



**SHOOTER APPLICATION / RENEWAL  
& CLUB BY LAWS  
Thunder Tactical Shooters Club (TTS)**

Yearly Member Dues/Insurance: \$10/year (collected from all members)  
2012 TTS fees: \$5 - Wednesday evening practice matches, \$8 - Saturday monthly IDPA handgun and DMG (defensive multi-gun) matches. Thunder Gun Range fees are separate.

**SHOOTER CONTACT INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

IDPA #: \_\_\_\_\_ USPSA #: \_\_\_\_\_ NRA #: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any physical limitations that the club should be aware of?

YES / NO If yes, please explain:

**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relation: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES ARE PAYABLE WITH THIS APPLICATION.** Annual membership fees will be prorated, for new members only. Annual membership fees are due January 1st of the new year and will be considered delinquent on January 31st of the respective year. All membership fees must be accompanied by this completed application and before TTS will issue a current year membership card

"I, \_\_\_\_\_, certify that I am legally able to possess a firearm in the state of Texas, and that all of the information provided on this application is true and correct. I agree that I have read and will abide by the By-laws of Thunder Tactical Shooters Club and by the safety rules of Thunder Gun Range (TGR).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please make all checks payable to:

Thunder Tactical Shooters Club  
Mail to: Eric Cooper  
Attn: Secretary/Treasurer  
106 E. Foxbriar Forest Circle  
The Woodlands, Texas 77382

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VOTED ON AND RATIFIED IN December, 2011 BY MAJORITY VOTE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

**I. Club Name:**

Thunder Tactical Shooters Club hereinafter referred to as TTS.

**II. Objective:**

The members of this club have voluntarily associated together in order:

- A. To provide and promote shooting sports to all qualified persons.
- B. To promote safe and responsible firearms use within our community.
- C. To encourage support of those rights guaranteed by the second amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America and encourage the preservation of those rights.
- D. To encourage participants in shooting sports to develop those characteristics of self-control, honor, integrity and politeness which are hallmarks of the competitive shooter.
- E. To enjoy a safe and fun environment for all shooters.
- F. To provide a very friendly environment while encouraging fellow shooters to participate in both social and competitive shooting events while maintaining trust, honor, integrity and civility/politeness amongst all fellow club members & other shooters.

**III. Membership:**

- A. Any person that may legally possess a firearm in the state of Texas may become a member of the club.
- B. **All minors (under the age of 21) MUST be accompanied by an adult guardian, who can legally possess a firearm, for any type shooting event. (matches, practice, training, etc.)**
- C. There are two types of memberships:

**TYPE I Members:**

- a. Yearly membership fee is \$10 for insurance coverage assistance.
- b. Have nominating & voting privileges as prescribed by the TTS Board of Directors. (Nominating and voting rights are limited to the following: TTS IDPA club Officers/Board of Directors, Match Directors, & Assistant Range Managers)
- c. Each Type 1 member is expected to assist in the following throughout the year:
  - a. TTS club Safety Officer duties as needed.
  - b. Match scoring duties
  - c. Scheduled work days
  - d. Set-up and tear down for scheduled matches
  - e. Working at major club sponsored match
  - f. Other activity pre-approved by a TTS Officer/Board Member.
- d. Have access to the TTS portion of the Thunder Gun Range (TGR).
- e. Can attend all club functions.
- f. Automatic renewal.
- g. Returning past member membership's status will be determined by the Board of Directors.

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- h. Can fully utilize all TTS equipment due to their voluntary club roles and responsibilities and as recognized by the Board of Directors: (Assistant Range Managers, Match Directors)

## TYPE II

- a. Yearly membership fee is \$10 for insurance coverage assistance.
- b. Do not have nomination or voting rights in TTS club activities.
- c. Each Type II member is expected to assist in the following throughout the year:
  - Match scoring duties
  - Safety Officer duties as needed
  - Assist with scheduled TTS workdays
  - Assist with match set up when possible
  - Assist with tear down activities
- d. Can utilize designated TTS equipment per approved access method by the TTS Board of Directors. (Stands and sticks only if pre-approved by the BOD per Type II member) Note; this access may be restricted at any time to any or all Type II members.

