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Subject: RE: Seven Mile Range

Good Morning, Steve

Our policy here at BASF is that there is **NO** shooting into lateral/side berms. The purpose of lateral berms is to hopefully stop a negligent fired round. They therefore; are not for shooting into intentionally. We do not allow shooting into a lateral berm regardless if there is an empty berm next to it. Bullet skips impacting a lateral berm where as there is possible rocks can cause a bullet to travel great distances into open bay

This policy eliminates He said/She said. The only **Exception** is where we have installed a Load/Unload station flush against the lateral berm located at the firing line. Load/Unload station also has side walls with a shelf. Another Load/Unload station can be a steel tube that would direct a negligent fired round directly into the dirt. With this set up the muzzle of the firearm would need to be contained within the opening of the tube at all times while loading/unloading.

All rounds are to be fired down range and impact the backstop.

The issue with bullets striking the range floor is one where in a standing position shooting at targets whether it be metal or paper or combination is going to happen, however; we expect that after striking the range floor they skip and impact the earth backstop.

USPSA matches require that there are multiple stages placed at varying distances therefore; making it difficult to have all targets placed at the impact backstop so the safety rule we enforce is that All Rounds impact the impact backstop whether they first strike the range floor or not. If we observe they are not then the match director must correct this safety issue of bullets traveling over the backstop. This correction would require re-arranging the target set up.

As a second point allowed steel targets are to be canted at a 45degree angle to deflect bullet fragments down into the dirt.

I hope this helps with your question. Please let me know if you have additional questions with your operation.

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