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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).~~

Hopwas Wood is currently out of bounds to exercising units.

FIRING TIMES - WHITTINGTON RANGES

Firing will take place on Whittington Ranges at the following times for the 01 Apr – 30 Apr 2025:

Date	Firing Times	Remarks
Tues 01 Apr	0730-1730	
Wed 02 Apr	0730-1730	
Thurs 03 Apr	NO FIRING	
Fri 04 Apr	NO FIRING	
Sat 05 Apr	NO FIRING	
Sun 06 Apr	NO FIRING	

Mon 07 Apr	NO FIRING	
Tues 08 Apr	NO FIRING	
Wed 09 Apr	0730-1730	
Thurs 10 Apr	0730-1730	
Fri 11 Apr	NO FIRING	
Sat 12 Apr	0800-1730	
Sun 13 Apr	0800-1730	
Mon 14 Apr	0730-1730	
Tues 15 Apr	0730-1730	
Wed 16 Apr	NO FIRING	
Thurs 17 Apr	NO FIRING	
Fri 18 Apr	NO FIRING	
Sat 19 Apr	NO FIRING	
Sun 20 Apr	NO FIRING	
Mon 21 Apr	NO FIRING	
Tues 22 Apr	NO FIRING	
Wed 23Apr	NO FIRING	
Thurs 24 Apr	NO FIRING	
Fri 25 Apr	NO FIRING	
Sat 26 Apr	NO FIRING	
Sun 27 Apr	NO FIRING	
Mon 28 Apr	NO FIRING	
Tues 29 Apr	NO FIRING	
Wed 30 Apr	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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Philip Finch
Training Safety Officer

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