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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN FIELD AND GAME

*"The wild life of today is not ours to dispose of
as we please. We have it in trust. We must
account for it to those who come after."
King George VI*

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Firearms Related & Club Range Matters

- *2025 Combined Firearms Council – Range Guidelines, PTA, Range Inspections*
- *2025 Unregistered Vehicle Conditions – for use on Ranges (Friendly reminder)*

Combined Firearms Council – CFC standing for shooters rights!

Combined Firearms Council of South Australia is the State peak body for sporting shooting clubs and organisations in South Australia

COMBINED FIREARMS COUNCIL OF SA Inc
GPO Box 1662, ADELAIDE, SA, 5001



Combined Firearms Council – Update

Date: 16 April 2025

1. Range Guidelines Review

SAPOL has advised there is no significant update at this stage. The review of range guidelines remains ongoing and is being conducted on a **national scale**, with all States and Territories involved. It is expected that it may take some time before a formal outcome is available for stakeholder consultation. We will continue to monitor the situation and keep you informed of any developments.

2. Permit to Acquire (PTA) Applications

Due to ongoing **delays and numerous complaints**, the Firearms Branch has **altered its process** for PTA applications. The branch is currently reviewing internal policies and staff training procedures. Additional staff have been brought in to help address the backlog, with the aim of returning to more **acceptable processing timeframes**.

3. Range Inspections

At present, **only routine inspections** are being carried out. No additional club activities are being approved until further discussions around the revised **range guidelines** are completed. As a result, **all inspections requested by clubs for range certificate upgrades are currently on hold**.

2025 Unregistered Vehicle Conditions – for use on Ranges



Vehicle use 4:00pm January 31st 2025 to 4:00pm 31st January 2026
Member acceptance for operating or using Vehicles on SCA Shooting ranges.

- 1) **CONDITION PRECEDENT:** To the extent a claim is brought by anyone or for any reason whatsoever arises out of or in respect of **Unregistered Motor Vehicles** being used by members of Sporting Clays Australia Inc (SCA), the following shall apply in respect of the ownership, maintenance, possession of or use by you of any Vehicle:

The insurer shall not be liable for any claim or claims where:

- a) The driver or operator of any Vehicle which is not registered and which is not required to be registered and is not otherwise excluded by this Policy does not hold a current driving license to drive the particular Vehicle being driven or operated.
- b) The vehicle does not meet the manufacturer's specifications or the attachments do not meet Australian standards for transporting people.
- c) The claim or claim arises from the carriage of passengers in the motor vehicle not in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications for a motor vehicle. **No passengers allowed on motorised trike, motorised quad bike or motorcycles**
- d) The claim or claim arises from the carriage of a pillion passenger on any, motorised trike motorised quad bike or motorcycle.
- e) Australian Standard protective motorcycle crash helmet must be worn on motorised trikes, motorised quad bike or motorcycles while in motion & comply with Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1698:2006 as a minimum.
- f) The driver or operator of any Vehicle which is not registered and which is not required to be registered and is travelling no more than 15km per hour.

- 2) **CONDITIONS.** The following conditions on this Insurance policy will be recognised:

- a) A maximum Speed restriction of 15kmp.
- b) Any vehicle that has seat belts fitted as standard by the manufacturer to be worn at all times
- c) Trikes, motorised quad bike or motorcycles operators must wear a helmet that complies to Australian/New Zealand Standard AS/NZS 1698:2006 as a minimum

Club.....

Name.....

Signature.....

Date.....

Prior to using any vehicle on the Shooting Range, this document to be signed by all members. This document valid from - **4:00pm January 31st 2025 to 4:00pm 31st January 2026**

It is the duty of shoot organisers to ensure strict compliance with all safety protocols and regulations.

Doing so not only minimises the risk of injury or serious incidents but also serves to protect the organising personnel and the club from potential legal liability or prosecution.

Keeping informed

This *News Bulletin* brought to you by the **State Board**.

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