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# Northern Territory Rifle Association Inc.



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**AND**  
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**NORTHERN TERRITORY RIFLE ASSOCIATION**  
**(NTRA)**

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It is the intention of the Northern Territory Rifle Association that all club shoots will be held in a safe and secure environment and that members and non members will not be put in a position of harm through the NTRA or affiliated club's actions.

It is a general legal principle that an individual is personally liable for his or her own unlawful acts. However, in some circumstances, the Association or clubs can be held liable for wrongs committed by members or non members even if there is no deliberate contribution to the wrongful act on behalf of the member. This is referred to as vicarious liability.

Vicarious liability may apply not only in respect of members, but also in respect of other people acting on behalf of an organisation. Thus, if a member harasses members or non members, or acts in a dangerous manner in club activities, the association might be held legally responsible and may be liable for damages.

So, if someone representing a sporting organisation, even in a voluntary capacity, harasses, a member, non member or anyone else encountered in the course of carrying out that representative role, or places others in a dangerous situation the organisation can be held liable

To minimise exposure for the NTRA, the Association will ensure that

- All shoots under the auspices of the NTRA are conducted under the NRAA Standard Shooting rules
- All NTRA controlled shoots are conducted with a qualified Range Officer

To minimise exposure for the NTRA affiliated clubs, NTRA will

- Recommend to affiliated clubs that they develop a Club Risk Management and Member Protection Policy
- Advise affiliated Club Captains to advise them of the necessity to manage all club shoots in a responsible and safe manner

- Advise affiliated clubs that their members must be financial at all times with the NTRA for insurance cover through the NRAA
- Advise affiliated clubs of the need for Club Range officers to be trained in firearm safety and adhere to the rules
- Request affiliated clubs to instruct their members on the correct protocols and procedures for shooting on the range
- Advise affiliated clubs that NTRA expects club members to demonstrate a high degree of individual responsibility and refrain from any form of abuse, harassment or discrimination to all members and others.

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