

DELAWARE RIFLE & PISTOL CLUB, INC.
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CLUB INFORMATION

The Delaware Rifle and Pistol Club is a members-only club dedicated to the betterment of the shooting sports by:

- **Protecting and promoting the right of individuals to keep and bear arms.**
- **Encouraging organized rifle and pistol shooting by United States citizens and legal residents.**
- **Increasing knowledge of the lawful and safe handling and proper care of firearms.**
- **Promoting the proper use of firearms in marksmanship programs, hunting, and self-defense.**

Delaware Rifle & Pistol Club is an eight-position, fifty-foot indoor target range open to members twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. The range is heated and ventilated. All .22 and .17 caliber rimfire ammunition is allowed. Centerfire pistol ammunition velocities must be below 1400 feet per second. Centerfire rifles are limited to those chambered for a pistol cartridge with a velocity not exceeding 1400 feet per second when fired from a rifle. Fully automatic firearms, muzzle loading or cartridge firearms using black powder or black powder substitutes, shotguns, shot cartridges, and BB guns are prohibited at the range.

TO JOIN DELAWARE RIFLE AND PISTOL CLUB YOU MUST

- Be **18** years old
- Be legally permitted to own/possess a handgun/firearm (per Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives Form 4473) and be a citizen or permanent legal resident (hold a "Green Card") of the United States. Non-immigrant aliens are not eligible to become members.
- Be or become a member of the National Rifle Association (NRA) and the Delaware State Sportsmen's Association (DSSA)
- Complete the **NRA/DRPC Pistol Training Course, fee \$125.00**. You will be advised when the course is offered and directed when to attend. **The fee is not refundable after you attend the class.**
- After completing the **NRA/DRPC Pistol Training Course**, successfully complete a twenty round marksmanship qualification course in which we expect you to exhibit safe gun handling and place 16 out of 20 shots within a 15 inch circle (6 ring on a B8 target).

NEW MEMBER QUALIFICATION PROCESS

The **NRA/DRPC Pistol Training Course** focuses on general safety instruction, including safe gun handling practices, general firearm knowledge, marksmanship, and rules and procedures specific to the Delaware Rifle and Pistol Club.

- During the qualification procedure, potential new members will be closely observed and graded for their safe gun handling skills, as well as marksmanship. New members are required to place 16 out of 20 shots within an approximately 15” diameter circle.
- Safety performance will be graded using a points system. Students start with 100 points, and violations are counted as deductions. As an example: 10 points will be deducted for each violation of the 3 NRA safety rules -trigger finger, muzzle control, loaded gun on bench. 5 points will be deducted for other safety errors, such as –action not open, magazine in gun on bench. Other handling errors will be deducted at 3 points each, e.g.: fumbling, failure to use eye and ear protection, clearing the firearm. Required score for qualification is 80 points out of 100 total points.

Expectations of Prospective Members

There are certain expectations that we have of prospective members when attending the **NRA/DRPC Pistol Training Course** and/or the New Member Safety and Orientation Class as outlined below.

1. You must show up on time. There is a great deal of information presented and discussed, and trying to make up for lost time means everyone either stays late or some potentially critical information gets missed.
2. You must have read the owner’s manual for your firearm prior to attending class. If you don’t have a manual, one can be obtained by contacting the manufacturer of your firearm. Many manuals are available for download on the manufacturer’s website. Manuals are usually free.
3. You must be familiar with your firearm prior to coming to class. That means that you should know where the safety and slide lock or cylinder release are located and how they operate. You must be able to safely load, unload, and make your firearm safe without fumbling. You must demonstrate good muzzle control (NRA Safety Rule #1) while performing these actions.
4. Come with a positive attitude toward learning or refreshing safe gun handling techniques. Experienced shooters and new shooters alike can benefit from a brush up on safe gun handling and shooting techniques.
5. We expect that you will handle your gun in a **reasonably** safe manner from the outset of the class. The purpose of the class is to improve your safe gun handling and raise your skill level. However, students that exhibit grossly unsafe behavior (“sweeping” the range with the muzzle of their gun, pointing it at any person, etc) even after repeated correction may be asked to leave without gaining membership.

CLASSES OF MEMBERSHIP

- a. **ACTIVE:** Must hold a current NRA membership and Delaware State Sportsmen's Association membership. Active members can vote on Club business, hold elected office, and possess a key to the premises. **New members are on probation for one year from their acceptance date. Probationary members DO NOT have guest privileges for their probationary year. Upon completing the probationary year, the member must attend the Guest Supervision Training Class (approximately 1.5 hours) to obtain guest privileges.** Once the member receives guest privileges, the following rules apply:
- Spouses and children under the age of **18** may be guests at anytime. Other individual guests are limited to four visits per year.
 - No more than three guests may be on the premises at anytime and only two guests may be on the range at anytime.
 - The member must be on the range while guests are shooting and assumes full responsibility for their actions and behavior while they are on the premises.
 - Persons legally prohibited from using a firearm may not be brought as guests.
- The member's key is assigned to the individual and must not be loaned to any other person.**
- b. **SPOUSAL:** The spouse of any member who wishes the full privileges of **Active** membership including the right to vote, hold office, and possess a key, pays one half the Active member rate per year provided he or she meets all the qualifications noted above.

FEES, DUES, AND ASSESSMENTS

- There is a **\$125.00 Pistol Training Course/Initiation fee** for a new member to join.
- Annual dues are \$100.00, which are prorated for new members only if you join after December 31. Spouses pay \$50.00 per year as noted above. Spousal members are subject to the workday assessment as noted below.
- All members are expected to participate in at least one workday of 3 to 4 hours per year. Members who do not complete this service to assist in the maintenance of the club will be assessed an additional \$50.00 per year over the annual dues of \$100.00. This must be paid at membership renewal time. Workdays are scheduled on the first Saturday of each month from 9:00 AM to Noon unless otherwise posted.
- If you are not an NRA member you can join directly and submit proof of your membership or we can arrange for you to join through the Club. NRA dues through the club are now:

\$30.00 (1 year, reg. \$40.00)	\$85.00 (3 year, reg. \$100.00)
\$100.00 (5 year, reg. \$140.00)	\$1000.00 (Life, reg. \$1500.00)
- **You may join the Delaware State Sportsmen's Association online or obtain and application through DRPC. Membership is \$20.00 per year.**

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1. Return completed application with a check or money order for \$125.00, payable to Delaware Rifle & Pistol Club, P.O. Box 6107, Wilmington, DE 19804. Someone will contact you regarding dates for the **NRA/DRPC** Pistol Training Course.
2. **Cancellations and refunds:** If you wish to cancel your application before your class, call or e-mail the person who contacted you and we will refund your initial deposit. If you cannot attend the class you are scheduled for, please call and reschedule at least 24 hours prior to class.