



Menard County Sportsman's Club

Reopening Guidelines for Operation

Thank you for your continued support of the Menard County Sportsman's Club and your interest in resuming normal trapshooting activities. Now that the State of Illinois has reached Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois plan, the club will be reopening for Saturday morning practice (beginning June 27) and the Tuesday night trap league (beginning July 14). The MCSC Reopening Plan has been approved by the Sangamon Country Department of Public Health.

Our number one priority is the health and safety of our members and guests. It is important for every club member to do their part to keep MCSC open and safe for everyone to enjoy. Please be respectful of other members and observe all posted social distancing guidelines. Many of our club members fall into the COVID-19 high risk categories. According to the CDC, this includes anyone over age 65 and anyone with an underlying health condition, including lung disease, heart disease, diabetes, severe obesity, kidney disease, liver disease, etc. We recommend that anyone who falls into one of these risk categories stay away from the club, and all other unnecessary gatherings, until the COVID-19 crisis is resolved.

If you choose to visit the Menard County Sportsman's Club and participate in trapshooting activities, you will be expected to follow all of the guidelines presented here. If you choose not to follow these guidelines, you may be asked to leave the trap range, for the safety of our other participants. In the interest of reducing everyone's potential exposure, we ask that all team members make every effort to arrive at the same time, shoot your rounds as efficiently as possible, and leave the grounds when your rounds are completed. Please do not loiter on the grounds before or after your rounds. As much as we would all enjoy spending time with our fellow trap shooters, the health of our members is more important right now.

General Guidelines

- Social distance of six feet should be maintained.
- No more than 50 people will be allowed on the grounds at one time. This will be closely monitored. If the crowd size exceeds 50, additional participants will not be allowed to enter the grounds until the crowd size reduces below 50. If crowd size becomes a recurring issue, we may need to extend the Tuesday night trap league to a second night of the week.
- Masks are required anytime proper social distance is questionable or not possible. Masks must be worn properly, covering both nose and mouth.

Registration/Cashiering & Clubhouse

- Clubhouse will remain closed and locked.
- All registration and cashiering will be performed either outside or through a cashiering window at the club house.
- Masks required to be worn in the registration/cashiering area, by both staff and patrons. Masks must cover both nose and mouth. If you are not wearing a mask, you will not be allowed to register or cashier to shoot trap.
- At least six feet social distance between people waiting in line at registration/cashiering area

- No more than 10 people (including registration staff) in the registration/cashiering area at a time.
- For the Tuesday night trap league, teams will be expected to send a single representative to sign up and pay for the entire team at once. This will dramatically reduce congestion near the registration/cashiering area.

Restroom Facilities

- The permanent bathrooms will remain closed and locked.
- A portable restroom and hand washing station will be provided.

Trap Range

- 16 yard posts are nine feet apart (yardage posts are further apart). Because of this distance, masks are not required on the trap line.
- When not on the trap line, minimum of six feet social distance should be maintained. If this is not possible, masks should be worn.
- Because the distance between the 26 & 27 yard line posts of any trap house are less than 30 feet from the 26 & 27 yard line posts of the next trap house, squads need to be to be conscious of the yardage of the squads to their left and right. No two adjacent squads can shoot from behind the 25 yard line at the same time.

Trap League Season

- A shortened summer league will run for seven (7) weeks from Tuesday, July 14 through Tuesday, August 25.
- The Fall league will begin the following week and will run for nine (9) weeks from Tuesday, September 1 through Tuesday, October 27.

Club Membership Dues and Quail Program

This season is unlike any season MCSC has every experienced. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, we have cancelled our annual banquet, cancelled multiple registered ATA events, and lost two thirds of the summer trap league season. In recognition of these unprecedented times and in thanks for your continued support of the club, the MCSC Board of Directors have voted to forego club membership dues for the 2020 season for anyone who was a paid member in 2019. Thanks to an arrangement with a local game bird raiser, MCSC will have a quail program in 2020. Details for membership and quail eligibility below.

- If you were a paid member in 2019, you will not have to pay membership dues for 2020.
- If you were a paid member in 2019 AND you participate in the shortened summer trap league, you will be eligible to receive ten (10) quail.
- If you were not a paid member last year and/or you do not wish to participate in the shortened summer trap league, you may receive ten (10) quail by paying the regular \$35 membership fee for this year.