



Teller County Shooting Society

"Promoting the shooting sports and the ideals of self-discipline, good sportsmanship, and good citizenship within our community as well as offering our members and their guests a safe and secure shooting sports facility."

Member Handbook

As of January 2025

Preface

This Teller County Shooting Society ***Member's Handbook*** is a single resource for information about our club. We welcome any suggestions for improving its content.

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I. Background and History

Teller County Shooting Society (hereafter referred to as TCSS) was established in March of 2010 and is registered with the State of Colorado as a not-for-profit corporation and has an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) status of 501c(7): Social Club.

The idea for a local gun range was introduced in October 2009 at a public meeting in Woodland Park, Colorado. The vision was a shooting facility to be in Teller County that would be a safe place for experienced, novice and beginner gun enthusiasts to shoot in a local setting.

Initially, the greatest challenge was to find a suitable and affordable parcel of land on which to construct a shooting range complex. To the club's tremendous, good fortune, in 2013, the Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company (CC&V) provided a total of 263 acres of its property in the Gillette Flats area of Teller County to be used as a range site. Range facilities are limited to a designated 143 within those 263 acres. The CC&V also funded the architectural and engineering expenses involved in the design and permitting of the range construction plan.

To this day we continue to enjoy the benefits of CC&V's vision and community philanthropy with a safe and environmentally responsible shooting sports facility.)

II. Vision, Mission, and Core Values

a. **Vision:** *To be the premier firearms facility in the Teller County region, offering a full suite of full suite of shooting sport opportunities.*

b. **Mission:** *Promote safe shooting sports as well as the ideals of self-discipline, good sportsmanship while practicing environmental stewardship.*

c. Core Values

- i. **Safety:** The TCSS shooting facilities will be safe for its users and the surrounding community. Recognizing that a clean and well-maintained shooting facility is a safe facility, strict rules regarding trash and debris removal will be enforced.
- ii. **Environmental Stewardship:** Stewardship of the environment in and around the shooting range is paramount. The Gold Camp Shooting Sports Center (hereafter referred to as GCSSC) operates at what the National Rifle Association (NRA) terms "the highest possible level of care" for its members, guests, and neighbors, including sound, lead, wildlife conservation and wildfire mitigation.
- iii. **Community Outreach:** While TCSS is a private, non-profit organization, it will not thrive by becoming a closed organization, divorced from the surrounding community. TCSS has worked with the Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company (CC&V) to create a facility that can support the firearms-related programs of such organizations as Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW), the NRA, the Boy and Girl Scouts, the 4-H, other youth groups, the American Legion, Hunter Safety Groups, The City of Cripple Creek, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, etc. Moreover, we will work with Teller County law enforcement agencies whereby they can use the range for official firearms qualifications, etc.
- iv. **Civility and Responsibility:** It is TCSS policy that there will be "zero-tolerance" for acts of violence, harassment or any other behavior that negatively affects the ability of our members and guests to have a safe and rewarding shooting experience at the Gold Camp Shooting Sports Center (GCSSC) or any other TCSS activity.

III. Governance

TCSS is governed by a BoD of Directors comprised of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary, a Range Manager and two At-Large Directors. The club's By-Laws are Appendix A of this handbook. The bylaws are considered legally binding rules that determine how TCSS is operated and also how the TCSS BoD will operate and conduct business. Appendices to the Member Handbook are considered as rules and procedures to the operation and do not in any way supersede the by-laws.

IV. Finances

The TCSS treasurer oversees the financial business of the club. He is assisted by the services of a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) for tax-related activities.

V. Overview of the Gold Camp Shooting Sports Center

- a. The range facilities occupy 143 acres along the east side of Teller County Road 81 in the Gillette Flats area of Teller County, address is 1805 County Road 81, Cripple Creek, CO 80816. GCSSC is a multi-venue shooting facility operated by the Teller County Shooting Society (TCSS). This facility is operated and maintained to the highest standards of safety and environmental stewardship. The GCSSC is safe for its users and the surrounding community.
- b. The *Range Rules and Code of Conduct* detailed in the appendix of this handbook provide GCSSC users with specific information on the how the GCSSC operates and its safely rules. The rules are required reading for all GCSSC users, and-all new members prior to their being authorized to access the facility. In addition, all new members are required to attend an on-site range safety orientation.
- c. Another purpose of these rules is to continually evaluate the needs of GCSSC operating procedures as they relate to existing and planned use of the facility. Safety rules and requirements will vary somewhat with each activity, i.e., rifle, pistol, trap, skeet, sporting clays and archery.
- d. Utilities: There are no electrical, water, natural gas/propane or land-line telephone utilities at the GCSSC. Trash and toilet services are provided by commercial vendors and monitored by the TCSS Range Manager.

VI. Venues and Firing Positions

- a. Current Shooting Venues
 - i. 25-yard covered handgun range.
 - ii. 100-yard covered rifle range with multiple shooting benches.
 - iii. 400-yard rifle with berms and metal targets at 200/300/400 yards.
 - iv. Trap and Skeet shotgun range (not yet fully operational).

VII. Operations

a. General Safety

- i. TCSS has established *Range Rules* based on National Rifle Association (NRA) standards. TCSS also requires range safety orientation training for all users. Any members requiring the range safety orientation training should contact the Range Orientation Coordinator.
- ii. Operating hours at the GCSSC are daily from sunrise to sunset unless there is a club sponsored event scheduled, in which case, check the event details for impacts to range availability on the club website www.tcsc-co.org.

