

## HAMPTON LOVETT RANGE

# BYELAWS

Made by Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department, under the provisions of Part II of the Military Lands Acts, 1892, for regulating the use of the above-mentioned range.

## STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 1960 No. 1988

### MILITARY LANDS

The Hampton Lovett Range Byelaws	1960
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Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department, in exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Part II of the Military Lands Act, 1892(a), and of all other powers enabling him in that behalf, hereby, with the consent of the Droitwich Rural District Council so far as regards the interference with the highways hereinafter mentioned, makes the following Byelaws:—

## AREAS OF LAND AFFECTED

1. The area to which these Byelaws apply (hereinafter referred to as "the Danger Area") consists of the Hampton Lovett Range (together with all highways thereon) in the Parish of Hampton Lovett in the County of Worcester, the limits of which are set out in the Schedule hereto and are, for convenience of reference, marked with black lines on the plan hereto annexed and identified as "Plan of the Hampton Lovett Range".

## USE OF DANGER AREA

2. The Danger Area may be used for the firing of rifles, pistols, all small arms and automatic weapons and for all activities ancillary to such firing.

## PROHIBITION OF ACCESS

- 3.—(1) When the Danger Area is being used for any of the military purposes specified in Byelaw No. 2, no person shall:—
  - (a) enter into or upon or pass over or through the Danger Area, or
  - (b) be or remain in or upon or over the Danger Area, or
  - (c) cause or permit or suffer any vehicle, animal, vessel, aircraft or thing to enter into or upon or to pass over or through or to be or remain in or upon or over the Danger Area.
  - (2) Whilst the Danger Area is being used for any of the said military purposes, notice of the fact shall be given by the

- display of the following signals, that is to say, by the display of a red flag hoisted at the following places:—
- (a) at a place 130 yards east by north of the stop butts on the shoulder of the hill behind the butts;
- (b) at a place 100 yards south-south-west of the stop butts on the shoulder of the hill behind the butts.

## **PROJECTILES**

4. No person shall dig or search for any projectile or any lead or other metal in or on the Danger Area, or interfere with or take or retain or be in possession of any projectile or any lead or other metal found within the Danger Area, or remove any projectile from the Danger Area.

## GOVERNMENT STORES

5. No person shall interfere with or remove from the Danger Area any stores or articles belonging to the War Department or otherwise the property of the Crown.

#### **OFFENCES**

6. Any person doing anything prohibited by or otherwise contravening any provision of any of the preceding Byelaws Nos. 3, 4 and 5 thereby commits an offence against the Byelaw so contravened.

## **ENFORCEMENT**

- 7. The following persons are hereby authorised to remove from the Danger Area and to take into custody without warrant any person found therein when it is being used for any of the military purposes specified in Byelaw No. 2 or is closed to the public or committing any other offence against any of the said Byelaws, and to remove from the Danger Area any vehicle, animal, vessel, aircraft or thing found in the Danger Area in contravention of any of the said Byelaws—
  - (a) the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Western Command;
  - (b) the Officer in charge of the Hampton Lovett Range;
  - (c) any officer, warrant officer, non-commissioned officer, or any military policeman or War Department constable, in uniform and being for the time being under the Command of the said General Officer Commanding-in-Chief or of the officer in charge of the Hampton Lovett Range;
  - (d) any person authorised in writing by or on behalf of the said General Officer Commanding-in-Chief or the Officer in charge of the Hampton Lovett Range; and
  - (e) any police constable.

#### **EXEMPTIONS**

- 8.—(1) Nothing done by a person using the Danger Area in pursuance of Byelaw No. 2 or by a person acting under and in accordance with any authority or permission given by or on behalf of the Secretary of State or the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Western Command or the Officer in charge of the Hampton Lovett Range shall constitute an offence against any of these Byelaws.
- (2) If for any reason any aircraft is compelled to alight on or is unable to quit the Danger Area, the presence of that aircraft in the Danger Area shall not constitute an offence against these Byelaws, provided that the owner of, and the person or persons in charge of, that aircraft shall, unless the Officer in charge of the Hampton Lovett Range directs to the contrary, forthwith use and continue to use his or their utmost endeavours to bring that aircraft out of the Danger Area as speedily as possible.

