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#### **SECTION 1: AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

The purpose of the Practical Hunting Rifle competition is to simulate hunting conditions in a controlled environment with a view to improving a hunter's performance.

This sport is designed exclusively as a test for hunters with hunting rifles, either Rimfire or Centrefire. The object is to simulate field hunting conditions in order to test the ability of the hunter and not only the accuracy of the rifle. Therefore it is a shooting contest of variable and non-standard format that examines practical marksmanship as it occurs in the hunting field.

The following elements of a competitor's ability may be tested:

- Judging distances
- Judging influence of the wind on the trajectory
- Understanding and use of ballistic performance
- Ability to correctly identify the vital zones for aiming on the target
- Ability to shoot from various positions
- Ability to shoot with time constraints

The range setup shall be structured with a view to enable testing of the above elements during a competition.

## SECTION 2: SSAA STANDARD RULES

### 2.1. SSAA Standard Rules Official National Rules No. 9.1 (Revised July 2021)

see

### 2.2. <https://www.ssaa.org.au/wp-content/uploads/SSAA-Standard-Rules-no.-9.1-Rev-July-2021.pdf>

## SECTION 3: EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS

For the purpose of these competitions, the rules shall apply equally to both Centrefire and Rimfire field, hunting or sporting rifles (hereafter referred to in these Rules as "Hunting Rifles").

**3.1. Centrefire hunting rifles** open class may be of any calibre and chambered for any centrefire factory or wildcat cartridge that is allowed on the SSAA range. The types of repeating action rifles that can be used are limited to bolt or lever actions. Single shot rifles with any type of action are allowed. Pump action or self-loading rifles are not allowed. There is no weight limitation.

**3.2.** Rifles chambered for **.222 / .223 Remington** may compete in a separate category to other centrefire rifles. This competition may be conducted concurrently to the 'open' centrefire competition or a separate match may be arranged. The rifle must meet the following requirements to participate in this category:

- Must be chambered for standard .222 Rem / .223 Rem rounds
- Rifle including scope, sling and magazine must weigh less than 6 kg
- The barrel may not extend more than 26" (660.4mm) from the front end of the action
- No suppressor or muzzle break may be fitted
- The telescope magnification will be fixed before the shoot. Maximum magnification allowed will be 14X.
- No elevation or windage dialling is allowed during the competition and scope turrets will be sealed
- Parallax may be adjusted at any time

**3.3.** Rifles chambered for a calibre of .330" or larger may compete in a '**big game**' category. This competition may be conducted concurrently to the 'open' centrefire competition, or a separate match may be arranged. The rifle must meet the following requirements to participate in this category:

- Must be chambered for a calibre of .330" or larger
- Must have a minimum bullet weight of 165 grains
- Must have a minimum muzzle energy of 2900 ft-lb
- The telescope magnification will be fixed before the shoot. Maximum magnification allowed will be 9X
- A muzzle break may be fitted
- There is no weight limitation
- Calibres selected shall be typical big game hunting calibres, in the spirit of this discipline

- 3.4. Rimfire hunting rifles** shall have the same specifications as standard centrefire rifles. Two classes of rimfire hunting rifles may be used. Matches for the different classes may be conducted concurrently or a separate match may be arranged.
- '.22LR' category shall be chambered for the .22LR rimfire cartridge
  - 'Open' category can be chambered for any rimfire cartridge
- 3.5. Triggers:** The triggering mechanism of any rifle will be functional and will be subjected to a safety check by the Match Director, if necessary. In the event of it being unserviceable, the competitor will not be allowed to continue with that rifle. Refer to Section 3.10 for the requirements of a replacement rifle.
- 3.6. Sights:** Any type of sight may be used throughout the course of a competition. The making of sight adjustments during a competition will be permitted, unless the requirements for a specific lane or category (e.g. 222 Rem / 223 Rem) specifies otherwise. Telescopic sights with integral electronic range finding capabilities shall not be allowed. Any standard reticle (including Mildot variants) is allowed. There is no limitation on the magnification power of telescopes in open class competition.
- 3.7. Accessories:** In both centrefire and rimfire classes recoil pad with extended underarm hooks and palm rests shall not be permitted.
- 3.8. Slings:** Slings typically encountered on hunting rifles are allowed to be used. If a sling is used, it must be fastened to the stock at two points, the front attachment must be forward of the action / barrel joint and the rear attachment must be behind the action tang. A sling may be adjusted but not added to or removed from a rifle once a match has commenced.