VIII. Security and Access

- a. GCSSC is physically secured by fencing and a member-only padlock combination required access gate. Signage has been placed at intervals along the fences to notify that the property is a private shooting range. Despite these precautions users should visually inspect ranges before using to insure there have not been any breaches of security.
- b. *Providing access to the GCSSC facility to non-TCSS members or other users without specific authorization is prohibited.*

IX. Environmental Stewardship

a. General Cleanliness

- i. TCSS has Contracts with a waste removal and port-ta-potty services to provide toilets and trash receptacle. Moreover, receptacles for discarded shell casings and other refuse are provided. Firing line areas users should pick up/clean up their discarded casings after each use and remove discarded shell casings for appearance and safety purposes. All materials will be re-cycled whenever possible. The Range Manager is responsible for the services at the range. If you are aware of any issues with the range cleanliness, contact the Range Manager.

b. Lead Mitigation

- i. As needed, accumulated lead will be removed from the GCSSC the ranges and particulate lead will be neutralized in and around the range firing lines. The time period between lead remediation efforts will be based upon range usage and estimated annual lead accumulation. Please sign the range log book when using the range to ensure we have accurate data upon which to estimate lead remediation requirements (Also, the number of hours the range is utilized will support applications for grants to improve the range).

c. Wildfire Hazard Mitigation and Fire Mitigation

- i. The Cripple Creek Fire Department (CCFD) will respond to fire-emergency calls. Call 911 or direct at 719-689-0292. The TCSS Fire Mitigation Policy is included as Appendix H.

d. Wildlife Habitat Impact

- i. The Colorado Department of Parks and Wildlife (CPW) has surveyed the GCSSC and provided a list of wildlife impact mitigation recommendations. *There will be absolutely no shooting of wildlife or animals of any kind at the GCSSC.*

X. BoD Contact Information

Position	Name	Email
President	Jim Dickey	jwd1@tds.net
Vice President	Tom Caddell	Tcaddell7@gmail.com
Treasurer	Khris Myers	khrissem@gmail.com
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Recording Secretary	Wayne Hasle	jwhasle@icloud.com
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At-Large Director	John Pfundstein	jpgfundstein@yahoo.com
At-Large Director	Tom Beck	thombbeck@gmail.com
Non-BoD Positions		
RSO Coordinator	Laurel McKinney	mountainjaybirds@outlook.com
Range Orientation Coordinator	Matt McCarthy	mtnlvr1463@gmail.com

For more information about the Teller County Shooting Society access the website <https://tcss-co.org/>

Appendix A: Bylaws

Bylaws of the Teller County Shooting Society

As amended January 10, 2025

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ARTICLE I – Name and Governance

The name of this organization shall be the Teller County Shooting Society, Inc., hereafter known in these By-Laws as the TCSS. These bylaws are considered the overarching rules that determine how TCSS is to be operated and how the TCSS BoD will operate and conduct business. Appendices to the Member Handbook are to be considered as rules and procedures for the operation of TCSS and do not in any way supersede these bylaws.

TCSS is a private, 501c7 not-for-profit organization with the mission of promoting the safe and responsible ownership and use of firearms as guaranteed by the Second Amendment of the United States Constitution and the Colorado State Constitution, Article II Bill of Rights, Section 13. It is our further mission to promote the shooting sports in general as well as the ideals of self-discipline, good sportsmanship, and good citizenship within our community. These objectives shall be advanced by offering the residents of our community safe, secure and private facilities that can be effectively utilized by novice and experienced shooters alike.

ARTICLE II – Vision, Mission, Core Values and Goals

Vision, Mission and Core Values

Vision and Mission Statements along with Core Values are documented in the TCSS Member Handbook. First developed in 2020, the BoD will review and update every five years beginning in 2025.

Goals

In the 4th quarter of each calendar year the BoD shall develop the Goals for the upcoming year. Goals, along with specific objectives/milestone dates, will be provided by email to the general membership during the first quarter of the year and reviewed at the Annual Meeting. The President has ultimate accountability for ensuring goals and objectives are updated and completed.

ARTICLE III – Membership

- A. Any citizen or legal resident of the United States, 18 years of age or older, is eligible to become a member. Applicants must complete a membership application, render dues payment, complete the GCSSC Liability Release and Waiver form, and attend an on-site range safety orientation. Membership cards will be provided once everything is completed.
- B. A spouse of the primary member, 18 years of age or older, and a citizen or legal resident of the United States, is eligible to be an Associate Member and must also complete the GCSSC Liability Release and Waiver form and attend a range safety orientation.
- C. The term “Member” hereafter denotes a “Member-in-good-standing,” defined as one whose dues are current and who is not under suspension or pending other potential adverse action by the TCSS.
- D. All members shall adhere to and agree to the following PLEDGE: *“I certify that I am a citizen or legal resident of the United States of America; that I am at least 18 years of age; that I am not prohibited from possessing a firearm under the laws of the United States or of any of its federated states, territories, or the District of Columbia; and that, if admitted to membership, I will fulfill the obligations of good sportsmanship and citizenship and abide fully with the Bylaws and all range rules.”*

E. Types of Membership:

- a. Primary: An adult, 18 years of age or older.
- b. Associate: A spouse 18 years of age or older, residing at the same residence of a Primary Member.
- c. Charter Members: Members who established membership on or before March 24, 2010. They may upgrade their membership at the 2010 membership rate of \$150 in perpetuity.
- d. Legacy/Multi-Year Members: Beginning in 2009, ending in 2018, multi-year memberships were offered. By paying an additional fee those members established a multi-year Bronze (5 years), Silver (10 years), Gold (15 years) or Platinum (Life) membership.
- e. Member Emeritus: An honor and status conferred by the TCSS BoD to a Member to show respect for a very distinguished career. This unique and very selective status is awarded due to the member's many contributions and hours of service.

F. Guest Allocations:

- a. Guest allocation numbers are as follows:
 - i. Regular Primary members: Limited to 3 guests/month
 - ii. Platinum/Lifetime Members: Limited to 20/guests/month.
- b. The following applies to all members:
 - i. Guests are defined as those people that have never been a member of TCSS
 - ii. The same guest cannot visit the range more than 3 times during the membership year.
 - iii. No more than three adult guests per visit limited to two active shooters; all other persons must be behind the Red Line.
 - iv. Five or more adult guests constitutes a "group" and would need to be pre-approved via the "Group Range Use" policy.