## IV. Dues:

The club membership year shall be from January 1 through December 31 of the respective year. Dues must be paid by January 31<sup>st</sup>.

## V. Club Meetings:

There shall be three types of meetings:

**A.** The club will hold regular bi-annual meetings with the year end meeting including elections of club officers for the following year. A financial statement shall be made available at each of these meetings. Standing meeting invitations will go out to all Type I members.

**B.** Special meetings for the general membership may be called by the President at any time with a two week notice to any or all Type I and II club members. Notice will be via TTS website and/or email.

**C.** Board of Director meetings will be held two to three times a year beginning in January after the election of club officers. These meetings may be part of the regular club bi-annual meetings. Any club officer may call a Board of Directors meeting any time they deem it necessary.

Note: All members should feel free to send in suggestions to any or all of the TTS Board of Directors at any time.

## VI. Club Officers/Board of Directors:

**A.** The term of office shall be from January through December each year. Club officers shall be elected by majority vote of the Type I members present at the last regular monthly meeting held of that current year. The Board of Directors shall select the format to gather nominations and votes from the Type I members.

**B.** The elected officers shall be President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, and Range Manager. Acting together they shall be known as the TTS club officers.

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C. TTS will have a Board of Directors, which will consist of the elected officers, previous year officers, and one or more Director positions. The TTS club officers will select other Board members if required. . The Board of Directors size should always consist of an odd number of members.

## **VII. Duties of Officers:**

### **A. The President shall:**

1. Be the club's representative to the public and all affiliated shooting organizations.
2. Maintain a positive working relationship with the gun range owner(s) and serve as a key TTS negotiator with the Range Management.
3. Be responsible for overseeing the other club officers to ensure that they are fulfilling their responsibilities.
4. Ensure that all actions carried out conform to the club bylaws.
5. Appoint a protest committee to rule on protests at matches or delegate this to the Match Director.
6. Have authority to or delegate authority to their appointed representative to direct any person to leave the range if deemed necessary.

### **B. The Vice President shall:**

1. Assume the duties of the President when necessary.
2. Be responsible for assigning match directors and filling in for vacancies.
3. Serve as the TTS Match Director coordinator.

### **C. The Secretary/Treasurer shall:**

1. Keep records of all official club meetings.
2. Keep track of all club member status in the club.
3. Coordinate the sign up table at club matches, and have a current club membership roster available.
4. Maintain accurate records of the club's financial standings and create financial statements.
5. Be responsible for dispensing funds necessary for putting on matches and maintaining the equipment.
6. Report financial standings to the BOD at least quarterly. (Bank account balance & approximate outstanding expense summary total at the reporting time)

### **D. The Range Manager is responsible for:**

1. Keeping an inventory on all targets, tape, stands, barricades, and other equipment necessary for putting on a match
2. Assuring all TTS equipment, lighting, shooting surface areas and dirt berms are kept in good working order.
3. Walking all stages to ensure there are no safety violations.
4. Scheduling workdays.
5. Assigning regular duties to Assistant Range Managers.

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## VIII. Duties of Members:

- A. By joining TTS, each member is acknowledging their willingness to work at matches and be involved in other club functions; i.e., range clean up, match setup and tear down/storage, and club workdays, practice set up and tear down/storage.
- B. By joining TTS, each member is acknowledging their willingness to at all times be aware of the basic firearms safety rules and apply them continuously to themselves and ensure they are followed by others.
- C. By joining TTS, each member is acknowledging personal responsibility for using safe gun practices at all times, adhering to TGR Safety rules and sign-in requirements.
- D. By joining TTS, each member acknowledges that they take full responsibility for any insurance/liability coverage when using the TTS shooting area at Thunder Gun Range in a NON - TTS sponsored event. E.g. (practice, training, etc.) TTS insurance coverage only applies to TTS sponsored shooting activities as posted on the TTS web site.**

## IX. Membership Benefits:

**(NOTE: TTS insurance coverage only applies to activities scheduled on the TTS web site including: Scheduled practice sessions (Saturday/Sunday, Wednesday night matches, monthly TTS club matches, classifiers, and other scheduled events posted on the web site.)**

- A. TTS will supply all members with a TTS membership card upon signing of required TTS waiver and By-Laws.

