

**Calico Mountain Volunteers
SAFETY RULES
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**ANY VIOLATION OF THE RULES HEREIN WILL DISQUALIFY A MEMBER IN
CONTINUING MEMBERSHIP**

- ★ All volunteers must check-in with the Calico Mountain Volunteers Safety Officer upon arrival (no exceptions).
- 1. No live ammunition will be carried on or about any Reenactor at any Calico event or private event at Calico, or any off-site contracted event. This applies to the city or town in and around the location of the reenactment. The Safety Officer (SO) will check all gun belts and bandoliers to ensure that all “prop” bullets are in fact “dummy” (inert) rounds.
- 2. If any live ammunition violation is committed, said Reenactor will be escorted out of the reenacting area to a secure area, the weapon and rounds will be removed by the Safety Officer. The illegal live ammo will be confiscated and the weapon will be returned to the Reenactor, and the Reenactor from that point will be terminated from Calico. Arrangements will be made to return the live ammo at a later time.
- 3. All volunteers will check-in with the Calico Mountain Volunteers Safety Officer (SO) upon arrival. The SO may hold a safety check before the first event. The SO will check for safe ammunition (blanks). Hollywood or self loaded blanks SHALL NOT fire any form of projectile which includes wax, cardboard or any other material, except powder and be able to pass a splatter test at the appropriate distances. No crimped blanks will be allowed in any performances.
- 4. All guns will be loaded and unloaded in a *secure* location (which includes **inside** the ropes during a performance).
- 5. No spent ammo casings will be disposed of in a public refuse container. ***No spent ammo casings will be given to any spectator (no souvenirs).***
- 6. No foul language, including historically correct.
- 7. The Safety Officer has FULL authority to decide if a weapon is taken to the performance or not. Black powder weapons should be properly cleared after each performance and away from spectators.

8. No Reenactor under the influence of alcohol when he/she arrives will be allowed to perform or participate and will be asked to leave.
No alcohol will be consumed before and up to the end of the last performance of the day.
No alcohol will be consumed by any Reenactor while wearing and or carrying guns .All guns or weapons **MUST** be removed and secured.

Calico is a drug-free town. Any member that is found using or under the influence of ANY illegal drugs will be asked to leave and will be considered unfit and will no longer be a member of the Calico Mountain Volunteers group.
Any member under the influence of prescribed medication or lawful drug that, in the opinion of the SO, impairs his/her judgement, will not be allowed to perform or participate that day and will be asked to leave.
9. When a CMV member is transporting weapons off-site, they will be secured in the exact way the law demands in the state of California, City and or County.
10. A roped off safety perimeter will be set up around the area and/or makeshift arena. This will separate the Reenactors from the spectators, and an announcement will be made that **NO SPECTATORS** are allowed in the performance area.
11. When firing blanks at a reenactor with a handgun during a skit performance, a 15 foot (5 yards) distance rule applies.
Using shotguns/long guns will require a 25 foot (about 9 yards) distance between shooter and intended reenactor.
When a weapon is used facing the audience, there will be a 30 feet (10 yard) distance from the spectators.
Firing weapons should also be done so that it appears to be aimed at the opposition, but faded off of a direct shot when possible.
12. Only performers **21** years of age and older may fire a weapon in the performance area.
13. Performers under the age of **21** are **NOT** permitted to carry a weapon EVER. No performer under the age of **21** will be shot at or die during any performance.
14. There will be **NO** belly blasts or exploding blood packs at any time.
15. Stunts are allowed providing another Reenactor (not performing the stunt) is *free* of becoming injured from the person/s performing the stunt. This also applies to the location of the stunt in the proximity of the audience.
16. A weapon will not be taken out and displayed while taking pictures with the public **AT ANY TIME**.
A weapon will not be pointed at anyone at any time, except by/at performers in their respective skit.

17. Spectators **MAY NOT** touch or hold a Reenactors gun *at any time*. While mingling with the crowd your gun should not be loaded. Be sure you have your safety thong that secures your gun in its holster over your trigger as **visitors have on several occasions attempted to take a Reenactors gun out of its holster.**
18. All performers will make sure that no unsafe whips, guns, knives, etc. enter the performance areas.
19. Knives used in any performance will not be sharp edged and will be inspected for safety.

All safety concerns as they pertain to spectators will be addressed by the Safety Officer on site and that decision will be final.

I, the undersigned, understand and do hereby agree to all the safety rules and I also agree to a background check as required. (Please note that there will be NO EXCEPTIONS)

Print Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____