



**Guernsey Police Tactical Firearms Unit**

**RANGE SOP**

**For**

**Fort Le Marchant 50m Range**

## RANGE STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES (SOPs) FOR GUERNSEY POLICE RANGE AT FORT LE MARCHANT

### The Range.

1. a. **Name:** Fort Le Marchant 50m Police Range
- b. **Location:** Fort Le Marchant, L'Ancrese Common, Vale, Guernsey
- c. **Licence:** The 904 (Authorisation Certificate) and 905 (Safety Certificate) are held by the CFI.
- d. **Facilities:** Fort Le Marchant Range following facilities:
  - (a) 6 lane, 50m High Velocity Range
- e. **Administration:** The range is administered by the Sports and Recreation Service, Beau Sejour Leisure Centre, Amherst, St. Peter Port, Guernsey, GY1 2DL (Tel 01481 747200).

### General

2. The purpose of these Range SOPs is to lay down the procedures to be followed by Range Conducting Officers (RCO's) to ensure the range is operated in line with the Safe System of Training (SST), with a risk to safety that is as low as reasonably practicable

### Range Use

3. The 50M Police Range is situated within the footprint of the 600yd Fort Le Marchant Rifle Range, adjacent to the 300yd firing point. As a result of this a person shall not fire or load a firearm, or carry a loaded firearm on the 50m Police Range when firing is taking place anywhere else within the 600yd range template.

### Weapon and Ammunition Limits

4. In accordance with its 904 Authorisation Certificate this Range is licensed for the weapons and ammunition as shown in these Range SOPs. A summary of this information is shown below:
  - (a) **A maximum muzzle velocity of 3,280 ft/sec. (1,000 m/sec)**
  - (b) **A maximum muzzle energy of 5,160 ft/lbs. (7,000 joules)**
  - (c) **Tracer ammunition is not to be fired on this Range. Hand held automatic fire will not be fired as a matter of routine.**
  - (d) **A maximum muzzle energy for shotgun only of 2579ft/lbs (3,501 joules)**

## **Range Conduct**

5. All practices are to be conducted in accordance with the procedures laid down in The Risk Assessments (Annex C), these Range SOPs and the respective weapon pamphlets. Firing is only to be conducted under the supervision of a properly **qualified, current and competent** Range Conducting Officer (RCO).

The Firearms Ordinance 1987, as amended must be strictly adhered to.

## **Duties of the RCO**

6. The RCO is to be in possession of a fully amended copy of Range SOPs / Range Orders. The RCO is to carry out the duties as listed in the Range SOPs / Range Orders.

## **Administration**

7. The range is administered, in terms of booking arrangements, by the Sports and Recreation Service, Beau Sejour Leisure Centre, Amherst, St. Peter Port, Guernsey, GY1 2DL (Tel 01481 747200) and all bookings for its use must be made with them.
8. Hearing protection must be worn, during shooting details, by any person within the Police 50 metre range area, delineated by the raised banking.
  - a. When firing on the Range all personnel are to wear safety goggles or glasses to prevent potential injury from debris splashing back from the bullet catcher. Officers who wear spectacles may wear safety goggles or glasses over their spectacles or protective glasses or goggles with fitted corrective lenses.
9. All target material is provided on the range.
10. All weapons must be carried by the users or secured centrally. Weapons and ammunition are not to be left unattended or unsecured.
11. All Guernsey Police firearms Instructors are to be 1<sup>st</sup> aid trained and at all times the range is in use a full medics kit and oxygen will be available.
12. On completion of firing all ammunition is to be removed from site. The area is to be carefully checked to ensure there is no loose ammunition left on the ground.
13. All rubbish is to be taken from the site by the users. Alternatively rubbish can be burnt in the braziers. No accelerant of any type is to be used to start the burning process.

## Warning signs, barriers and red flags

14. Warning signs are positioned at prominent locations around the perimeter of the Ranges. These signs advise of the area being a firing range, prohibit entry and warn of high noise levels (see image below).

Red flags, barriers and additional warning signs are to be positioned at the following locations **at least 30 minutes before** firing on any the range commences:

Perimeter Warning Signs:



Red Flags:

- a. Martello Tower No.4
- b. Fort Le Marchant

Barriers:

- a. Access road to Fort Le Marchant
- b. Across both north & south paths at Les Fontenelles
- c. Across footpath at Cracking Tower

Warning Signs

- a. At designated positions between 300yd and 500yd points supported with rope barriers across the main access paths.