- G. Membership information shall not be disclosed to any person who is not a member. Any request to inspect membership data must be made in writing stating the purpose. The BoD, in its sole and absolute discretion, may either approve or deny such requests. Under no circumstances shall personal information, other than a member's name and mailing address, be disclosed to any other person or entity including, but not limited to, members of the TCSS. Members shall not disclose the identity of fellow members without that member's approval. These restrictions protect Members' security and privacy.
- H. Copies of the TCSS Member Handbook, including the Range Safety Rules and Code of Conduct, shall be furnished to each Member upon approval of the Member's application.
- I. TCSS is an National Rifle Association (NRA) affiliated range and does receive certain benefits such as local FNRA grants, range listed on the NRA website and NRA affiliation status. Individual membership in the NRA, or any other organization that provides Second Amendment support, is highly encouraged, but not a prerequisite for membership.
- J. TCSS is a volunteer-driven, member-owned, member managed, and member operated organization. TCSS has no paid employees and is completely dependent upon member volunteers for its day-to-day operation. As such, ALL members are expected and encouraged to take ownership and do their part.

K. Member Dues

- a. Existing Member Renewal Dues: Beginning February 1, 2024, new member dues increased from \$150 to \$175.
- b. Charter Members, defined as those who established membership prior to March 24, 2010, may upgrade their membership at the 2010 membership rate (\$150) in perpetuity.
- c. New Membership Dues: Beginning January 1, 2024, new member dues are \$175. New member dues are prorated to \$100 beginning August 1 through December 31.
- d. The membership year for all Members runs from March 1 through the end of February of the following year. The renewal process will be initiated in early January by the Membership Secretary.
- e. The annual dues amount shall be reviewed annually and adjusted as necessary by the BoD of Directors prior to the end of the calendar year.
- f. Membership dues, once paid, are non-refundable if a member decides to leave the club.

ARTICLE IV – Group Range Use

- A. At times there will be various groups, not directly related to TCSS, that may want to use the range for basic firearms training or other group firearms related activities. An individual requesting the use of the range is required to submit a group usage request form to the TCSS Board of Directors (BoD). Final approval of the request and the decision as to whether to charge a fee is at the discretion of the BoD.
- B. Event Day Cancellations: In the event of bad weather or any other valid reason, the event lead is responsible for cancelling and/or rescheduling. No BoD approval vote is required. However, it is expected that when canceling an event, the BoD will be contacted and given advance notification, a minimum of 24 hours in advance if possible. The lead will also contact the webmaster and communications team, should a website update and email distribution be required. For Public Days, the RSO Coordinator is the lead and has cancellation privileges in the event of an RSO shortage.

ARTICLE V – Meetings

- A. Annual Membership Meetings: An Annual Meeting will be held the first Saturday of March. If it cannot be held on that date, it shall be held as soon as possible thereafter, and members of the BoD of Directors (BoD) shall remain in office until their successors have been elected and seated. Notice of the meeting date, time and location will be made to all members at least 30 days prior to the meeting.
- B. Meetings of the BoD: BoD meetings shall be scheduled by the President and held as necessary. BoD meetings may be called by the President, or by a majority of the BoD. Notice of the time, date, agenda, and place of every meeting of the BoD shall be given by the President to the BoD of Directors prior to the meeting.
- C. Quorum: Five members of the BoD shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the BoD. If less than five members are present, the majority present may adjourn the meeting without further notice. The act of a majority present at a meeting at which a quorum is present, shall be the act of the BoD, unless the act by a greater number is required by law, by the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws. Each member of the BoD, including the president, shall have one vote on all matters.

- D. General Membership Meetings: General membership meetings will be scheduled quarterly. The purpose is to conduct business, inform members of activities and provide guest speakers on topics relevant to the Membership. The Vice President will reserve the location of the meetings and make sure the notice and agenda of the meetings is sent to the membership via email within fourteen days of the meeting. Unless otherwise noted, if the General Membership meeting contains a topic requiring a vote by the Membership, the issue in question shall be decided by a simple majority of the voting Members present at the meeting.
- E. Voting: Matters referred to the membership by the BoD shall be decided by a simple majority of voting Members present at the meeting. Voting will be conducted and votes counted at the Annual or at a General Meeting for which the issue was noticed. Each membership is allocated one vote.
- F. Conduct of Meetings: All meetings shall be conducted using Roberts Rules of Order, Eleventh Edition.

ARTICLE VI – Officers and BoD of Directors (BoD)

- A. Officers: TCSS Officers shall be the President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary, and Treasurer. All Officers must be current members, elected by a majority vote of the Members voting at the Annual Meeting. There is no limit to the number of terms an Officer or BoD member may serve. Each membership is limited to one BoD position.
- B. BoD of Directors: The BoD shall consist of the TCSS Officers, the Range Manager and two At-Large Directors. Other than the Range Manager, all members of the BoD are elected by the Members. The Range Manager is appointed by the BoD and confirmed by the Members at the annual meeting. The Range Manager and At-Large Director qualifications are identical to those of Club Officers. TCSS will maintain liability insurance, Treasure to coordinate, covering the TCSS, its serving BoD members and all previous BoD members. All BoD of Directors shall hold office for two years and are subject to election and/or appointment on alternating years. All members of the BoD have an equal vote in voting related matters.
 - a. The administration of the affairs and business of the TCSS shall be vested in the BoD and it shall be the governing body.
 - b. The Chairperson of the BoD shall be the President and shall preside over all meetings.
 - c. Resignation of any member of the BoD will be effective on the first day of the month following the President's receipt of a written notice of resignation.
 - d. A vacancy on the BoD may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the BoD until general elections are held at the next Annual Meeting. However, if more than one vacancy exists, a Special Meeting will be called and new Directors shall be elected to fill the vacancies until the next Annual Meeting.
- C. Committees: By resolution adopted by a majority of the BoD, the BoD may designate two or more members of the BoD to constitute a committee, any of which shall have such authority in the management of the corporation as the BoD shall designate and as shall be prescribed by the Colorado Revised Nonprofit Corporation Act.
- D. Compensation: Members of the BoD shall not receive any stated salaries for their services.

