

Weapon Rules

Any firearm is only an instrument. It contains no evil, no conscience, and no ability. It is strictly the intent, competence, and character of its user that decide the outcome of any and all actions taken with it.

Corollary: Socially and morally legitimate uses for the firearm are:

Sport: (Hunting...)

Recreation: (Competitive, and target shooting, plinking...)

Defensive purposes: (Self-defense, and pursuant to the concepts embodied in the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States)

The right to self-defense is one of the inalienable God-given rights, while the Second Amendment is a right granted by the Constitution to preserve freedom. Both are *individual* rights as well as responsibilities which can never be delegated.

If the firearm is chosen for defense, it should never be the sole source of any defensive strategy. It should represent the last resort in a comprehensive defensive plan that at least uses prevention as its first measure.

A firearm is never to be used to perpetrate unprovoked aggression.

Therefore; from the moment, I chose to handle a firearm, it is I who am ultimately responsible for the consequences of any actions that may follow from the use of the firearm.

Therefore; it is my intent that determines its use.

Therefore; it is my character that determines the intent for which the firearm is used.

Therefore; it is my competence that determines the accuracy of the firearm's use.

RULE #1: I will treat all firearms as if they are always loaded and ready to fire, until I verify otherwise.

RULE #2: I will never point the muzzle of a firearm at anything I am not willing to destroy.

RULE #3: I will be sure of my target and what is behind it before firing. Never shoot at a sound, a shadow, or anything that has not been positively identified as a proper target.

RULE #4: I will keep my finger off the trigger until the sights are on the target. It is best to keep your finger completely outside the trigger guard until the sights are on the target.