## **Look-outs Person(s)**

15. When live firing is taking place a Look-out Person is required in the following locations:
  - a. Top of Martello Tower No.4
  
16. When siting the Look-out Person care must be taken to ensure that they are not positioned inside the danger area. The Look-out Person is to have radio communications direct to the RCO. They must also be in possession of binoculars, a red hand flag, a whistle, an air horn, a copy of the 'Orders for the Look-out Person – 50 Metre Police Range' (See appendix 1 to Annex A), and a Marine VHF Radio, capable of contacting vessels within, or approaching, the sea danger area. They must immediately inform the RCO and order shooters to stop firing, if a ground or air incursion, of the danger area, is about to occur. Specific orders for the sentries are at Appendix 1 to Annex A.

## **Vehicles**

17. Any tactical use of vehicles on the range will be subject of a specific activity based risk assessment.
  
18. No vehicles are to be driven onto the range unless as an integral part of a shooting detail, or for the loading and unloading of equipment. All vehicles not being utilised on a shooting detail are to be parked so as not to interfere with any shooting practice and so as not to cause a potential hazard.

## **Command and Communication**

19. The Range Administrators, for police purposes are Guernsey Police Tactical Firearms Unit (TFU)
  
20. The Officer responsible for the Range is the Chief Firearms Instructor TFU
  
21. The contact telephone number is 01481 719435 / 01481 725111 Ext 2470

## **Danger Area**

22. The range, as well as its land danger area, has a sea danger area.
  
23. This sea danger area is marked on Navigational Charts.
  
24. The dates of live firing are published via the Culture and Leisure website for the information of members of the public who use the Land or Sea danger areas.
  
25. Dates of live firing will also be notified to both the Guernsey Boat Owners Association and to Sea Fisheries, for notification to interested parties.

26. One hour prior to live firing taking place the RCO will make contact with Guernsey Coast Guard, informing them of the times of firing. They will issue a Navigational Safety Warning and put out a VHF broadcast, notifying vessels that live firing is taking place and to avoid the danger area.
27. Prior to live firing taking place the RCO will make contact with Guernsey Air Traffic Control and notify them of live firing, so that necessary steps can be taken to safeguard aviation. If an aircraft, in an emergency or conducting Search and Rescue operation, has to enter the Danger Area, the ATC will contact the RCO and request firing is stopped until the aircraft has left the area.
28. Prior to live firing the RCO will ensure a visual examination of the whole Danger Area, including the shore north of the Fort, the shore to the east and any other areas out of sight of the Look-out position, is completed to ensure no public are in the area.
29. Whilst live firing is taking place the Danger Area will be visually monitored by the Look-out Person in Martello Tower 4.
30. To assist in this visual monitoring the Look-out Person will have access to a marine radar and Automated Identification System (AIS) receiver, linked to a multifunction display. The system will be capable of detecting radar and AIS targets, within the danger area, and will superimpose this information onto the Danger Area template, depicted on the multifunction display.

Signed

Chief Firearms Instructor  
Guernsey Police  
For Chief Officer of Guernsey Police

Annexes:

- A. 50m Range SOPs.
- B. B. Risk Assessments

**These Range SOPs should be re assessed and signed annually**

**Annex A to  
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## **RANGE SOPS FOR GUERNSEY POLICE 50m RANGE AT FORT LE MARCHANT**

### **Range Facilities**

1. This Range is a 50m, 6 lane high velocity full danger area range, allowing firing from all positions from 50m – 3m.

### **Range Management**

2. The Department responsible for the administration of the range, for police purposes, is Guernsey Police Tactical Firearms Unit (TFU).
3. The Officer responsible for this range is the Chief Firearms Instructor (CFI) Guernsey Police. He/she holds a copy of the Range Authorisation Certificate (Form 904) which is also displayed in this range folder.
4. The range and its fixed installations are maintained by the States Works Department.
5. The Range is to be inspected prior to any use by the RCO and monthly and annually by an authorised Police Range Inspector. The inspection is to be completed using the Form 907-2/907A-2 respectively and the date entered in the Range Log (Form 906). Any defects are to be reported in writing to the CFI so that the appropriate maintenance authority can be informed.
6. A Range Log (Form 906) is to be maintained for all users of the range. All details regarding live firing are to be entered by the Users. All details regarding administration (inspections, bullet catcher maintenance, repairs etc) are to be entered **in red ink** by the Administrators.

