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**SOUTH CAROLINA CONCEALED WEAPONS PERMIT EXAMINATION**  
**SECTION 2: FIREARMS SAFETY AND OPERATION**

**1. The Four Cardinal Rules of firearms safety are:**

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_

**2. To properly unload a semi-automatic pistol, with it pointed in a safe direction and the trigger finger being outside the trigger guard, the proper sequence is:**

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ the (b) \_\_\_\_\_; cycle the
- (c) \_\_\_\_\_ several times to ensure the chamber is clear; and visually and physically inspect the (d) \_\_\_\_\_ and magazine well.

**3. It is the responsibility of the CWP applicant to:**

- a. Demonstrate and maintain a working understanding of handgun use and safety
- b. Understand S.C. statutory and case law relating to handguns and the use of deadly force
- c. Understand proper storage practices for handguns to reduce potential injury to a child
- d. Demonstrate basic marksmanship fundamentals
- e. All of the above

**4. It is the responsibility of the CWP instructor to ensure the CWP student has a good working knowledge of:**

- a. Handgun use and safety
- b. S.C. statutory and case law relating to handguns and the use of deadly force
- c. Proper storage practices for handguns to reduce potential injury to a child
- d. Basic marksmanship fundamentals by qualifying on the range
- e. All of the above

**5. All firearms should be stored:**

- a. Unloaded
- b. Separated from ammunition
- c. Secured so that they are not accessible to children and unauthorized persons
- d. All of the above

**6. Children should be taught that if they come across a firearm, they should:**

**“STOP; don’t touch it; immediately leave the area; and go tell an adult.”**

- a. True
- b. False

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- 7. When drawing and holstering the handgun, the firing grip should be maintained and the trigger finger should never be:**
- a. Outside of the trigger guard
  - b. Along the side the frame
  - c. Inside the trigger guard
  - d. Along the side the slide
- 8. Gun safes, lock boxes and gun locks are all effective means of securing firearms from children and unauthorized persons.**
- a. True
  - b. False
- 9. Ammunition should not be present when cleaning the firearm.**
- a. True
  - b. False
- 10. You should always keep your finger outside of the trigger guard until the weapon is pointed at the target and:**
- a. You are in the proper stance
  - b. You have made the conscious decision to fire
  - c. You have perfect sight alignment
  - d. You are controlling your breathing
- 11. A handgun should be cleaned:**
- a. After being fired
  - b. After being exposed to dirt and/or moisture
  - c. When the lubricant seems to have evaporated
  - d. Periodically
  - e. All of the above
- 12. Proper trigger control is applying pressure straight to the rear in a smooth continuous manner without disturbing the sight alignment / sight picture.**
- a. True
  - b. False
- 13. The safe de-cocking procedure for a semi-automatic pistol does not vary from model to model.**
- a. True
  - b. False
- 14. All firearms should always be pointed in a safe direction.**
- a. True
  - b. False

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**15. For accuracy, when aiming a pistol, the eye can only focus on one object at a time; therefore, you should focus on the \_\_\_\_\_ so that it appears clear and sharp.**

- a. rear sight
- b. target
- c. front sight
- d. bull's-eye

**16. In a defensive situation, if a double-action revolver fails to fire, you may be able to pull the trigger allowing the cylinder to rotate another cartridge into the firing position.**

- a. True
- b. False

**17. Sight alignment and trigger press / squeeze should be done simultaneously while maintaining a minimum of movement of the firearm.**

- a. True
- b. False

**18. In a defensive situation, you may not have the time to obtain a perfect sight picture.**

- a. True
- b. False

**19. Before cleaning any firearm, make sure that:**

- a. the firearm is unloaded
- b. the action is open
- c. no ammunition is present
- d. all of the above

**20. Proper sight alignment is having the front sight level with the top of the rear sight, and the front sight centered in the notch of the rear sight**

- a. True
- b. False

**21. The shooter should always be sure to utilize the proper ammunition for the firearm being utilized.**

- a. True
- b. False

**22. Avoidance of danger is preferable to an armed encounter.**

- a. True
- b. False

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**23. The two most important fundamentals of marksmanship are:**

- a. Sight alignment and trigger control
- b. Grip and stance
- c. Breath control and follow through
- d. Stance and follow through

**24. All CWP holders should maintain a reasonable level of proficiency with the handgun.**

- a. True
- b. False

**25. When shooting a firearm, you should always be sure of your target and what is beyond it.**

- a. True
- b. False