

# Pistols & Pearls Society

PO Box 1119, Bastrop TX 78602

Application For Membership with the Women's Gun Club of Bastrop County, TX

- MISSION- To provide an environment and resources for women interested in firearms.
- VISION- To have a shooting club in Bastrop County for women of all skill levels.
- PURPOSE- Provide the opportunity for women shooters to increase their knowledge of firearms.
- CULTURE- Women of all skill levels interested in recreational or competitive shooting.

There are 4 things we need to get your membership started:

- A completed application
- A completed Release and Hold Harmless form
- A background check from Texas Dept of Public Safety OR a copy of a current valid Texas CHL license OR a copy of a valid Texas law enforcement agency ID card (local, county or State of Texas)\*See Below
- A check in the amount of \$50 for membership dues. This will be a yearly membership fee due between January 1st to January 31st of each year. Please put a reminder in your calendar!

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone Provider \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Facebook ID \_\_\_\_\_

Employer \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of the NRA? Please provide photo copy of card with expiration date. Yes No

Do you hold any NRA Instructor or Range Safety Officer Licenses? Yes No

Are you a member of another gun club Yes No

Name of club: \_\_\_\_\_

Conditions of Membership -I agree the following:

- To observe all safety rules and procedures at all times
- To obey directives of range officers and staff in the course of any live fire event
- To be supportive of the club, club members and staff
- To clear all public and media related statements concerning the club with current Board of Directors.
- Pay Annual Membership Dues each year \_\_\$50.00 Per Member(Due January 1 of Each Year)

\*A copy of the DPS criminal background check or listed exemption must be submitted at the time of application. Go to <http://records.txdps.state.tx.us> then click on criminal history conviction search. Print the report and include it with your application. Exemptions to the DPS criminal check are as follows: TCLEOSE, Jailer License, Body Guard, and Security Officer Level 3, BCSO Employee or current CHL.

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Do you have any special skills that could benefit the gun club? Describe:

In a brief statement why do you wish to become a member of "PPS":

Club Activity Experience:

\_\_\_\_\_ Pistol – beginner \_\_\_\_\_, advanced \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Rifle – beginner \_\_\_\_\_, advanced \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Shotgun – beginner \_\_\_\_\_, advanced \_\_\_\_\_

All members will be expected to assist the club in cleaning up the class rooms and private ranges after participation.

**\*\*ALL new members must be a minimum of 18 years old; ALL paperwork for each Family Member must be included in a Family Application. This includes a separate application, a current DPS criminal background check (see exemptions above) and a Release and Hold Harmless Form for every Family Member included in the Family Membership.**

Upon approval of application, each member must complete the orientation and range safety class wherein rules and procedures for membership will be explained.

I agree to hold harmless "Pistols and Pearls Society" and their management, staff, and resource advisors from and against any loss, liability expense, claim, cost, suits, or damages of every kind, nature or description, resulting directly and/or indirectly from my use of the club's selected classroom and/or shooting facilities.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## FOR PISTOLS AND PEARLS SOCIETY USE ONLY

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Money Order # \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Amount Received \_\_\_\_\_ Documentation Received by \_\_\_\_\_

Bastrop County sheriff's Office Employee \_\_\_\_\_ Jailer License \_\_\_\_\_

Body Guard, \_\_\_\_\_ Security Officer Level 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Concealed Handgun License \_\_\_\_\_ *TCLEOSE*, \_\_\_\_\_

DPS Criminal Background Check \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_

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## Release and Hold Harmless Agreement

Pistols and Pearls Society Release of Liability Form

I (print your full name) \_\_\_\_\_ presently residing at (Street Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) \_\_\_\_\_ (zip code) \_\_\_\_\_, being 18 years of age or older and the legal guardian (if applicable) of \_\_\_\_\_ (the "Minor"), on behalf of myself and the Minor, in consideration of the rates charge and the right to enter and use the facilities and services of the Pistols & Pearls Society, do hereby enter into this Release and Hold Harmless Agreement (the "Agreement") on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_, and consent and agree that:

### Initial here

\_\_\_\_\_ 1. **Acknowledgement of Danger.** I acknowledge that engaging in sport shooting is dangerous. I further acknowledge that no matter what precautions I may take, including but not limited to the wearing of various types of protective gear (including hearing and eye protection), that I could experience injury of a very serious nature and/or die as a result of an accident or incident. I therefore engage in such activities voluntarily and at my own risk. I also understand and acknowledge that the ranges are kept as natural as the shooting events allow and that wildlife may pose additional hazards including but not limited to: poisonous plants, ticks, poisonous snakes, and other wild animals.