The following requirements shall be adhered to:

- Slings of any width are allowed
  - Simple carry slings are allowed
  - Slings with loops (Whelan, 1907 or similar) are allowed
  - Slings equipped with Velcro, hooks or similar fittings with the intent to hook onto a jacket or other clothing items are not allowed
  - Specialist slings (e.g. slings that wrap around the body, 3 point slings etc.) are not allowed.
  - The final decision regarding eligibility of a sling rests with the Discipline Chairman at state competition and in local competition by the Match Director
- 3.9. Weights:** No weights, attachments or devices shall be added to, adjusted or removed from the rifle or sling for the purpose of changing the weight or balance of the rifle (e.g. "heavy" slings, muzzle weights etc.).
- 3.10. One rifle** shall be used to complete a competition. The exception is where a breakage or failure of some part of a rifle prevents a competitor from completing the course of fire. If this is the case, the Range Officer shall note the time remaining for that competitor and they shall be allowed to use another rifle, provided it complies with these rules in all aspects, and resume shooting as soon

as possible or after their detail has completed firing. If the breakage or failure occurs during a timed event, the opportunity will be lost to complete that lane.

Under no circumstances shall a competitor be given extra shooting time over that outlined in these rules.

- 3.11. Range finding equipment:** No electronic or mechanical distance ranging or wind velocity measuring equipment shall be used on the competition premises or the sight in range.
- 3.12. Shooting mats:** The use of shooting mats shall not be permitted. Where shooting is to commence over rough terrain that may damage the competitor's equipment, a thin, blanket type covering for protection may be supplied by the organizers. This supplied coverage must stay on the shooting point for the duration of the competition and is the only coverage that is allowed. Where no coverage is supplied, the competitor may remove their hat or cap and use it as protection. No other material will be allowed.
- 3.13. Shooting gloves or mitts** are not permitted. Gloves may be worn to protect the competitor against the climate or the physical environment only. Gloves may not strengthen the wrists or provide artificial support in any way.
- 3.14. Jackets and Coats:** Hunting or shooting jackets that are usually worn while hunting will be allowed, including jackets with elbow protectors and recoil pads. Clothing or jackets that are unnecessarily heavy or jackets with artificial support that restrict movement to provide a more stable shooting position shall not be allowed. Jackets are intended to protect against the current climatic conditions and the physical environment at the firing point, not to provide additional support or stability whilst shooting.
- 3.15. Elbow protectors**, typically made from leather and fitted around the elbow with straps, are allowed. No elbow protectors that provide more artificial support than these shall be allowed.
- 3.16. Knee protectors**, similar to those available as industrial safety equipment, may be worn to protect the shooter against the environment.
- 3.17. Boots / shoes** shall be without steel bars, wide soles, or other stiffening devices in the upper part of the shoe, except for steel toe protection.
- 3.18. Bipods** or any other attachments for steadying the rifle shall not be allowed.
- 3.19. Muzzle brakes** are allowed.

## SECTION 4: RANGE SETUP, STAFFING, TARGETS, COURSE OF FIRE

### 4.1. RANGE REQUIREMENTS / SETUP

The range setup is of a variable and non-standard format.

Rimfire Hunting Rifle matches will typically be completed as a separate competition to Centrefire Hunting Rifle competitions. Categories within centrefire or rimfire matches may be shot concurrently.

The required **minimum and maximum shooting distance** shall be as per the table below.