ARTICLE VII – Duties of the Officers, Range Manager and At-large Directors

- A. President: The President shall preside over all membership and BoD of Director meetings, shall be a member ex-officio of all regular and special committees and shall perform all other duties as pertain to the office. The President and/or Vice President have final signature approval for contractual and financial documents signatory approval as outlined in ARTICLE VIII.
- B. Vice President: In absence of or at the request of the President the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President. The Vice President will also serve as the club's primary person responsible for ensuring that TCSS General Membership Meetings (GMMs) and BoD meetings are organized, agendas developed in advance of the meeting date. The President and/or Vice President have final signature approval for contractual and financial documents signatory approval as outlined in ARTICLE VIII.
- C. Recording Secretary: The Recording Secretary shall conduct all official correspondence. The Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of all meetings on the TCSS BOD cloud-based data storage system (CBDSS), accessible to all BoD members.
- D. Membership Secretary: The Membership Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining the membership rolls, the Member Handbook, for processing membership applications and credentials and for tracking membership liability waivers and payment of dues. The Membership Secretary also serves as the email Communication Manager including the quarterly newsletter and all other member email updates.
- E. Treasurer:
 - a. Responsible for receiving and accounting for all TCSS funds and for development of and reporting on the annual budget. Prepares and presents annual budget for approval by the BoD in the 4th quarter of every year
 - b. Receive and promptly pay all vouchers, invoices, and budgeted items necessary for the maintenance and operation of TCSS per section VIII.
 - c. Maintains custody of all financial records and keep an accurate accounting of all financial transactions on the TCSS BOD cloud-based data storage system (CBDSS), accessible to all BoD members. Reports on expenditures and bank balances at all BoD meetings.
 - d. Ensures the timely preparation and filing of tax returns. An accountant/CPA supports state and federal tax reporting for TCSS and monthly profit and loss statements and balance sheets to the treasurer.
 - e. Primary responsibility for coordination of review and payment of annual liability insurance policy.
 - f. Primary responsibility for coordination of review and approval of a new Grazing Agreement (property tax reduction) every five years (in August) beginning in 2024
 - g. Coordinates with the grant manager to ensure grants are appropriately funded, monitored, paid and an accurate cost account is maintained.
- F. At-Large Directors: The at-large directors serve as a voice for the general membership, reporting issues and concerns back to the BoD. At-large directors are expected to take a lead role on other duties such a committee lead.

- G. Range Manager: The Range Manager is responsible for monitoring the range and ensuring its upkeep including a periodic cleaning well as physically closing and opening the range as necessary.

ARTICLE VIII – Contracts, Purchase Orders, Invoices and Fiduciary Responsibilities

- A. Contracts: Contracts require BoD review and approval prior to work activities being initiated. Final signature approval to be made by the president and/or vice president.
- B. Purchase Orders: Purchase orders, including a formal vendor/contractor quote, require BoD review and approval prior to any activities being initiated. Final signature approval to be made by the president and/or vice president.
- C. Invoices: Contract invoice approval will be made by the person most familiar with the work, provided to the Treasure for payment and to the BoD as an FYI.
- D. Non-Budgeted Expenditures: Non-budgeted expenditures not related to an approved purchase order require BoD review and approval prior to payment.
- E. General and Administrative and Budgeted Expenditures: General and Administrative and Budgeted expenditures less than \$1,000 can be paid by the Treasure without prior approvals.

ARTICLE IX – Election of the Officers and Directors

- A. Election: The election of Officers and Directors shall be during the Annual Meeting as scheduled according to these by-laws. The President, Vice President, Treasurer and At-Large position One shall be up for election in even numbered years. The Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary and At-Large position Two shall be up for election in odd numbered years. The Range Manager is to be appointed by the BoD and confirmed by the membership in odd numbered years.
- B. Procedures for Election: A minimum of 30 days prior to the Annual Meeting, all members shall be notified of the date, time, and location of the meeting and of the positions to be available and the opportunity to nominate members for those positions. Nominations, with agreement from the nominee, for Officers and BoD positions may be submitted prior to the Annual Meeting or presented at the meeting. Self-nominations are encouraged. The Recording Secretary shall prepare and deliver ballots to all members at the Annual meeting. The ballots shall list all nominees and shall also provide for write-in votes. All ballots will be tallied at the Annual meeting and the results made known to all members present at that time.
- C. Qualifications to Hold Office: To hold office, one must be a current TCSS Member in good standing. Each membership is limited to only one position.

ARTICLE X – Suspension or Expulsion

- A. Any BoD of Directors member may be removed from office by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any special meeting called for that purpose. Fifteen calendar days' advance written notice must be provided stating the

reasons for removal and the time and place at which a vote on removal is to be taken. A full hearing shall be provided to present all the allegations as well as the right to present documentary and testimonial evidence, and the right to cross-examine witnesses. Any such removal from office does not result in suspension or expulsion of membership, unless separate action for suspension or expulsion is also taken pursuant to the below.

- B. Charges against any member alleging a violation of any Range Rule or these By-Laws may be brought by any other member. Such charges shall be in writing, clearly stating the facts relied upon and accompanied by any affidavits or exhibits, which are to be used in support of said charges. Such charges shall be filed with any BoD member, who will immediately notify the President. The President will call a meeting of the BoD to hear the charges. Charges shall be provided in advance to each member of the BoD, the accuser, and the accused, notice of such meeting in writing and shall include a true copy of the charges and of the supporting affidavits and exhibits.
- C. At such BoD of Directors meeting, the accused member shall be given a full hearing including, but not limited to, the right to hear all the allegations, the right to present documentary and testimonial evidence, and the right to cross-examine witnesses. On completion of the hearing, the member may be suspended or expelled for cause deemed sufficient by the BoD of Directors by a two-thirds vote of the members of the BoD present at subject meeting. No vote on suspension or expulsion shall be taken unless at least fifteen (15) calendar days' advance notice in writing has been given to the member specifying the charges and the time and place of the meeting at which such charges will be considered. Membership dues and fees will not be refunded if a member is expelled or suspended from the club.

