

## **AREA TARGET CLUB**

**HOME OFFICE APPROVED AND AFFILIATED TO THE: N.S.R.A**  
*The Rifle Range, Station Road, Stallingborough, Grimsby, NE Lincs DN41 8AX*

### **CONSTITUTION.**

1. The name of the club shall be the Area Target Club
2. The club shall be affiliated to the National Small-bore Rifle Association.
3. The purpose of the club is:
  - a. *To provide facilities for and promote the sport of small bore target rifle shooting.*
  - b. *To enable and encourage all members and potential members to pursue the sport and recreational use of firearms through practice and competition.*
  - c. *To be non profit making with any surpluses accruing used to provide shooting facilities for the membership and under no circumstances distributed to any individual nor the members as a whole.*
4. The standing orders accepted by the Home Office, Military, Police and other properly authorised authorities shall be strictly adhered to by members at all times.
5. Membership will be open to all persons, only restricted by firearms legislation, regardless of sex, age, religion and sexual orientation.
6. The club shall be managed by an elected committee comprising President, Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and up to two other members.
7. The Chairman of the club shall have a vote only in the case of a tie.
8. The Secretary will convene the committee in the case of exceptional developments.
9. Application for membership shall be made through the Secretary. Such applications shall be considered within three weeks of submission. Applicants without a valid Firearms Certificate shall serve a minimum probationary period of three months and or attend the club four times. Any member who has a Firearm Certificate withdrawn will immediately cease to be a member of the club without compensation.
10. Members with children and grand children, aged between sixteen and eighteen, may apply to the committee for their child to become a Cadet Members of the club for an annual fee of £1.00. Children will be allowed to shoot at the range only under the continuous strict one to one supervision of the parent or grand parent, who must be a full member, and at the absolute discretion of the RCO. Cadet members have no voting rights.

11. By signing the Shooters Register members and probationers confirm they are not prohibited from holding firearms or ammunition under Section 21 of the Firearms Act. Members not signing this declaration are prohibited from using the range.
12. Annual subscriptions and joining fees are set at the AGM and fall due on 1 August. If subscriptions are not paid within 28 days membership will lapse and the Firearms Office advised. Subsequent renewal will incur the standard joining fee.
13. The Committee may remove from the role of members any member whose conduct is unsafe, objectionable, unseemly, likely to bring the club into disrepute or who persistently fails to comply with any rule or regulation of the club. Removed members may appeal against the decision of the committee provided notice is given to the Secretary, in writing, within 7 days of receipt of notice of expulsion and may address the committee with another member for support. The decision of the committee will be final.
14. The Annual General Meeting shall be held in August each year with at least 21 days notice in writing to members. A quorum shall be 1/5 of the membership. The AGM will cover; election of officers, club finances, amendments to club rules and amendments to the constitution .
15. If requested an appointed auditor shall examine the accounts at least once annually prior to the AGM, and certify the accounts a full and fair representation of the expenditure and receipts of the club.
16. The committee may pay accounts and incur any normal liabilities on behalf of the club. The committee and officers are indemnified by the club against any claim or demand in respect of any liability properly incurred by the club on behalf of the club.
17. Entry fee for competitions, where applicable, must be paid before shooting in such competitions cards must be completed by the date specified. Failure to do so results in disqualification.
18. Any by-laws and regulations made by the committee shall be published by being exhibited on the club notice board and shall thereafter have all the force and effect of these rules. Any dispute may be raised for clarification by the membership at the next AGM.
19. In the event of the club being wound up the assets shall be made over to the National Small-bore rifle association with no monies distributed to members.

Confirmed: 31 July 2022.