### **Qualification and Authorisation**

7. Whenever any live firing is taking place a Range Conducting Officer (RCO) is to be present throughout and he/she is to be responsible for all aspects of Range Safety. The **RCO** must be **Qualified, Current and Competent** to conduct live firing in accordance with **Annex C** (Risk Assessments). They are to have a copy of these orders in their possession and are to comply with them.
8. Authorised visiting users are allowed to use the range. They are governed by these orders and are required to abide by the rules and practices laid down in them, including making a suitable entry in the Range Log.

## Permitted Weapons

9. Police Service issue Carbines and Pistols that are within the ballistic limits stated below and on the Range License (904) are permitted.
10. Authorised civilian equivalent weapons are permitted under arrangements made through the CFI. All visiting users are to provide a definitive list, showing the calibre, velocity and energy of all weapons to be fired.

## Permitted Ammunition

11. The permitted ammunition will not exceed the following; (see note 1)
  - a. A maximum muzzle velocity of 3,280 ft/sec. (1,000 m/sec)
  - b. A maximum muzzle energy of 5,160 ft/lbs. (7,000 joules)
  - c. A maximum muzzle energy for shotgun only of 2579ft/lbs (3,501 joules)

**TRACER AMMUNITION IS NOT TO BE FIRED ON THIS RANGE.**

## Permitted Firers

12. Firers are permitted as follows):
  - a. Distance (from)
    - (1) 3m to 50m, 6 firers (one lane per firer) all positions (**prone from 20 metres to 50 metres only**).
  - b. **ALL PERSONNEL AND RICOCHET INDUCING OBJECTS ARE TO BE IN REAR OF THE FURTHEST LIVE FIRING POINT BEFORE FIRING COMMENCES.**
  - c. RCO is to ensure that all firers are aware of the importance of lane discipline and that they have correctly identified their individual lane.

## Instructor/Firer ratio

13. All firing 'details' must be supervised by a National Firearms Instructor who holds at least a Part 1 Range Conducting Officers (RCO) Certificate. All such persons are authorised to act as Range Safety Officers.

The minimum staffing levels should be as follows;

1 firer:            1RCO and 1 RSO



2-4 firers      1RCO and 1 RSO  
5-6 firers      1RCO and 2 RSOs

The number of RSOs will need to be adjusted dependent on the skill level of the firer(s) (for example initial course students may require one-to-one supervision, during the early part of their training). The number will also be influenced by the course of fire.

The ratio of Safety Officers to students must be included in the training package and signed off by the CFI prior to the commencement of training.

Only fully qualified personnel can be utilised as Range Safety Officers. They are to be fully briefed by the RCO.

### **Dynamic Exercises (Lateral and Forwards/rearwards movement on the Range)**

14. A Dynamic Exercise is where the firer is moving across firing lanes on the range either laterally, forwards or rearwards on foot. The Exercise must be controlled so that the firer only ever fires at a target that is within the limits of the sand bullet catcher (BC). Targets in lanes 1 and 6 are not to be used. Firers must fire from lanes 2 to 5 only, to a maximum distance of 50m and remain a parallel distance to each other within the box.
16. For each Exercise there must be a written risk assessment covering this activity, countersigned by the Chief Firearms Instructor / Deputy Chief Firearms Instructor.
17. Prior to the commencement of any exercise the RCO will complete a dynamic risk assessment of that activity. The area will be clearly marked within the parameters set out above prior to the commencement of any dynamic exercise and each firer will be under the direct control of an individual Range Safety Officer.
18. RCO is to strictly enforce lane discipline with firers only engaging targets presented directly downrange.
19. All firing from hand held weapons is to be by single aimed shots. All targets are to be sited so that all aimed shots FROM ANY FIRING POSITION land in the sand bullet catcher.

### **Rehearsals**

20. Before any new details involving any dynamic exercises commence, a full walk/ talk through must take place.
21. Consideration should be given to a dry rehearsal where the drill is complex or involves inexperienced students.

### **Targets**

22. A maximum Target Centre Height (TCH) of 1300mm is to be achieved

Target centre heights will be marked on the profile boards with a red line

Right and left target line will be marked by a white line on the datum board

23. Only Plywood and card penetrable targets, are permitted. All plywood and card targets are to be positioned in the target holders at the target line. Targets will only be exposed by the target operator on the clear orders or signals of the RCO.