Category	Approximate Minimum distance for any lane with gongs (m)	Approximate Minimum distance for at least one lane without gongs (m)	Approximate Maximum distance (m)
Centrefire - open	150	250	400
Centrefire - 222/223	150	250	400
Centrefire - big game	150	200	300
Rimfire - open	75	150	250
Rimfire - .22LR	40	100	150

### 4.2. STAFFING REQUIREMENTS AND DUTIES

The following officials are the minimum required to be complied with to hold a registered tournament. Their duties are as follows:

- 4.2.1. **Match Director:** To conduct the tournament in a safe and proper manner and carry out the procedures as outlined in these Rules. The Match Director will also ensure that competitors on the firing line conform to the rules as outlined in this rule book. The Match Director is responsible for ensuring the safety of all competitors and visitors.
- 4.2.2. **Range Officer:** To assist the Match Director in controlling safety during the match and any other matters as requested by the Match Director. Note: For 6 competitors and below, minimum of 1 Match Director, for 7 to 15 competitors, minimum of 1 Match Director and 1 Range Officer, and for 15 plus competitors a minimum of 1 Match Director and 2 Range Officers.
- 4.2.3. **Delegate of the subcommittee** or an appointed proxy will be present at all registered tournaments to ensure that official sanction for registration is only granted to those ranges which conduct tournaments in accordance with these Rules. The Delegate is to forward a copy of the score sheet/s to the Discipline Chairman.
- 4.2.4. **Registration:** Any Club or Branch wishing to host a registered tournament shall notify the Discipline Chairman who will inspect the range (if necessary) and issue the approval no later than 7 days before the match.

- 4.2.5. **Dispute Committee:** The Match Director shall appoint a Dispute Committee consisting of the Match Director and 2 additional qualified persons. The purpose of the Dispute Committee is to assist the Match Director and Range Officer in interpretation of the rules when support is requested by an official.

### 4.3. TARGETS

The targets used will be steel plates and colour or black and white photographic prints of animals typically hunted. These targets can be a full scale print of an animal or just a part of the animal, which simulate partly obscured animals.

- 4.3.1. **Range finding equipment** may not be used to set up these targets; distances will be judged by the organizers and are approximate.
- 4.3.2. **Examples** of the paper targets used must be displayed at the shooting points, clearly identifying score zones. These targets should preferably be full scaled.
- 4.3.3. **Steel plates** of varying shapes and sizes, up to a maximum diameter of 200mm may also be used in combination on a centrefire range. For rimfire matches, steel plates of varying shapes and sizes, up to a maximum diameter of 100mm may be used. Steel targets must be reactive, thus allowed to swing when hit.

Placement: Steel plates must be clearly visible to the naked eye, clearly marked and numbered for easy identification. Numbering of the steel plates must consist of contrasting light and dark colours and be at least A4 sized, for example a black number on a white A4 paper, attached to the frame supporting the steel plate or located next to it.

- 4.3.4. **Charging Animal Event:** A lane may be set up with a target mounted on a skid that is advancing towards the competitor. The frame of the skid shall be constructed from non-metallic components to mitigate against a ricochet. The minimum target distance shall be 5m. Any shot fired after the target has crossed the minimum distance marker will result in the highest score being deducted.

### 4.4. COURSE OF FIRE

A typical competition consists of 30 shots over 6 lanes, i.e. 5 shots per lane. The number of lanes and shots per lane may be altered as required. Practice matches of less than 30 shots may be organised at a club and State/Territory level.

- 4.4.1. Competitors shall complete the **course of fire** in the order prescribed by the Match Director.
- 4.4.2. **Sighting and fouling shots:** A sighting opportunity will be allowed for each competitor before the commencement of competition. This shall only take place on a sighting lane when available. A 100m (where possible 200m) sight in lane, manned by a Range Officer, must be available before the start of a centrefire competition. For rimfire matches, a 100m range must be available. No 'fouling shots' are allowed on any other range during the competition.



