

# Telemark Biathlon Athlete Safety Agreement

All participants at the Telemark Biathlon Range must abide by Provincial and Federal Firearms Regulations.

1. Safety is of primary concern at Telemark Biathlon Range.
2. Each participant must possess a PAL and/or be directly supervised by a designated supervisor, who is legally qualified and who possess a PAL.
3. From the Canadian Firearm Safety Course:

## ACT

- Assume every firearm is loaded
- Control muzzle direction at all times
- Trigger finger must be kept off the trigger and out of the trigger guard
- See that the firearm is unloaded

## PROVE it safe

- Point the firearm in a safest available direction
  - Remove all ammunition
  - Observe the chamber
  - Verify the feeding path
  - Examine the bore each time you pick up a firearm
4. Travel to and from parking lot must be either in a locked hard case or in a soft case with bolt viewing window, have the bolt open and have a trigger lock on.
  5. A biathlon Range Safety Supervisor (RSS), responsible for opening and closing the range and for enforcing all safety rules, must be present for any event when the range is in operation. During individual training, one of the people using the range must assume the function of the RSS; this must not be an athlete who is training.
  6. A red flag indicates the range is open for shooting and a green flag indicates the range is closed for shooting. These are under the control of the RSS. The RSS will indicate "The range is open, the range is open!" and the red flag is raised. Upon completion of range use, the RSS will ensure all rifles are safely off the firing line (unloaded, bolts open), then indicate the range is closed and raise the green flag.
  7. Treat all rifles as if they are loaded. All firearms must be pointed straight up, or down range on an open range only.
  8. For those biathletes not required to carry a rifle in competition, the bolt must be open and the clip removed before the biathlete leaves the firing line after completing shooting. When not in use, unloaded rifles must be placed in a rifle rack with the bolt open and the clip removed.
  9. Rifles may not be left unsupervised.
  10. All users must be a member of Biathlon BC or be members of a provincial, territorial or national biathlon association.
  11. All mis-fires will be handled by the RSS.
  12. No horseplay at any time.

I have read, understood and will follow all of the above safety rules. I agree to follow the Telemark Biathlon Range Safety Policy.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name)

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