### Health and Safety Regulations

24. All persons who are engaged in live firing or who are within the range itself when live firing is taking place **must:**
  - a. Wear the issued ear protection, including inner ear plugs.
  - d. Wear the recommended clothing (*Specific to role*). *Firers to be advised of this in the safety briefing.*

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) will be worn as follows;

Trainers: Suitable footwear, identification tabard and body armour

Students: Suitable operational clothing to cover the arms and seal to the neck.

With the exception of rifle officers, all weapon users must wear eye protection.

Firearms issue footwear or other suitable footwear, where the training involves plain clothes details

Firearms issued body armour, suitable for the activity being undertaken

Where students use plain clothes operationally and this is a requirement of their role, clothing should cover both arms, fasten securely and be capable of being sealed at the neck to avoid hot cases falling into the clothing and being trapped.

- c. Visitors, contractors and any other persons coming into the range must be briefed as to the noise levels and injury hazards; they are to be given protective equipment to wear, consisting of, as a minimum, ear and eye protection (RCO must be made aware).
- d. No persons, whether qualified or not, are to assist on or observe the shooting line without the permission of the RCO.

### Administration

25. The Range Conducting Officer and Range Safety Officers are to familiarise themselves with Range SOPs prior to live firing taking place.

26. Empty cases and any other materials likely to constitute a potential hazard are to be removed from the firing point floor at regular intervals.

### **Medical**

27. The Range Conducting Officer is to ensure that there is a suitable first aid kit on range at all times, its whereabouts is known by all staff and it is easily accessible.
28. The Range Conducting Officer will nominate a first aid officer for each days training.
29. In case of accident or injury refer to paragraphs 35 to 40 of this order.
30. Comply with Guernsey Police procedures relating to injuries on duty.
31. The Range Conducting Officer is to ensure that the following points are covered:

### **Before firing**

- a. The Range Log is to be completed and signed.
- e. The Bullet Catcher (BC) sand is correctly sloped in accordance with the profile boards and the BC and down Range area is free from back splash and ricochet inducing material.
- f. That the Look-out Person is in position and the Danger Area is clear.
- g. That a visual examination has been completed of the whole range and danger area including the shoreline to the north of the Fort, the shore to the east and any other areas out of sight of the Look-out position, to ensure no public are in the area.  
The checking officer will sign as having carried out the visual examination as part of the Safety Brief.
- f. The Range in use and red boundary flags are correctly positioned and all relevant warning signs/barriers and Look-out Person(s) are in place, as shown below.

The flags, signs and barriers must have been in place for **at least 30 minutes**, prior to live firing.

### **Red Flags**

- a) Martello Tower No 4
- b) Fort Le Marchant

### **Barriers**

- a) Across access road to Fort Le Marchant
- b) Across both north & south footpaths at Les Fontenelles

c) Across footpath at Cracking Tower

### **Warning Signs**

- a) At designated positions between 300yd & 500yd firing points, supported with rope barriers across the main access paths.
  
- g. Appropriate first aid cover is to be available and at least one person current and competent in first aid is present.
  
- h. All firers, instructors and Look-out Person(s) have been briefed on Safety, Practices and Restrictions. Sufficient Range Safety Officers are to be employed to ensure safe handling by the firers. (Minimum ratio of 1:4).
  
- i. That communications between the Look-out Person and the RCO are working satisfactorily and that emergency communications are available.
  
- j. That Guernsey Coast Guard and Air Traffic Control have been notified of live firing, in accordance with the instructions above.
  
- k. **Firing is not to occur if all of the checks in this paragraph are not achieved.**

### **During firing**

32. Firing practices are to be conducted as follows:

- a. Weapons are only to be loaded under appropriate instructions given by the RCO and are to be pointed at the bullet catcher during all handling drills.
  
- b. During any stoppage drills of any weapon by any firer, all movement forward of that weapon is to immediately cease and continued movement is only to recommence when the weapon is cleared and personally checked by the RCO / RSO.  
  
During cover and movement exercises the movement forward does not have to cease, however clearing of the weapon will be strictly controlled by the 1:1 ratio of Safety Staff and arcs of fire will be monitored, ensuring the stoppage is cleared towards the bullet catcher.
  
- c. Correct range discipline is to be complied with at all times. Rifle/Carbine/Pistol firers are to be spaced a minimum of 1.5m apart.
  
- d. Eye, body and hearing protection is to be worn by all personnel.
  
