

# Northam & Districts Gun Club inc

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Noise Management Plan  
2024.

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**1. Venue details**

<u>Name of venue:</u>	Northam & Districts Clay Target Club. (The range)
<u>Location of venue:</u>	Lot 201, Katrine Road, Northam, WA, 6401.
<u>Owner of venue:</u>	The Northam & Districts Gun Club.
<u>Occupier of venue:</u>	Northam & Districts Gun Club inc. PO Box 138 Northam, WA, 6401 (the occupier)
<u>Affiliations:</u>	Western Australian Clay Target Association (WACTA) Australian Clay Target Association. (ACTA)
<u>Venue maps:</u>	Attached.

**2. Application**

The noise management plan (NMP) applies as follows.

- While the occupier is the owner of the range.
- To shooting activities at the range organised by the occupier.
- To the emission of noise from the range during shooting activities.
- From the date of approval by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Shire of Northam until the expiration of approval.

**3. Types of shooting activity**

- Types of activities: Club competitions, open events, State and National Championships, practice shooting / training / coaching sessions.
- Disciplines: Disciplines conducted at the club include All Trap / Down the Line disciplines including Double Barrel, Single Barrel, Points Score, Continental, Double

Rise, Handicap, Walk Up, Champion of Champions plus Skeet disciplines and 5 Stand Sporting disciplines.

- Types of firearms: No firearms other than shotguns of 12-gauge, 20-gauge, 28-gauge, 410 gauge with barrel lengths no shorter than 63cm are to be discharged on the range.
- Types of ammunition: Shotgun cartridges with a load limit to 32 grams measure and shot size no larger than 6.

**4. Limitations on live fire shooting activities:**

- a. Shooting activity has been reduced to absolute minimum to achieve the best outcome for the community.
- b. Live fire shooting may occur during scheduled or practice sessions on the following allocated days and times.

Wednesday: 1pm to 6pm

Saturday: 1pm to 6pm

Sunday: 10am to 6pm. (average one per month, maximum of 14 per year)

Sunday 8:45am – 6pm. (once per year)

Should any unforeseen circumstance arise preventing use of the range on a particular day, then another day may be substituted. Local Government to be informed of change of dates, notice required as per Section 6.

- c. Live fire shooting may occur during a special event which consists of a 3 consecutive day event on one occasion in a 12-month calendar year on the following days and times.

Friday: 12pm to 6pm

Saturday: 7:30am to 6pm

Sunday: 7:30am to 6pm

- d. In addition, there will be no practice sessions on the Wednesday prior to and the Wednesday immediately after the 3-day event.
- e. Live firing outside the times above is prohibited, unless it is a special event open to the public and the CEO, Shire of Northam has been notified that the special event will take place.

- f. Live firing is also prohibited on the following public days:

Christmas Day: all day

Good Friday: all day

Anzac Day: before noon if within an allocated day.

## **5. Measures to control noise emissions:**

### *A. Access to range*

1. To prevent noise emissions due to unauthorised use of the range, the access gates shall always be kept locked except during scheduled shooting meetings and practice sessions, or during a special event.
2. Only members who are approved by the Club Management Committee shall be issued with a key for the entry gates. All persons entering the range are required to sign the attendance book including time of entry and departure.

### *B. Limits for permitted loads*

No cartridge with a load greater than 32 grams shall be discharged at the range.

### *C. Scrutiny and testing of cartridges.*

- a. The President shall be responsible for testing and recording the weight of cartridges. The President may nominate a representative to conduct testing on his behalf as and when required.
- b. Cartridges will be randomly checked and recorded.
- c. If a firearm at the range emits a level of noise conspicuously louder than that of other firearms in the same class at the meeting, the President or their representative may conduct a cartridge check as appropriate for that firearm and take appropriate action.

### *D. Written instructions to members*

The Club Management Committee shall provide club members with a copy of the noise management plan, and it is the members responsibility to maintain the noise

limitation requirements, compliance with the noise management plan and the penalties that apply for breaches of these requirements.

#### *E. Signage*

Permanent signage at the entrance to the range and visible to the public will stipulate a NMP is in effect, and a contact email.

### **6. Notice of shooting activities:**

Notice of the program for scheduled shooting activities for a calendar year is to be published and distributed to members of the public by the Club Management Committee as follows:

- a. The notice shall be published on social media platforms showing proposed dates of shooting activities where known, for the coming year and the club email for noise complaints. A link to the club website will accompany any post relating to a notice.
- b. A change to the program of scheduled shooting activities is to be published on social media platforms and on the club website within 4 weeks before the changed activity is to occur.
- c. Notice of a special event as advised to the CEO is to be published on social media platforms within 4 weeks before the changed activity is to occur.

A notice of shooting activity dates and times will be available to the public on the occupier's website. [northamclaytargetclub@weebly.com](mailto:northamclaytargetclub@weebly.com)

### **7. Complaint response procedure:**

- a. Noise complaints can be lodged with the occupier on the occupier's social media site and / or the occupier's email address.  
[northamctc@gmail.com](mailto:northamctc@gmail.com)  
Website: [northamclaytargetclub@weebly.com](http://northamclaytargetclub@weebly.com)
- b. A complaint received will be recorded on the noise complaint register by the Club Management Committee.
- c. All complaints will be managed with consideration and investigated and responded to as appropriate by the Club Management Committee.