- 4.5. Changing of shooting position:** The Range Officer will explain the positions to be used on each lane. General guidelines for positions are available in Section 5. During a course of fire, competitors may be required to change positions. While changing positions, the rifle's bolt shall remain open until the competitor is stable and ready to fire from the new position.
- 4.6. Rifle and equipment check:** Prior to the commencement of the competition, each competitor may have their rifle and equipment checked by the Match Director or others nominated to ensure compliance with Section 3 of these Rules. Rifles and equipment passing the check are still subject to protest and appeal for any possible infringement of the rules as per Section Error! Reference source not found..
- 4.7. Briefing:** Competitors shall be briefed prior to the commencement of the competition by the Match Director or other nominated person on the safety requirements of the range, the order in which to complete the lanes and the course of fire.
- 4.8. Starting time:** Competitors will not be allowed to participate in a competition if not already enrolled by the closing time for registrations as set by the organizers. It is mandatory for all competitors to attend the safety briefing before the match.
- 4.9. Disruption to competition:** Once a competition has begun, it is to continue without unnecessary delays to its completion except for exceptional circumstances (i.e. shooting could continue through a rain shower but would stop for a torrential downpour). Match Directors are required to exercise their discretion in this regard, taking the safety of all competitors and officials into consideration.
- 4.10. Coaching:** There shall be no outside assistance of any nature, including spotting, whilst a competitor is on the firing line. Competitors may not accept information from spectators that may be regarded as providing them with an unfair competitive advantage. **The exception to this** is that Juniors under 15 years may be assisted and coached by one adult, between shots. However, no one other than the Junior may touch or support the rifle or the provided support / rest when the shot is fired, nor may the body of the Junior be supported or stabilised by another person. Only rests or supports supplied by the organisers may be used.
- 4.11. Misfires:** In the event of a misfire with either rimfire or centrefire ammunition, the competitor shall notify the Range Officer. The action needs to remain closed for 30 seconds to confirm that a delayed ignition ("hang fire") is not taking place while pointing downrange. After this time has lapsed, the Range Officer will instruct the competitor to open the bolt and replace the cartridge. No additional time will be allowed to complete the remaining shots. Competitors must provide for misfires by having extra ammunition available.
- 4.12. Short cycling:** If the bolt is cycled but no round is loaded into the chamber ('short cycling'), no additional time will be allowed and the requirements as per misfiring in Section 4.11 will be followed.
- 4.13. Malfunctions and jams:** In the event of a malfunction or jam, the competitor shall notify the Range Officer. An attempt will be made by the competitor to make their rifle safe, under supervision of the Range Officer. If the rifle cannot be cleared in

a reasonable time, the rifle shall be made safe and removed from the range to a competent person for repairs. Under no circumstance shall an attempt be made to remove a stuck live round by insertion of a cleaning rod or similar object from the muzzle end of the firearm. A replacement rifle may be used, subject to the requirements of Section 3.10. No additional time will be allowed to complete the course of fire for that lane.

- 4.14. Cease fires:** The Range Officer will clear rifles (i.e. ensuring chambers and magazines are empty), rifles will be placed in a safe, stable position and competitors will step back until the cease fire is resolved. Competitors shall follow the Range Officer's commands at all times and remain behind the firing line in the area the Range Officer will designate. If an emergency cease fire is required, any competitor may use "Cease Fire". All shooting shall immediately be stopped.
- 4.15. Reshoots:** The Match Director and / or the Discipline Chairman only, may if they deem that a competitor has not received a fair opportunity due to some act of providence or unforeseen circumstance (i.e. targets displaced or falling from the target frames or a malfunction of any range equipment) permit a target to be replaced by a new one or reinstate the original target. The affected competitor may then complete their course of fire at the new targets.
- 4.16. Adjusting of supports:** Supports may not be adjusted before the 'Commence Fire' command is given by the Range Officer.

## SECTION 5: SHOOTING POSITIONS

In the spirit of the competition, freedom is usually allowed to find a position within the general common sense guidelines for a target being engaged. From time to time specific positions may be prescribed to complete a lane in addition to the general guidelines below. In describing these positions it is assumed that the competitor is right handed, if left handed, the reverse applies. A sling that meets the specifications in Section 3.8 may be used in all positions unless specified otherwise.

In the interests of safety, all competitors must keep their bodies behind the firing line at all times while shooting is in progress and be subject to the Range Officer's commands.

