

Range Conducting Officer (R.C.O.) DUTIES

The range conducting officer is responsible for the overall supervision, safety, discipline and control of the range practice.

- a) Check Range Orders for any possible change and where applicable, to implement the bylaws.
- b) Check that everyone has received the necessary Health and Safety instruction.
- c) Liase with Range Warden as to Health, Fire and Safety requirements of the operation of the console.
- d) Brief Console/ Target Operators on required targets.
- e) Confirm method of communication and signals for the raising and lowering of the targets.
- f) Check all Firers have the necessary documentation to allow them to shoot.
- g) Brief the Firers on the use of the range and the course of fire.
- h) Brief all firing party of the 50mils rule, i.e. rifle barrels to be kept parallel with the ground and pointing down range, and ensure that all understand it.
- i) Brief on the local and range methods of stopping firing, e.g. range siren, whistle, the command STOP! STOP! STOP!
- j) Indicate firing positions and all relevant markers.
- k) Ensure that no one occupies the firing point until a Lane Officer has been appointed for each appropriate lane, and the R.C.O has given the order.
- l) Appoint a suitably qualified person to supervise and organise the next detail, and ensure that all range orders are enforced.
- m) Ensure all personnel are wearing ear protection.
- n) Check working order of communications on range.
- o) Comply with additional range safety instruction from Range Control or the Range Warden.
- p) Ensure vehicles are parked in authorised area to comply with Range Orders and advice of Range Warden, with roadways to be left clear.