

Biathlon Range Use Procedures

All users of the Biathlon range are expected to orientate themselves and adhere to the following range use procedures in addition to the [CNSC Biathlon Range Safety Rules](#). Failure to do so may result in the loss of user privileges. Both documents can be found on the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club [website](#).

General

1. Use of the range for individual training, courses, team training and/or competitions **MUST** be approved and booked well in advance. This can be done either through the club manager at manager@caledonianordic.com (250-564-3809) or directly on-line if you have web-site user privileges at: <https://cnscrange.skedda.com/Booking>. This is to avoid any potential conflicts between user groups (e.g. programs users, Cadets, visiting teams etc.). There is a user fee associated with the use of the range. For non-regular range or competition users the fee should be paid at the time of booking of the range.
2. All users of the Biathlon Range must have a:
 - Caledonia Nordic Ski Club Range pass (either an annual or day), available through the rental office.
 - Caledonia Nordic Ski Club Trail pass (either annual or day), available through the rental office.
 - Biathlon BC Membership (either annual or day). Links to purchase can be found on the Biathlon BC [website](#).
3. All users must read and fully adhere to the [CNSC Biathlon Range Safety Rules](#) posted at both the west and the east entrances to the range (also available at the rental office and on the Caledonia Nordic Ski Club website).
4. There must be a qualified Range Safety Officer (RSO) present on the range at all times during range use (refer to [CNSC Biathlon Range Safety Rules](#) for more details). The designated RSO **MUST** wear the orange safety vest and be present on the range for the entire period of range use – no exceptions. The RSO vest is located in the Sea Can.
5. Range Safety Flags are currently stored in the Sea Can at the east end of the range. See [CNSC Biathlon Range Safety Rules](#) for instructions on use of flags and lights.
6. Access past the firing line should only be done at the west and east extreme ends of the shooting apron. Do not cross the firing line at other locations as it will cause damage to the firing line edge. Before going forward of the firing line ensure that green range safety flags or lights are present at each end of the firing line.
7. Metal targets are to be painted (touched up) after **each** shooting session. Appropriate paint should be used. Target paint is currently stored in the biathlon technical building after Oct 15th to May 1st. May 1st to October 15th it can be found in the Sea Can.
8. All misfired bullets must be placed in the yellow sealed steel bullet container that is located in Sea Can.
9. All users of the range must have previous biathlon range experience and complete range orientation before being allowed to use the range or be accompanied on the range by a RSO provided by Caledonia Nordic Ski Club. This must be arranged well in advance.

Range Set up

1. Attach Range Safety Flags to the flag poles at each end of the range and/or turn on the Range Safety Lights. See [CNSC Biathlon Range Safety Rules](#) for flag/light usage directions.
2. Staple paper targets to the target boards at the end of the range. The paper targets and staplers are stored in the Sea Can. If the box is empty, please notify the office.
3. Ensure that your selected metal targets are functioning properly and safely.
4. Roll out the pull cords for the lanes which you are using. DO NOT walk over the firing line once you have reached it with the cord. Either place it over the firing line or hand off to someone standing on the shooting apron.
5. Place shooting mats on lanes as required. Mats are located in the Sea Can
6. Place wind flags in the appropriate location. Wind flags are located in the Sea Can.
7. Open rifle racks on to shooting apron as required.
8. If required, rifle rests can be found in the log cabin adjacent to the Sea Can.
9. Open the range as per [CNSC Biathlon Range Safety Rules](#).

After Shooting

1. Close range as per [CNSC Biathlon Range Safety Rules](#).
2. Brush ALL used shells over the firing line onto the white tarp.
3. Brush/sweep all of the snow off of your shooting mats and return them to the Sea Can.
4. Remove used paper targets from boards and place in the garbage cans located at each end of the firing line.
5. Coil up target pull ropes and store beside the targets.
6. Each of the metal targets need to be carefully painted after each use. Use an outdoor, rust preventing, matte finish paint (black and white). The order in which to complete the target painting is very important so that none of the black areas end up with white paint on them or vice-versa for the white areas. Please use the following painting protocol:
 - a) Put the target in the prone position
 - b) Carefully paint all of the black area (concentrate on painting the mask).
 - c) Put target in standing position.
 - d) Using the white paint, paint the face of the target right to the edge of the white. Don't worry too much if you get a bit of white on the black at this point as this will be addressed in the next step.
 - e) Flip the white paddle-up and paint the black surface that is now flipped down. This is easiest done from the back of the target.
 - f) Leave the targets with the white paddles up and black ones down.



7. Return Range Safety Flags to Sea Can and turn off Range Safety Lights if used.
8. Place rifle racks at the back of the shooting apron (along coaches' fence) so that the groomer can properly access the apron and the stadium.
9. Pick up and take home all garbage with the exception of paper targets and ammunition boxes. **Do not** put food wrappers in the garbage cans as this can attract wildlife – especially during summer months.

Failure to follow *CNSC Biathlon Range Safety Rules and Biathlon Range Use Procedures* can lead to immediate loss of range use privileges.