ARTICLE XI – Real and Personal Property Disposition

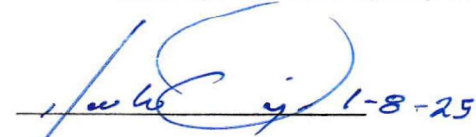
- A. The real property conveyed by the Cripple Creek & Victor Mining Company by a Special Warranty Deed, dated May 7, 2013, with Reversion (occupied by Gold Camp Shooting Sports Complex) shall not be subject to conveyance, transfer, sale, encumbrance, borrowing upon, mortgaging, or hypothecating in any manner. Authority for the sale, transfer, disposal, conveyance, encumbrance of, or purchase of additional real or non-real property shall be vested in the BoD.
- B. In the event the TCSS is dissolved, all real property and improvements shall revert to the Cripple Creek & Victor Mining Company or their successor and as described in the Special Warranty Deed; distribution of remaining club assets to members shall be determined by the BoD and as allowed by any applicable tax codes.


ARTICLE XII – Changes and Amendments

- A. Members may propose changes to these Bylaws, or amendments thereto. Proposed changes will be considered and voted upon by the members at the Annual Meeting or a General Meeting. A two thirds majority is required to decide the issue. The proposed changes may be submitted to the Recording Secretary thirty days prior to the meeting.
- B. The Recording Secretary shall compile and have a summary of the proposed changes (section a above) to the members by email, not less than twenty-one (21) calendar days prior to the meeting called for such purpose. Voting will be conducted and tallied at the meeting and the results made known to members at that time.

- C. The BoD of Directors may also change said by-laws, if a minimum of five of the eight BoD members vote in favor of the proposed change. A summary of the approved changes shall be provided by email to all members. Changes made by the BoD of Directors found unfavorable by the membership may be rescinded at a General Membership meeting by a majority of members present.

These By-Laws were duly adopted by the TCCS BoD, effective as of January 3, 2025


Jim Dickey – President


Tom Caddell – Vice President

Appendix B: 2025 Goals



2025 GOALS

Trap and Skeet Range

Develop a prioritized list of required tasks no later than March 1, 2025. Priority tasks required for the range to be initially operational for member shooting to be completed no later than July 1, 2025.

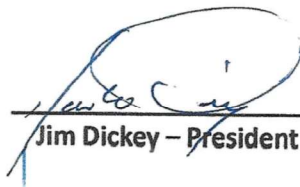
Range Maintenance


Develop a detailed and prioritized list of range maintenance requirements no later than March 1, 2025. High priority tasks to be completed no later than September 1, 2025.

Grants

Develop the following

- a. CPW Shooting Range Grant, submit no later than March 15.
- b. CPW Small Range Grant, submit no later than September 1.
- c. Friends of NRA Grant, submit no later than October 1.

 1/7/25
Jim Dickey – President

 1-8-25
Tom Caddell – Vice President

Appendix C: Range Safety Rules

- **When The Range Is Declared “Hot”:**
 1. Wear proper eye and ear protection.
 2. Keep your finger OFF the trigger until ready to shoot.
 3. Firing is permitted ONLY when everyone is behind the firing line
 4. The designated range officer will then announce the range is hot.

- **When The Range Is Declared “Cold”:**
 1. Remove magazine, open chamber and insert chamber safety indicator on **ALL FIREARMS**.
 2. Shooters will collect ALL brass.
 3. Once 1 and 2 are completed:
 - Shooters released to proceed down range to check targets
 - If not checking targets, everyone MUST REMAIN behind the **RED LINE** and away from ALL Firearms until range is again declared hot.
 4. NO handling or possessing of any firearms whatsoever while the range is cold.
 5. The 100 and 400-yard ranges MUST be cold at the same time.

- **At ALL Times/ALL Firearms:**
 1. Remain UNLOADED until ready to use.
 2. Pointed in a safe direction.
 3. Treated as if they are loaded.
 4. Uncased and Recased at the shooting benches **ONLY** when the range is Hot.
 5. Carried with the muzzle up and action open.
 6. When firearms are not in use:
 - Action opened
 - Magazine removed
 - Chamber safety indicator visible

Appendix D: Range Code of Conduct

- **Entering the Range:**
 1. Lock the gate behind you.
 2. Raise the range flag.
 3. Sign the range sign-in book.
 4. Display membership cards.
 5. Communicate with fellow shooters.
- **Range Basics:**
 1. Range hours are sunrise to sunset.
 2. The use of alcohol, marijuana and illicit drugs is strictly prohibited.
 3. No Smoking other than the designated area.
 4. Shooting in authorized areas only and at proper targets.
 5. No shooting at any type of wildlife.
 6. Shotguns are NOT Permitted on the 25, 100 and 400-yard ranges.
 7. Fast draw from a holster is prohibited unless approved by an RSO.
 8. If a scheduled RSO is on duty, the RSO is responsible for safety enforcement.
- **Departing the Range:**
 1. Clean up all brass and trash.
 2. Lower the range flag.
 3. Sign out of the range book.
 4. Lock the gate and scramble the code on the padlock.
- **25-yard Pistol Range:** Restricted to handgun and rimfire calibers.
- **NOT ALLOWED AT ANY TIME:**
 - Tracer Ammunition
 - Armor Piercing Ammunition
 - Incendiary Ammunition
 - Exploding Targets/Tannerite
 - Automatic Fire Weapons

Appendix C: Range Safety Rules for Steel Target Use

(adopted January 11, 2024)

OUR HIGHEST PRIORITY IS SAFETY. Steel targets, while fun and instructive to shoot, have an inherent risk, and **MUST** be placed in accordance with these Rules in a manner that minimizes deflections and ricochets that can endanger participating shooters or bystanders. **ALWAYS** inspect steel targets prior to use. **NEVER** shoot steel targets that are cratered, pitted or damaged in any way. Shooters and bystanders using steel targets will observe **ALL** TCSS range safety protocols such as appropriate eye and ear protection.

