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SALISBURY PLAIN ARTILLERY AND RIFLE RANGES.

BYE-LAWS.

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to Artillery Ranges are repealed by
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Made by His Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department, with the consents of the Devizes Rural District Council, the Pewsey Rural District Council, the Andover Rural District Council, and the Amesbury Rural District Council, to make the following Bye-laws under the Military Lands Acts, 1892 to 1903, for regulating the use of the above Ranges, and for prohibiting intrusion.

1. The Danger Areas are shown on the map hereinafter mentioned, as follows:—

(a) *Artillery Range*:—By the words "Artillery Range" in Red letters and by the words "Boundary of Artillery Danger Zone" in Red letters along the boundaries. The general direction of the firing will be from Knighton Down in a North-Westerly direction.

(b) *Rifle Ranges*:—By a Red colour.

2. The public Roads and Footpaths crossing the said Ranges and Danger Areas will be closed to all persons whilst firing is going on on the said Ranges. The limits of the said Danger Areas are marked by War Department Notice Boards. It shall be an offence under these Bye-laws for any person to enter or remain within the Danger Areas while firing is going on.

3. A Board with a copy of these Bye-laws is placed at each end of the said roads and footpaths.

4. Red flags will be hoisted on the following places whilst firing is going on:—

(a) *Artillery Ranges.*

(I) On Knighton Down Tumulus.

(II) On Wilsford Down.

(III) On Rushall Down.

(b) *Rifle Ranges.*

PERHAM DOWN RANGES:—On the N.E. and S.W. of Warren Hill, on Middle Hill, and on the Observatory Tower on Furze Hill.

SIDBURY RANGE:—On Sidbury Hill.

BULFORD RANGES:—On Beacon Hill, South Tidworth, Silk Hill, Sidbury Foot, and at the South End of Long Hill (the latter to be visible from Tidworth).

SHREWTON FOLLY AND HONEY DOWN BARN RANGES:—On three flagstaffs to the North and South of Wood behind the Butts.

5. The firing on the *West of the Avon*, on the Artillery Range and on the Rifle Ranges at Shrewton Folly, and Honey Down Barn, shall not commence before 9 a.m. and shall cease at 3 p.m.

The firing on the Bulford Ranges shall be:—

From March 1st to November 1st, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., with an hour's break from 12 to 1; and from November 1st to March 1st, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., without any break.

The danger flags will be flying at all times when firing is taking place on the Sidbury and Perham Down Ranges.

6. A gun will be fired at 12 noon at Bulford as a signal for firing to cease, where so provided by Bye-law 5, and again at 1 p.m. as a signal to re-commence.

7. All persons who are within the Danger Area after the firing of the one o'clock gun, or at any other time when firing is going on, will be so at their own risk, and the Military Authorities will not be responsible for any accidents arising from a disregard of these Bye-laws.

8. The Commander-in-Chief, Southern Command, shall have power by giving one month's notice to the Clerks of the respective Councils to commence firing as early as daylight permits on any specified day or days, but firing shall not be continued beyond 11 a.m. on such days, nor shall such days exceed six in any one year. In the event of the Councils being of opinion that any days so specified will be inconvenient, they shall have power to suggest alternative days, which shall be substituted accordingly.

9. The danger flags will be flying at all times when firing is taking place on the respective Ranges.

10. The road leading from Tidworth along the Northern foot of Beacon Hill to Bulford will at all times be open to traffic.

The road crossing the 700 yards range firing point on Sidbury Range, from Chalk Pit to the Cemetery, will at all times be open to traffic.

11. As regards the *Artillery Range*:—Look-out men will be placed round the Danger Area to warn persons who may be approaching it.

As regards the *Bulford Rifle Ranges*:—On every occasion on which the Field Firing Danger Area of Bulford Ranges, marked with a red verge on the said map, may be used, a cone will be hoisted on the flagstaff on Sidbury Hill, and also a cone on Silk Hill in addition to the Red Danger Flags; and the Danger Area will be patrolled by mounted men.

12. The Officer in charge of any Danger Area and the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Southern Command, or any other Officer, Warrant Officer, Non-Commissioned Officer or Military Police for the time being under the command of any such Officer as aforesaid, or any Constable, shall have power and is hereby authorized:—

- (1) To remove from the Danger Area, without warrant, any person contravening these Bye-laws.