- d. The occupier will, as far as practicable, provide advice to the complainant within 14 business days as to the outcome of the investigation.
- e. If a complaint is received during a shooting activity the Club Captain will investigate and take appropriate action.
- f. The result of a complaint investigation, details of measures taken or considered to reduce noise emissions under clause 5, and an outline of the responses given to the complainant shall be recorded on the noise complaint register.
- g. The complaint register shall be kept for the period of approval by the Club Management Committee and made available to the CEO on request.

## **8. Records:**

- a. Firearm test records pursuant to clause 5 c, are to be retained by the Club Management Committee for a period of two years.
- b. Conspicuously loud firearm records pursuant to clause 5 c, are to be retained by the Club Management Committee for a period of two years. And must include the following details.
  - Details of firearm and cartridge used.
  - Firearm owner and contact number.
  - Date and time the check was performed.
  - Action taken by the Club Captain or their representative to remedy the noise emissions.
- c. If requested to do so in writing by the CEO, the occupier is to forward a copy of all, or any records kept pursuant to clause 5 c within 14 business days of request.
- d. Contact list to be updated every 12 months or as required.

## **9. Responsibilities:**

- a. Club Management Committee
  - Implementation of the Noise management Plan
  - Development of the program for scheduled shooting activities.
  - Responding to and recording complaints.
- b. President

- Scrutiny and testing of cartridges.
- Appointment of their representative for scrutiny and testing of cartridges.

c. Occupier

- Emission of noise from the venue (as per Section 1.)

10. Maps:

- Map one shows land owned by the Northam & Districts Gun Club inc.
- Map two shows shooting layouts and safety zone (shot fall out) area.

11. Contact List:

- President:
- Secretary:



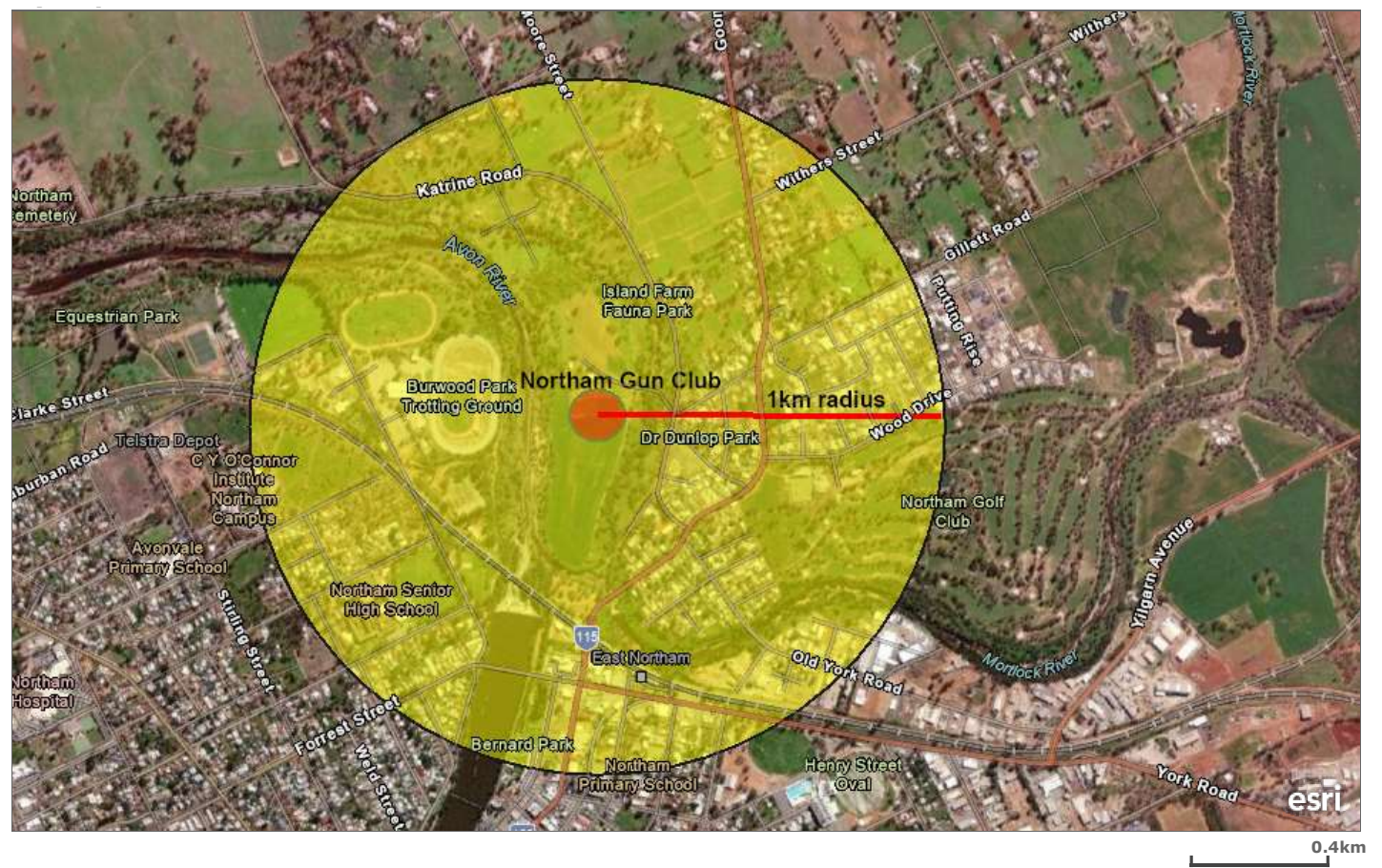








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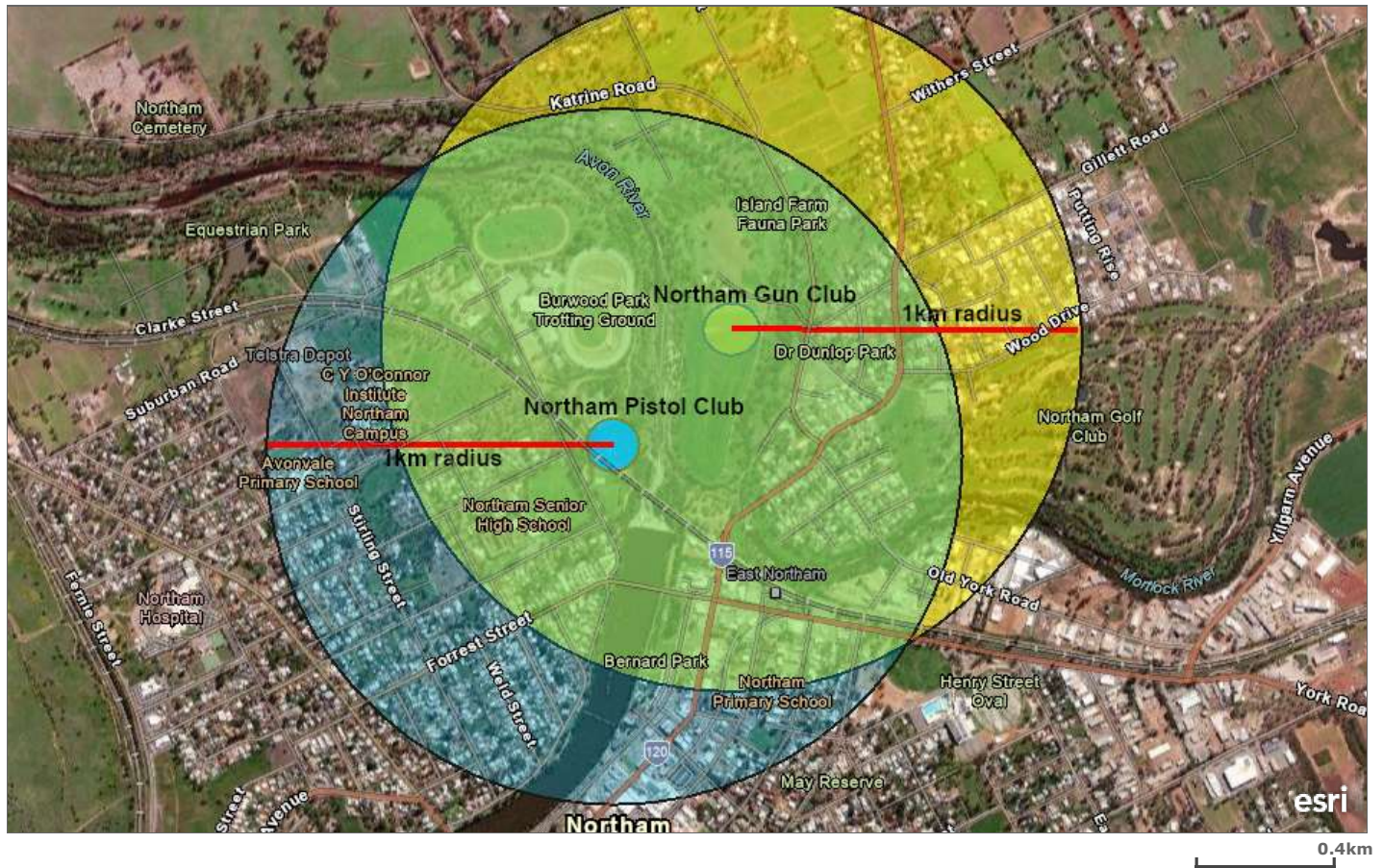


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NON-CONSULTATION AREA

IF YOU RESIDE IN THE GREEN HIGHLIGHTED AREA, PLEASE TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE FACT THAT THE GUN NOISE YOU HEAR MAY BE EMITTED FROM THE PISTOL CLUB AND NOT THE NORTHAM DISTRICTS GUN CLUB.