The term “Steel Targets” shall be defined as follows: **ONLY** hardened steel targets that meet specific standards of thickness and hardness as defined by AR400/AR500/AR550 (AR=Abrasion Resistance) steel that is designed to be used as a point of impact for target shooting may be used. **NO** soft steel is allowed.

Every effort should be made to place targets so that missed shots, considering shooting position, will impact on the berms. Targets must be stationary in placement and angled downward at least 15 degrees or more so that deflections will impact the area in front of the target and not in a sideways or vertical direction.

Steel targets may be suspended but cannot freely swivel or turn (i.e., hung on nails, rope, Shepard’s hooks, etc.), ensuring that there is no possibility of ricochet in a sideways or vertical direction. Rotating targets may be used and are subject to the same placement rules.

Armor-piercing, Steel core, solid copper, penetrator, Russian Silver Tip, Wolf Steel Jacket, XM-855 military green tip ammunition, or **ANY** ammunition with steel in it of any caliber may **NOT** be used when shooting steel targets. 50 BMG may **NOT** be used to shoot steel targets. BB’s, steel shot or air gun pellets may **NOT** be used to shoot steel targets. Each shooter is responsible for knowing the type and characteristics of the ammo they are using.

A reminder that **Tracer, Armor Piercing, and Incendiary Ammunition is not allowed**, at any time, on any range.

The Target manufacturer’s guidelines and recommendations will be followed when shooting reactive steel targets along with the following **Mandatory Minimum Distances**:

Centerfire Rifle: 100-yards

Centerfire Pistol (No magnum calibers): 10-yards

Rimfire Rifle Pistol: 10-yards

On rifle ranges, centerfire steel targets must be placed at the berms. Pistol shooters, or anyone shooting less than 25-yards, will use the 25-yard pistol range.

WATCH FOR RICOCHETS; Bullets and splatter can deflect and go in unknown and unpredictable directions. If you become aware of rounds impacting other areas, shooters will immediately cease fire, and targets will be reconfigured or repositioned to correct the problem.

SHOOT STEEL TARGETS AT YOUR OWN RISK - MAKE SMART CHOICES AND DECISIONS.

Appendix F: New Member Range Orientation Brief

All new members must attend an on-site range orientation prior to receiving their membership card and code for the gate padlock. The **TCSS Range Orientation Coordinator (TCSS ROC)** is responsible for conducting orientations and for recommending updates to this document.

- Club History Overview – First Memberships in 2009
- Volunteer opportunities – **Please Volunteer**
- Membership
 - ALL memberships expire March 1 of each year
 - Spouse allowed as associate
 - No minors as members (<18)
 - Annual membership fee of \$175, due prior to March 1, not prorated.
- General regulations/range access
 - Padlock on gate:
 - **To open the new lock, line the combination #'s up with the black dots/line in the top of the window.** If you put the combination lined up on the seam in the center it will not open.
 - To relock, close the hasp first and scramble the numbers.
 - **Always lock the gate behind you after you enter.**
 - **Member ID to be visible while at the range**
 - Hours of operation Sunrise to Sunset
 - Wildlife observations – Do not Shoot any animals
 - **Book signage:**
 - **Members AND Guests sign upon arrival;**
 - book is normally in cabinet at the 100-yard shelter.
 - Flag raising/lowering:
 - **Raise the orange flag upon arrival, lower and place back when leaving.**
 - normally in the cabinet on the back wall, upon arrival and departure.
 - Pole is to the immediate left of the 100yd range.
 - Housekeeping/Brass – Cleanup when finished
 - **Communicate w/fellow shooters (100 and 400 must be cold at the SAME time, because of the berm between them, the 25 is separate from the 100)**
- Overview of each facility (400-yd., 100-yd, 25-yd. & Skeet/Trap)
- Range Safety/Code of Conduct overview (PLEASE REVIEW):
 - Gun handling
 - Range hot/cold
 - Communication with other shooters
 - No alcohol or smoking
 - Use of chamber indicators
 - Target Stands – most will fit the PVC holders
 - **STAND BEHIND THE RED LINE WHEN RANGE IS COLD – No handling or touching of firearms!**
- Guest Policy:
 - All guests must sign the sign in book which is the same as signing a one-day liability waiver.
 - Members are limited to a maximum of 3 guests/month
 - The same guest can attend no more than 3 x year.

Appendix G: TCSS FACT SHEET

The Teller County Shooting Society (TCSS), operators of the Gold Camp Shooting Sports Center (GCSSC), was established in March of 2010. TCSS is registered with the State of Colorado as a not-for-profit corporation and has an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) status of 501c(7): Social Club. We are a private organization with the mission of promoting the safe and responsible ownership and use of firearms. We offer the residents of our community safe and secure shooting sports facilities that can be used by novice and experienced shooters alike.

TCSS is governed by a BoD of Directors comprised of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Membership Secretary, a Range Manager and two At-Large Directors. BoD meetings are held bimonthly and all-membership meetings are held quarterly.

The Gold Camp Shooting Sports Center is located on Highway 81 near the intersection of 81 and 67 in Gillette Flats, just east of the KOA Campground. GCSSC is a multi-venue shooting facility operated and maintained to the highest standards of safety and environmental stewardship. The total property encompasses 263 acres and the range itself encompasses 143 acres, consisting of seven old mining claims, with the land donated to TCSS by the Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mine. The GCSSC is open to members daily from sunrise to sunset unless there is a scheduled club sponsored event, or unforeseen circumstance. In which case, check the event details for impacts to range availability on the club website www.tcass-co.org.