- 5.1. Standing unsupported** is defined as: standing on both feet without support of any kind for either the rifle or the competitor, with no part of the body or limbs to touch the ground or any other object, except the soles of the boots/shoes. The rifle must be held in both hands, with one hand forward of the pistol grip.
- 5.2. Standing supported** is defined as: standing on both feet and placing the left hand or rifle, or both, against a support supplied for this purpose, while holding the fore-end of the rifle with the left hand, or resting the fore-end of the rifle on the left wrist or forearm.
- 5.3. Kneeling unsupported** is defined as: kneeling so that the competitor touches the ground only with the underside of the left foot and the lower underside of the right leg (i.e. the portion of the leg below the knee), including foot and knee, the buttocks resting on the right heel and the left elbow on the left knee, no other part of the

body is to touch any support or object. No kneeling roll is to be used under the right instep. No other part of the competitor's body shall touch the ground or any other support.

- 5.4. Kneeling supported** is defined as: kneeling so that the competitor touches the ground only with the underside of the left foot and the lower underside of the right leg (i.e. the portion of the leg below the knee), including foot and knee, the buttocks resting on the right heel and the left elbow on the left knee. No kneeling roll is to be used under the right instep. The provided support may be used by placing the left hand or rifle, or both, against a support supplied for this purpose, while holding the fore-end of the rifle with the left hand, or resting the fore-end of the rifle on the left wrist or forearm. An alternative kneeling position is when the competitor touches the ground with both knees and the lower underside (i.e. the portion of the leg below the knee) of both legs.
- 5.5. Sitting unsupported** is defined as: sitting with only buttocks, legs and feet touching the ground. No other part of the body is to touch any support or object.
- 5.6. Sitting supported** is defined as: sitting with only buttocks, legs and feet touching the ground. The provided support may be used to stabilise the rifle.
- 5.7. Prone unsupported** is defined as: Laying on the ground with the rifle held in both hands, with one hand forward of the pistol grip. No part of the rifle shall make contact with the ground. No part of the body or limbs to touch any other object apart from the ground. Forearms or hands may not touch the ground.
- 5.8. Prone supported** is defined as: Laying on the ground with the rifle controlled by both hands. The provided support may be used to stabilise the rifle.

## **SECTION 6: GRADES, AWARDS AND RECORDS**

### **6.1. CLASSES**

- Junior U/15 Under 15 years at start of competition
- Junior 15 years and over but under 18 years at start of competition
- Open

### **6.2. GRADES**

Grades are based on previous performances in competitions consisting of 30+ shots and shall be recorded on the ranking list. The percentage quoted is the competitor's score expressed as a percentage of the possible maximum score.

<b>Bronze</b>	Below 60% or first time entrants
<b>Silver</b>	60% and higher but less than 80%
<b>Gold</b>	80% and higher

The first time a competitor has achieved the minimum requirements for a given performance grade, they will remain and compete in that grade. The discipline chairman may consider written requests and allow regression in performance

classes based upon written submission from the competitor.

### **6.3. AWARDS**

All competitors qualify to be overall winners on a specific day and for overall ranking.

Awards per class will depend on the number of entries for that class, at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

### **6.4. RECORDS**

6.4.1. **Claiming records:** All scores to be recognised as State records must be fired at Registered Matches as per Section 4.2.4. State Records may be fired at any registered match.

6.4.2. **Ratification of records:** Record claims fired at a State Championship will be checked and ratified by the Sub Committee following completion of the competition. Record claims can be sent to the Discipline Chairman at any time. At the next Sub Committee meeting, following receipt of the claim, the Discipline Chairman will submit any Record claims to the Sub Committee meeting for ratification. As targets gets patched and reused, it is not practical to submit the actual targets for checking and ratification. The official signed score sheets will be used for this purpose.

The Discipline Chairman may note record claims submitted during the year as provisional records until ratified by the Sub Committee. Following the ratification of records the Discipline Chairman will arrange for the records to be recorded.