## INTERPRETATION

- 9.—(1) The Interpretation Act, 1889(b), shall apply to the interpretation of the Byelaws as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of Parliament.
  - (2) In these Byelaws the expression—

"projectile" includes any shot or shell or other missile

and any portion thereof;

"aircraft" includes any craft or contrivance which though not an aircraft is for the time being airborne.

## DATE OF OPERATION OF BYELAWS

10. These Byelaws shall come into operation on the Twenty-second day of December 1960, and may be cited as the Hampton Lovett Range Byelaws, 1960.

### THE SCHEDULE

The limits of the Danger Area are as follows:-

On the West

Commencing at a point 10 yards south-south-west of the 600 yards firing point and 30 yards west-north-west of the northern-most extremity of the Woodland Known as Hampton Pool, thence in a direction due NORTH for a distance of 24 yards to a point 70 yards south by east of the point where the footpath which runs generally in a north-easterly direction from St. Mary and All Saints Church, Hampton Lovett, crosses the footpath which runs generally in a south-easterly direction from Hampton Farm, Hampton Lovett; thence

## On the North

From the last-mentioned point EAST by NORTH for a distance of 900 yards, to a point 350 yards south-west of the Trigonometrical Station on Crutch Hill and 82 yards east-north-east of the eastern-most extremity of the un-named Woodland lying to the south-east of the butts; thence

## On the South-East

From the last-mentioned place in a SOUTH-WESTERLY direction for a distance of 80 yards to meet the Boundary of the Municipal Borough of Droitwich at the said easternmost extremity of the unnamed Woodland, thence following the said Borough Boundary for 34 yards to a point where it meets the bridle road leading from St. Mary and All Saints Church, Hampton Lovett to the Elmbridge-Droitwich road, thence in a general SOUTH-WESTERLY direction for a distance of 370 yards, following the hedge running to the south-east side of the bridle road, skirting the said Woodland to a point 150 yards south-west of the butts of the range; thence

## On the South-West

From the last-mentioned place WEST-NORTH-WEST for a distance of 550 yards to the point of commencement.

The boundaries of the area described above are marked by boundary posts.

Dated this Twenty-first day of October 1960.

#### C. M. FIFE

Assistant Under-Secretary of State. By order of Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the War Department.

The consent of the Droitwich Rural District Council to the making of these Byelaws, so far as regards the restriction of the use of the highways mentioned therein, was given by a resolution dated the Twenty-eighth day of September 1960.

## PETER HARRIS

Chairman, Droitwich Rural District Council.

## F. D. FORWARD

Clerk, Droitwich Rural District Council.

#### NOTICES

#### PENALTY FOR OFFENCES

1. By Section 17 (2) of the Military Lands Act, 1892, it is provided:—

If any person commits an offence against any Byelaw under this Act, he shall be liable, on conviction before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction, to a fine not exceeding FIVE POUNDS, and may be removed by any Constable or Officer authorised in manner provided by the Byelaw from the area, whether land or water, to which the Byelaw applies, and taken into custody without warrant, and brought before a Court of Summary Jurisdiction to be dealt with according to law, and any vehicle, animal, vessel or thing found in the area in contravention of any Byelaw, may be removed by any Constable or such Officer as aforesaid, and on due proof of such contravention, be declared by a Court of Summary Jurisdiction to be forfeited to Her Majesty.

## INSPECTION OF BYELAWS AND PLAN

2. A copy of these Byelaws and a plan showing the Danger Area may be inspected at the Police Station, Droitwich, and at the Offices of the Clerk of the Droitwich Rural District Council, Union Chambers, Ombersley Street, Droitwich, the Officer in charge of the Range and the Secretary, Worcester Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Association, 16, Silver Street, Worcester, where copies of the Byelaws may also be obtained at the price of one shilling for each copy.

#### RECOVERY OF PROJECTILES

3. Any person who finds a projectile within the Danger Area must not disturb it but should report the finding of it to the Officer in charge of the Hampton Lovett Range, to the Range Warden or to the police at the first opportunity.

## PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF FIRING

4. Public Notification that firing will take place will be given by sending notices, not less than seven days before the day of firing, giving particulars of the intended time and the duration of the firing to the tenants of lands on and adjoining the Range, to the Superintendent of Police, Droitwich and to the Range Warden.