Current shooting venues at the GCSSC include a 25-yard covered shelter handgun and small caliber pistol range; a 100-yard covered shelter handgun/rifle range and a 400-yard rifle range with berms and metal targets at 200/300/400 yards. The 100-yard range has timber target support rows at 25, 50, 75 and 100-yards all connected by recycled asphalt walkways. Construction of shotgun skeet/trap shooting venue is in progress. The majority of our physical facilities are funded via grants from Colorado Parks & Wildlife.

Any citizen or legal resident of the United States, 18 years of age or older, is eligible to become a member. New members must complete a membership application, a liability waiver, pay dues (\$175) and participate in an on-site formal range safety orientation. Dues are prorated to \$100 on August 1 for new members. The membership year for all members runs from March 1 through the end of February the following year. Members are allowed to bring guests but no more than three in one day. Bringing the same guest multiple times is highly discouraged. On an annual basis our membership roster is ~400+ total members with ~260 of those being the primary, dues paying member.

Public Days for non-members are hosted on weekends from May through October as a way to increase our membership and provide support for the financial grants we receive for range improvements.

TCSS is a member-owned club and has no paid employees. As such, the success of our club is completely dependent on the continued efforts of our member volunteers. Volunteerism and participation in our various committees and activities is highly encouraged. ***For more information and/or to apply for membership see the TCSS website at: www.tcass-co.org.***

Appendix H: Fire Mitigation Policy
(Updated December 2024)

General Information

- Firefighting equipment is in the 100-yard range shelter: shovels, rakes, and fire extinguishers
- No tracer or incendiary ammunition, or exploding targets/Tannerite of any kind are allowed
- Shooters will be extra vigilant during Orange and Red Flag Warning Days and Stage 1 and 2 fire bans
- Smoking allowed only in designated area
- No fires are allowed anywhere on range property

Orange and Red Flag Warning Days

Per the current Teller County Fire Ban Guide, recreational shooting at the GCSSC is allowed with caution.

Stage 2 Fire Ban

Per the current Teller County Fire Ban Guide, recreational shooting at the GCSSC is allowed with caution.

Stage 3 Fire Ban

The GCSSC will be fully CLOSED. TCSS will communicate the fire ban status to all members via e-mail both when the range is closed and then reopened and the website will be updated. The Range Manager or member of the TCSS BoD of Directors will lock the gate to prevent access by anyone until the Stage 3 fire ban is reduced or lifted.

Key Contacts:

Teller County Sheriff: (719) 687-9652
Victor Fire Dept; (719)-689-2886
Cripple Creek Fire Dept; (719)-689-0240
Teller County Emergency Management: (719)-686-7990

TCSS Contacts:

Jim Dickey – President: 720-235-5412
Jerry Smith – Communication: 713-303-0519
Doc Corder – Range Manager: 719-271-4021

Appendix I: Committee Chair Duties

Range Safety Officer (RSO) Coordinator - Responsible for the club's RSO program including training, recruitment, scheduling and maintaining the club's database of current RSO's. Maintains a record of RSO volunteer shifts/days and public attendees. The RSO Coordinator attends and participates in all BoD meetings but is considered a non-voting member. Qualifications include being a current TCSS member as well as a current NRA certified RSO.

This is a volunteer/non-elected position.

Grant Administrator: Responsible for financial grant solicitations and proposals. Works closely with the BoD of Directors. Maintains contact, and a viable working relationship with appropriate outside agencies. Responsible for re-affiliating annually with the NRA and all other organizations with which the TCSS is affiliated.

This is a volunteer/non-elected position.

Web Site Administrator: Responsible for the design, development, maintenance and troubleshooting of the club website. Experience includes implementing security protocols, modifying programs, creating backups, resolving software problems, and updating content.

This is a volunteer/non-elected position.

Range Safety Orientation Coordinator: Responsible for the Club's new member range orientation program. Works closely with the Membership Secretary to ensure all new members attend an on-site range orientation and safety briefing before TCSS membership badges are issued and range access is granted.

This is a volunteer / non-elected position.

Appendix J: Group Range Usage Request Guidelines

The below are intended as guidelines to assist the TCSS BoD during the review and approval process of the Group Range Usage Request form. The guidelines will help the BoD review all requests in a consistent and fair manner. Ultimately the BoD has the authority to decide whether or not to approve the request and if approved, the stipulations that will apply.

1. The **Group Range Usage Request Approval Form** (next page) is to be completed by group range use requestor and submitted to **any TCSS BoD member** for their initial review for accuracy and completeness. The TCSS Liaison will submit the completed form to the BoD for review. That BoD member will then serve as the Liaison and point of contact with the group throughout the review process.
2. The proposed group activities must be in alignment with the Special Use Permit (SUP) granted to TCSS by Teller County. Those activities must be related to, and in support of firearms related activities. And if so, no additional County related permits are required. Per our SUP no preparation of food is allowed on-site.
3. The applicant must provide proof of Liability Insurance, \$1,000,000 minimum, at least two weeks prior to the event.
4. The group must provide a qualified range safety officer to monitor the event. Qualifications and/or certification must be provided at least two weeks prior to the event.
5. During the review the BoD will discuss and determine such things as the following:
 - a. Group usage fee; Activities that are profit based will be charged a fee determined by the BoD. Non-profit will receive consideration for a reduced or waived fee.
 - b. In support of our youth (18 & under), special consideration for a reduced or waived fee will be given to organized youth groups (girl scouts, boy scouts, church groups, etc.)
 - c. If the event results in revenue for the requesting party, we may agree to a revenue split in addition to the shooter fee with BoD approval
 - d. If TCSS has to provide Range Safety Officers (RSO's), a fee will be determined by the BoD.
 - e. The closing of the range during the activity is a BoD determination. As a general rule with larger groups, the specific range being used will be closed to members and the public.
6. A TCSS BoD member or a designated TCSS member is required to be present during the group activity.
7. For larger groups. Due to safety concerns, our SUP requirements, and our limited parking, the number of participants and/or vehicles may have to be limited at the range.
8. If there are more than 50 planned attendees the requesting group may be required to reimburse TCSS for additional porta-potties.
9. Upon approval the BoD Member Liaison will send a confirmation packet to the group representative confirming dates, times, any special range requirements, RSO's required, and fees. Included will be a copy of GCSSC Range Rules and Waivers.