- e. The condition of the bullet catcher is to be monitored between details to ensure that ammunition attrition in the areas directly behind the target centres is not allowed to create a backsplash danger.

- f. Movement to the target line is not to be allowed until all weapons are secured in a safe condition.
- g. Movement to, onto and from other locations on the site is to be strictly controlled. No entry or exit is to occur without the personal authority of all RCOs
- h. Pistols are to be kept in their holsters until required for use.
- i. Firing is stopped immediately if;
  - a) Any person or domestic animal is about to enter the Danger Area in front of the firing point or any vessel is about to enter the Danger Area.
  - b) Any aircraft is seen approaching the Danger Area at a height of less than 1500 feet.
  - c) Part or all of the Danger Area cannot be seen by the Look-out Person due to poor visibility
  - d) Communication is lost with the Look-out Person.
  - e) The Look-out person leaves their post

### **After firing**

33. The following points are to be covered in end of practice procedures:
- a. All weapons are to be checked by the RCO or RSO(s) to ensure that they are unloaded.
  - b. All litter and empty cases are to be collected and put into the appropriate bin.
  - c. All unfired ammunition is to be collected and accounted for.
  - d. The Range Log is to be completed and signed by the RCO.
  - e. Any round that has been unintentionally or negligently fired and has failed to be contained by the bullet catcher must be reported to the CFI. It must be reported in the correct manner as an unintentional or negligent discharge and the fact entered into the remarks column of the Range Log.
  - f. The bullet catcher sand is to be checked for serviceable condition, raked back to a 34 degree slope and if maintenance is required this is to be reported in writing in the Range Log.
  - g. All flags, barriers and signs are taken down and stored appropriately

- h. Air Traffic Control and Guernsey Coast Guard are informed of the end of live firing.

### **Cleaning/Lead control**

- 34. The Bullet Catcher sand behind the target centres is to be periodically loosened and cleared of weeds and undergrowth, so that the surface does not compact. This regular maintenance when carried out is to be recorded in the Range Log. PPE is to be worn during this activity, which will be undertaken by States Works. They will be responsible for ensuring the Health and Safety of their staff during this process.

### **Incidents/Emergencies**

- 35. The nearest First-Aid kit & Fire Extinguishers are located in the range bunker.
- 36. The nearest telephone is the RCO's mobile phone.
- 37. In the event of an accident carry out the following procedures:

### **ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORTING PROCEDURE**

- 1. STOP FIRING / ISOLATE THE AREA.
- 2. ADMINISTER FIRST AID.
- 3. PHONE AMBULANCE & RESCUE (Telephone 999 / 112) STATING:
  - a. NUMBER OF CASUALTIES
  - b. TYPE OF INJURIES
  - c. LOCATION OF CASUALTY
  - d. RV FOR AMBULANCE
  - e. YOUR CONTACT PHONE NUMBER
- 4. SEND RUNNERS TO RV POINT (Carpark) AND THE ROAD BARRIER.
- 5. DO NOT TAMPER WITH THE WEAPON/EVIDENCE.

## 6. CARRY OUT FOLLOW UP ACTION AS REQUIRED.

### Further action in case of an accident

38. To assist in the investigation of any accident or incident, weapons or ammunition, all possible causes must be given consideration and all relevant circumstances must be reported. **The Range Conducting Officer should carry out, or arrange for the carrying out of, the following procedures:**
- a. Deal promptly with any casualty(s) and give/ensure first aid is given to anyone requiring treatment.
  - b. Call medical assistance - send a runner, for escort purposes, to the road barrier.
  - c. Check others for unknown injuries.
  - d. Inform the CFI or Deputy, as soon as possible
  - e. Supply staff to escort casualty(s) if required.
  - f. Preserve the scene and evidence IN ALL CASES OF INJURY and in any other appropriate case i.e. positions of personnel, positions of used / non used weapons, ammunition, spent cases etc., consider sketch plan and photos.
  - g. In cases of serious injury DO NOT interfere with the weapon, ammunition, cartridge cases, fragments, bullets or bullet fragments. These must be left in place and preserved intact for a skilled investigator. Chalk the position of any injured person, firer, and any other person or object involved.
  - h. In case's of minor injury / accident, DO NOT attempt to strip or clean the weapon beyond making safe. A record should be made of any loose propellant found in the weapon, magazine, or cartridge case. If the circumstances justify it the weapon should be taken out of service and handed to the force armourer for examination.
  - i. Note the batch or lot number of the ammunition. Segregate and preserve any remaining rounds.
  - j. Keep and note the next round that would have been fired.
  - k. All spent cases associated with the particular weapon must be preserved for examination.
  - l. Make a thorough search for all fragments of metal associated with the incident.
  - m. If the incident appears to be due to a ricochet, carefully examine the range structure for unusual marks.
  - n. Personal injuries to be reported as injuries on duty.
  - o. Notify Supervision, Professional Standards, the Health and Safety Executive

and the Police Association.

p. Remember - Post traumatic Stress - Don't forget yourself.

