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WHITTINGTON RANGES AND HOPWAS WOOD UPDATE

The bridleway from Common Lane via the range and Hopwas Hay Lane to Hopwas Bridge on the canal will be closed as per the Byelaws when firing is due to take place, until all live firing is complete.

Gates are installed on both the Hopwas bridge and the Tamhorn bridge. They will be locked when firing is taking place and locked in the open position when no firing is taking place.

If you are requested by a Military Sentry not to proceed past a given point, please adhere to their instructions as they are given for your own safety. All sentries are equipped with body cameras.

No camping, or overnight stays are permitted within Hopwas Woods.

Military Personnel may still carry out dry, none live firing training, within the boundary of MOD land in Hopwas Wood when it is open to the public (as per the Byelaws).

FIRING TIMES - WHITTINGTON RANGES

Firing will take place on Whittington Ranges at the following times for the 01 March – 31 March 2025:

Date	Firing Times	Remarks
Sat 01 Mar	NO FIRING	
Sun 02 Mar	NO FIRING	
Mon 03 Mar	0730-1400	
Tues 04 Mar	NO FIRING	
Weds 05 Mar	0730-1730	
Thurs 06 Mar	0730-1730	
Fri 07 Mar	NO FIRING	
Sat 08 Mar	NO FIRING	

Sun 09 Mar	NO FIRING	
Mon 10 Mar	0730-1700	
Tue 11 Mar	NO FIRING	
Wed 12 Mar	0730-1730	
Thur 13 Mar	0730-1730	
Fri 14 Mar	NO FIRING	
Sat 15 Mar	NO FIRING	
Sun 16 Mar	NO FIRING	
Mon 17 Mar	NO FIRING	
Tue 18 Mar	NO FIRING	
Wed 19 Mar	0730-1730	
Thur 20 Mar	0730-1730	
Fri 21 Mar	NO FIRING	
Sat 22 Mar	0800-1730	
Sun 23 Mar	0800-1730	
Mon 24 Mar	NO FIRING	
Tue 25 Mar	NO FIRING	
Wed 26 Mar	NO FIRING	
Thur 27 Mar	NO FIRING	
Fri 28 Mar	NO FIRING	
Sat 29 Mar	0800-1730	
Sun 30 Mar	0800-1730	
Mon 31 Mar	NO FIRING	

1. Updated information on the firing taking place on Whittington Range Complex can be obtained by ringing:
 - a. Ops Room (24hrs) 01874 635599
 - b. Whittington Range 07827 982 444
 - c. Main Office 01785 763127

2. Normal Firing Times are as follows:
 - a. Monday – Friday 0830 – 1630
 - b. Saturday and Sunday 0900 – 1630

3. Please be aware that short notice additions or cancellations may be made to the above dates.

4. The details are liable to change at short notice as notified on the following link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/kingsbury-ranges-firing-times>

5. If you would prefer to receive this notice via email, please email: bams907waleswest@landmarc.mod.uk Include your name, address, including postcode and contact number.

Should it be necessary to use the range on a date notified as “No Firing”, we will inform you by telephone/email giving a minimum 24 hours’ notice. On a “Firing” date when nobody has arrived on the range and you wish to enter the over firing area (your land), please telephone one of the numbers shown below and we will confirm access or not.

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Training Area Operative - 07827 982 444
24hr Manned Ops Room 01874 635599
24hr Manned Helpdesk 0800 0223334