Appendix K: Group Range Usage Request Application

The information below is to be completed by range use requestor and submitted to the designated TCSS BoD member.

Group Name: _____

Group Representative's Name: _____ Signature: _____

Phone #: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Preferred Date (s): _____ Preferred Times: _____

Total # of Expected Attendees: _____

Is the group providing their own Qualified Range Safety Officers (RSO)? _____ If so, provide qualifications.

Does the group have liability Insurance? _____ If so, provide liability certificate.

Support required from TCSS: _____ If RSO's, how many? _____

Purpose for Range Usage (attach a separate sheet if more space is needed):

Important: Everyone 18 years of age and older and over is required to sign and date the Gold Camp Shooting Sports Center Liability and Waiver prior to or upon entering the range. All minors in attendance under 18 must have a Minor Waiver signed by their parent or legal guardian.

TCSS Representative: _____

Date: _____

Note: The below to be completed by TCSS.

Amount of guest fee? _____

TCSS RSO required? _____

Yes / No

Range to be opened to members during guest usage? _____

Yes / No

Request Approved? _____

Yes / No

Comments: _____

TCSS President or designee: _____

Date: _____

Appendix L: GCSSC Liability Release and Waiver - Adult

Gold Camp Shooting Sports Center (GCSSC) - Liability Release and Waiver - ADULT

I acknowledge that all persons using or visiting the GCSSC facilities are required to read and sign this Liability Release & Waiver, releasing the Teller County Shooting Society (TCSS) and its affiliates, subsidiaries, partners, officers, directors, employees, and agents from any and all claims for mental/physical, bodily injuries or other damages resulting from or incidental to use of the GCSSC facilities and participation in any and all activities on GCSSC property.

Anyone who elects not to sign this Liability Release & Waiver is prohibited from entering GCSSC property and using GCSSC facilities.

I acknowledge that I am familiar with the safe and proper use of firearms, and that I have read and understand the GCSSC Range Safety, and Code of Conduct Rules, and agree to abide by all such Rules. TCSS reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to modify those Rules at any time.

I understand that GCSSC is a shooting sports facility, and engaging in, or being present, during shooting sports is an inherently dangerous activity, and I assume the risks, dangers, or damage that may occur in connection with such activities at GCSSC. I understand that the GCSSC is not monitored by a Range Safety Officer ("RSO"), or supervisor of activities, except in the case of certain public events.

I understand and acknowledge that by signing this document I am giving up certain legal rights and/or possible claims which might be otherwise asserted or maintained against TCSS or its affiliates, subsidiaries, partners, officers, directors, employees, and agents or other persons or entities. I also understand and acknowledge that, except as otherwise provided herein or at law or equity, by signing this document I have assumed responsibility and legal liability for the claims or other legal demands, including defense costs, which may be asserted as a result of my use of the GCSSC.

I AFFIRMATIVELY STATE THAT I AM UNDER NO DURESS OR UNDUE INFLUENCE AND AM SIGNING THIS LIABILITY RELEASE & WAIVER OF MY OWN FREE WILL, AND HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE TERMS CONTAINED HEREIN.

Name: First: _____ Last: _____

Street or PO Box: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

I have read and agree to abide by the Liability Waiver. _____
Printed

Signature Date

Appendix M: GCSSC Liability Release and Waiver – Minor (<18)

I acknowledge that all persons using or visiting the GCSSC facilities are required to read and sign this Liability Release & Waiver, releasing the Teller County Shooting Society (TCSS) and its affiliates, subsidiaries, partners, officers, directors, employees, and agents from any and all claims for mental/physical, bodily injuries or other damages resulting from or incidental to use of the GCSSC facilities and participation in any and all activities on GCSSC property.

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I AFFIRMATIVELY STATE THAT I AM UNDER NO DURESS OR UNDUE INFLUENCE AND AM SIGNING THIS LIABILITY RELEASE & WAIVER OF MY OWN FREE WILL, AND HAVE READ AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE TERMS CONTAINED HEREIN.

A parent or legal guardian must sign for a participating minor agreeing that they and the minor are subject to all terms set forth in this document. The parent or legal guardian must accompany the minor at all times while the minor is on the premises.

Minor: First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Age: ____ Birthdate: _____

Minor: First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Age: ____ Birthdate: _____

Minor: First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Age: ____ Birthdate: _____

I have read and agree to abide by the Liability Waiver.

Parent/Legal Guardian Name

Signature

Date

Appendix N: GCSSC – Emergency Response Contacts

In the event of an emergency, violation, or incident at the GCSSC Range be sure to contact the appropriate agency or person(s) listed below depending on the type of incident and the level of severity. In case of a severe incident, please call 911 immediately.

Cripple Creek Fire & Emergency Services: 719-689-0292

Cripple Creek Police: 719-689-2125

Victor Volunteer Fire Department: 719-689-2284

Teller County Emergency Management: 719-686-7990

Teller County Sheriff's Office: 719-687-9652

CPW District Wildlife Manager Tyson Floersheim 719-227-5200

TCSS Contacts

Communications: Jerry Smith 713-303-0519

President: Jim Dickey 720-235-5412

Range Manager: Doc Corder 719-271-4021