\_\_\_\_\_ 2. **Assumption of Risks.** I acknowledge and represent that I am familiar with the significant risks and dangerous nature, including but not limited to causing death or serious bodily injury to myself and others, and causing damage(s) to property, which originate from participating and otherwise engaging in sport shooting. I hereby assume any and all responsibilities and liabilities pertaining to such risks, whether to myself or to others and without limitation or qualification. I also understand and acknowledge that others will be using the range, including but not limited to uses taking place during private member activities and club sponsored events, and I will be aware of their actions whenever I am at any Pistols & Pearls Society Events. There have not been any express or implied representations to you on behalf of the Pistols & Pearls Society, except as set forth in this Agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_ 3. **Physical and Mental Condition.** I acknowledge that at the time of signing this Agreement I am in sufficient physical and mental condition to engage in sport shooting on any range.

\_\_\_\_\_ 4. **Condition of Equipment.** I have, prior to engaging in any sport shooting, determined that, by professional standards, my shooting equipment, ammunition and all corresponding items are in good condition and suitable for the shooting contemplated by this Agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. **Comprehensive Release.** I do hereby, on behalf of myself and my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns and legal and personal representatives, unconditionally and irrevocably release and discharge the Pistols & Pearls Society, the Pistols & Pearls Society's successors, assigns, owners, shareholders, directors, officers, employees, club officers, range masters, match directors, appointed safety officers, agents, representatives, attorneys, independent contractors, subsidiaries, and affiliates

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and each, every and all persons acting by, through, under or in concert with any of them (collectively, "Released Parties"). I further do hereby on behalf of myself and my heirs, executors, administrators, assigns and legal and personal representatives agree not to sue, or otherwise initiate legal, equitable or similar action or to otherwise file a complaint or other action for controversy resolution or otherwise seek losses, costs or expenses of any nature whatsoever, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, fixed or contingent, including without limitation, wrongful death, and any and all personal injuries, known or unknown, and death and/or personal injuries to third parties, and injuries to property, real or personal, known or unknown, against any of the Released Parties, caused by any reason whatsoever related to Pistols & Pearls Society and my sport shooting on or about the Pistols & Pearls Society's premises and/or facilities. I also agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the Released Parties from and against all claims, losses, damages, and costs caused by, arising out of, or related to the actions of myself and those guests for whose conduct I am responsible. This Release shall pertain to any claims which were known or unknown, anticipated or unanticipated at the time of the execution of this Agreement, including any information of any nature which, if known by me on the date of execution of this Agreement, may have materially affected my decision to execute this Agreement and specifically this Release.

\_\_\_\_\_ **6. Indemnity.** I hereby indemnify, without qualification or limitation, the Released Parties and defend and hold the Released Parties harmless from and against any and all claims, causes of action, demands or charges of every kind and nature, which any third party or person may claim to have or to hold for property damage or personal injuries or any other damages including death, arising from any cause or reason, of every kind and nature pertaining to this Agreement originating from my relationship with any of the Released Parties and any activity directly or indirectly arising from or contemplated by this Agreement.

\_\_\_\_\_ **7. Additional Regulations.** I understand that hearing and eye protection (even while using a scope) are mandatory at all Pistols and Pearls Society shooting areas for all persons at all times. I agree that I will not fire or discharge any firearm or gun except in areas so designated by Pistols and Pearls Society or designated instructor.

\_\_\_\_\_ **8. Firearms Eligibility.** I certify that I may lawfully own, possess, and operate firearms within the State of Texas pursuant to all applicable local, state and federal laws and regulations.

\_\_\_\_\_ **9. Governing Law; Disputes; Arbitration.** This Agreement shall be governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Texas. Should I find myself in a disagreement with Pistols and Pearls Society policies, rules or regulations and I am unable to resolve such issues in accordance with the By-laws of the Pistols and Pearls Society I agree that I shall bring no cause of action against the Pistols and Pearls Society or any of the aforementioned Released Parties, and further agree to binding arbitration of those disputes. Should any party hereto institute any action or proceeding against the other party at law or in equity, or in connection with an arbitration in connection with this Agreement, the prevailing party from such action shall be entitled to recover from the losing party or parties all attorneys' fees and costs for service rendered to the prevailing party in such action or proceeding.

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\_\_\_\_\_ 10. **Force of Law.** If any part of this contract is held to be invalid by a court of law all other parts shall remain in full effect.

\_\_\_\_\_ 11. **Minors.** I understand Pistols and Pearls Society is not responsible for any injury or illness to any minor that accompanies me to any Pistols and Pearls Society event. I understand that members are solely responsible for the safety of any minor children they bring to the range. Pistols and Pearls Society is not responsible nor be held liable for the safety of minors.

Where my initials appear above, I acknowledge that I have read, understood, and agreed to the provision beside those initials. In addition, my signature below indicates that I have read this entire Agreement, understand it completely, and agree to be bound by its terms. If this Agreement is being executed by me as a legal guardian on behalf of a person under the age of 18 years, then all provisions of this Agreement shall pertain to the undersigned and the Minor.

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Member Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Minor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Under 18)