39. The Range Conducting Officer will take direction from the Chief Firearms Instructor on the implementation of a Post Incident Procedure (PIP)

Where a PIP is commenced the RCO will take direction from the PIP Manager as to the requirements of the investigation.

Where a PIP is not implemented the RCO will provide a report to the CFI covering the following points;

- a. Circumstances leading up to the incident
- b. Position of Witnesses
- c. Position and actions of the student, person injured and instructors
- d. Relevant comments made by the student or person injured
- e. Details of fall of shot or ricochet if seen
- f. If the bullet was identified, whether it was warm or cold to the touch
- g. Was the report of the explosion exceptionally loud or soft
- h. Did the person experience any difficulty when loading
- i. Any history of mechanical malfunction of the weapon, i.e. hard extraction, trigger, hammer or slide jamming
- j. Condition of the weather, lighting ground or floor
- k. Any other relevant factors.

40. On advice of the investigating officer, arrangements should be made for the weapon(s) to be examined by either the force armourer or Forensic Services, as appropriate, as soon as possible.

41. Keep onlookers / bystanders away, especially if occurring in the public domain.

42. Obtain the permission of the Investigating Officer, or Chief Firearms Instructor before firing is resumed.

### **Procedure in the event of an unintentional discharge.**

43. Any incident involving the unintentional discharge of a firearm will be dealt with in accordance with the Unintentional Discharge section of the training SOP.



**ORDERS FOR Look-out Persons – 50 Metre Police Range**

1. You are responsible to the RCO for ensuring that your area of responsibility, the Danger Area, is clear of all persons, vessels and domestic animals, before and during live firing. You do not have powers of detention for people walking on the bridle path.
2. You must be equipped with the following:
  - a. A copy of the Orders for the Lookout Person – 50 metre Police Range
  - b. Radio and mobile phone communications with the RCO.
  - c. A whistle.
  - d. Air horn
  - e. Loudhailer
  - f. Binoculars
  - g. Red hand flag
  - h. VHF Radio (For communication with vessels within or approaching the Sea Danger Area.)
  - i. Clothing appropriate to the weather conditions

**Location**

Top of Martello Tower number 4

**Before Firing**

- a. You will collect all of the equipment from the RCO before being posted.
- b. When posted you are to establish radio communications with the RCO and firing point. In the event of a communication failure make this known by blowing your whistle and or raising your hand flag until the attention of the RCO has been attracted.
- c. You are to set up the radar system and ensure that it is functioning correctly, if you have any doubts that the radar system is not functioning correctly then communicate this to the RCO immediately.
- d. You are to identify the left and right Danger Area boundaries both visually and on the radar multifunction display and ensure that the danger area is clear before firing commences.

**During Firing**

- a. In the event of any person or domestic animal about to enter the Danger Area or any vessel about to enter the Danger Area or if any aircraft should approach or enter the area at a height less than 1500 feet the RCO must be informed immediately and all firing must stop. You are to immediately order, "Stop, Stop, Stop" over the radio and/or sound the Air horn in short blasts.
- b. You should make contact with the person and inform them they are about to enter a restricted area and to not do so. If the incursion is by vessel you should make contact with the vessel utilising Channel 16 on the VHF radio, advising them that they are about to entered restricted waters and to leave immediately. Firing cannot commence again until the person / vessel has exited the danger area. If no contact can be made with the person / vessel the RCO must be informed as such.
- c. If part or all of the Danger Area cannot be seen, due to poor visibility the RCO must be informed immediately and all firing must stop. You are to immediately order, "Stop, Stop, Stop" over the radio and/or sound the air horn in short blasts.

### **After Firing**

- a. You must not leave you post until directed to do so by the RCO
- b. When firing has finished for the day you will ensure your post is clean and tidy. You can lower the public warning flag, 5 minutes after firing has finished. All equipment must be returned to the RCO.

Appendix 2 to Annexe A  
Dated 18/12/18

