firearm Academy Inc will also bring firearms and ammunition to the site, as required, for the purpose of training and familiarisation. The transportation of firearms and ammunition will be carried out in accordance with the relevant Act and its Regulations.

The Standing Orders for the club will detail the specific safety measures which are to be implemented at the facility. The standing orders of the club will prevail in the event of any inconsistency between the standing orders and this plan of management.

**4. Noise and other Incidents Management – Complaints Register**

A complaint and/or incident register will be kept by Peninsular Firearm Academy Inc. The register will record all complaints received in relation to the shooting range facility, all incidents that occur at the shooting range facility, which are not part of normal club activities, and the action taken to address the issue. The register is to be available to Council Officers at their request. A copy of the OPM will be kept on site, in conjunction with the complaints/incident register.

All complaints will be made in writing. They may be lodged via email to [secretary@pfainc.org.au](mailto:secretary@pfainc.org.au) or by mail to PO Box 571, Terrey Hills NSW 2084, or via the website contact page. Complaints will be dealt with by the Committee of Management. The only exception to this will be on the occasion of a special night time event, where complaints may be made by telephone. The number for this will accompany the notice of event.

## **5. Traffic Management**

The entrance gate to the shared driveway will be opened by range staff at the start of a shooting day and they will close the gate after the shooting day finishes. No other specific traffic management measures are required.

## **6. Lead Management**

The target catch trays will be inspected every 5 years for lead contamination, and if required, the contaminated waste will be disposed of according to the EPA recommendations and regulations. The design and construction of the targets and bullet catchment enclosure prevents penetration and therefore contamination of any soil.

## **7. General**

All on site maintenance, including weeding, landscaping, building repairs and general property maintenance, will be carried out during daylight hours, subject to normal statutory noise restrictions.

All waste water generated from the building is handled by the on-site worm farm.

In the event that rainfall has been insufficient to keep the water tanks full, water will be delivered.

Normal commercial waste collection arrangements will apply.

## **8.0 Review of Plan of Management**

The Plan of Management is to be reviewed on an as needs basis, or whenever altered conditions of use are being sought.

Notwithstanding this, where the acoustic compliance testing results in exceedances of 87dBA, when measured in accordance with EPA document *Target Shooting Ranges: Application Note for Assessing Noise Compliance October 2015* operational management strategies to mitigate noise shall be put in place immediately and details provided to Northern Beaches Council of these actions taken. Any further operational management strategies needed shall be incorporated into this Operational Plan of Management.

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