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MEMORANDUM TO:

SHOOTING RANGE OPERATORS (ONTARIO)

Re: Mandatory Range Officer Supervision

To ensure the safety of all participants, we want to remind range operators of the importance of having a qualified Range Officer (RO) present whenever more than one person is engaged in shooting activities. This requirement, outlined in *SOR 98/212 Section 5(e)*, is a mandatory safety measure that applies to all shooting sessions where multiple participants are active.

Excerpt from *SOR 98/212 Section 5(e)*:

"If more than one person is simultaneously engaged in shooting activities on the shooting range, a person acts as the range officer."

This means that an RO is required not only for formal events but also during **any practice session involving shooting activities**. The presence of a Range Officer helps to oversee safe practices, manage shooting angles, and ensure compliance with all range safety protocols.

By upholding this standard, we collectively contribute to a safer environment for all individuals using the range.

Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to safety. If you have any questions, please direct them to ONCFO_ClubsandRanges@cfp-pcaf.ca.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven R. Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steven R. Thompson
Superintendent – CFO Bureau Commander
Chief Firearms Officer for the Province of Ontario
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