This card will be used to identify members to the TGR range management. Members wishing to shoot in the IDPA open bay areas outside of the scheduled TTS events are required to present their membership card to the TGR staff. TGR staff will decide if a member will be allowed to shoot in the IDPA open bay areas.

- B Each Type I and Type II member shall have access to TTS target stands and sticks. All members must check-in at the TGR range office any time they are at the range and pay the requisite TGR Range Fees. A combination lock will be available for some TTS target stands for all members to use. All TTS members are required to lock the target stands and replace target sticks after use and before departing the range.

Note: All other storage and locked equipment will only be used during scheduled events/matches, or as needed by any Type I member. Type I members will have more access as a privilege for being a key working volunteer of the TTS IDPA club.

- C. All members have the right to participate in all club matches as well as any other event which is organized by the club.
- D. Type II members may send in suggestions to any Board member or request permission to attend club meetings and voice their concerns or suggestions.

## X. Member Suspension/Removal:

- A. Membership and club privileges may be suspended for willful unsafe acts, actions negatively impacting TTS, attempts to under mind the general TTS club objectives or gross unsportsmanlike behavior. This action must be taken by a majority decision of the TTS Board of Directors.

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- B.** Permanent or temporary removal of a member must be voted on by the TTS Board of Directors. The member pending permanent removal need not be present at the meeting for this action to be taken. A Board of Director's meeting can be of any format chosen by the TTS Board of Directors.
- C.** Failure to pay requisite Thunder Gun Range fees or other actions that might endanger the TTS relationship with Thunder Gun Range owner and/or management may result in suspension or termination of club membership. This action must be taken by a majority decision of the TTS Board of Directors.
- D.** Any TTS club Officer or Board member may remove a person from the range for one day if they deem it necessary.
- XI. Range Rules: The following rules apply to members of Thunder Tactical Shooters Club ("TTS") who want to shoot IDPA style at Thunder Gun Range ("TGR") at times other than during "TTS" scheduled events. These rules also identify who is permitted to use the "TTS" Club equipment. NOTE: TTS insurance does not cover anyone outside of a scheduled TTS event. Shooters are accepting all responsibility and liability when shooting outside of scheduled events. TGR management will decide if a shooter can shoot in the IDPA style open bays after presenting the TTS membership card to TGR staff and depending on open shooting bay area availability.**
- A.** No rifles or shotguns are allowed in the pistol bays without prior approval of the "TGR" management.
- B.** Shooters understand that the "TTS" Club accepts no responsibility or liability for safety of the shooters, spectators, or the "TGR" property. Each shooter understands and accepts all inherent dangers and liabilities that are involved with using firearms.
- C.** Any shooting will be done in strict accordance with IDPA and NRA safety rules.
- D.** "All shooters who bring a non-member (new) shooter with them to TGR will accept full responsibility for those parties with regards to safety and TTS rules".

Our ability to follow the "TGR" rules will determine our future at this facility. The owner of the Thunder Gun Range has been very gracious in allowing us to conduct events that are not in strict compliance with his existing public range rules. E.g. (drawing from holsters, shooting on the move, rapid fire shooting, etc.) It is our responsibility to ensure everything we do is done in a safe and responsible manner. We need to keep our relationship on cordial terms, or risk the loss of our club's range privileges.

Any questions on this change in policy should be directed to a "TTS" Club Officer or Board member.

## **2012 TTS Board of Directors**

Al Liczwek – President/Officer

Ricky Gilbert – Vice President/Officer

Eric Cooper – Secretary/Treasurer/Officer

Charles Morris – Range Manager/Officer

Darrell Sells - Director

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## **XII. Club Finances:**

- A. All expenses for range improvements, maintenance, props, and club items under \$500 only need to be approved by one other officer.
- B. Except for targets, all expenses over \$1000 must be approved by the majority Board of Directors.
- C. All approved expenses incurred by club officers must be accompanied by a receipt or invoice to receive reimbursement.

## **XIII. Amendments to Club Bylaws:**

- A. Club bylaws may be reviewed and may be amended two times per shooting year at any of the club meetings. Any proposals to change the Bylaws must be announced at least 30 days prior to the meeting at which they will be voted on. Any changes will be voted on and must pass with a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.