6.4.3. **Current records** Competitors should familiarise themselves with record scores as it is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure the Delegate submits score sheets relating to a record claim to the Discipline Chairman.

## **SECTION 7: SCORING, PENALTIES, CROSS FIRE, EXTRA SHOTS, etc.**

7.1. **Inspecting targets:** A competitor may only advance past the shooting point to the targets once they have completed that specific lane and only for the purpose of scoring once the Range Officer has given the command to do so. Where a competitor is accompanying a junior or inexperienced competitor, they may only advance past the shooting point once they have completed shooting that specific lane. Targets may not be scrutinized through any optical devices while not shooting. This includes telescopes on rifles and binoculars.

7.2. **Approaching targets for scoring:** No competitor may be closer than 2m from their target or attempt to touch a target before the target is scored and they have signed off their score on the official scorecard.

7.3. **Shooting outside the allocated time slot:** Any competitor who fires a shot before the command to commence shooting will be deemed to have had an accidental discharge and will be disqualified. All shots fired at paper targets after the

command to cease fire will have their highest scoring shot deducted. All shots fired at steel plates after the command to cease fire will score a miss (0 points) on that plate.

- 7.4. **Cross fires:** If a competitor fires at the wrong target, a nil score will be entered for each shot that competitor missed, even if their shots can be identified on any other target.
- 7.5. If a competitor fires **more than the stipulated number of shots** for a specific lane, the highest scoring shots will be deducted until the correct number of shots remains and those remaining shots shall be used to score the target.
- 7.6. If there are **additional shots on a target not fired by that competitor**, the following will apply: If the calibre can be distinguished, the competitor is scored on his own calibre only. If not, the Range Officer will apply his discretion to score the target, taking all circumstances of the situation into consideration. If that is not possible, the Range Officer will engage the dispute committee for a decision. Competitors must provide for a potential reshoot by having extra ammunition available.
- 7.7. If found to practice **misconduct** in any way, including intentionally firing additional shots on their own target or on any other target or using or participate in using range-finding equipment for the purpose of enhancing anyone's performance in the competition, such competitor will be disqualified.
- 7.8. **Scoring:** If there is no visible space between the calibre sized hole and the scoring line, the higher scoring zone will apply. THE EXCEPTION: If a bullet hole touches a scoring line between an area indicating a miss (zero score outside the target area) and a negative score area, the negative (lower) will count. For example: The line between a positive score (30, 20, 15, etc.) and a negative score (-15, -5, etc.) results in the positive score (30, 20, 15, etc.), but the line between Zero (0) and a negative score (-15, -5, etc.) results in the negative score (-15, -5, etc.). See Appendix C for examples of how these rules should be interpreted.
- 7.9. **Gauging shot value:** If doubt exists if the bullet hole touches a scoring line, the Range Officer may insert a gauge of the same calibre as the competitor was using into the hole without distorting the edges and confirm if there is any visible gap between the hole and the scoring line.
- 7.10. **V-Scores:** The inner circle of some 30 score areas will be scored as 30.1 to help distinguish between competitors in the event of the same final score. Where competitors have identical scores after completion of the competition, the higher placed competitor will be determined by highest score achieved on lane 1. If their lane 1 scores are equal, the same process will be repeated for lanes 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 until a distinction can be made.
- 7.11. **Scoring of steel plates:** The Range Officer shall designate a person who will visually confirm a hit through detecting impact on the plate surface. Binoculars or spotting scopes may be used for this purpose. Gongs engaged out of the prescribed sequence will be scored as a miss.

**7.12. Shooting contrary to course of fire:** Unless other specific penalties are prescribed, if a competitor infringes the rules by shooting contrary to the prescribed course of fire, for each such shot the competitor's highest scoring shot will be deducted.

**7.13.** The **Range Officer's judgment** is final, except as described in Section 4.2.5.

## **SECTION 8: RANGE COMMANDS**

Following the Range Officer's explanation of the specific lane's course of fire, position, etc. the range commands that will precede firing will be:

### **8.1. Hunting rifle range commands – NON TIMED event**

- 8.1.1. Competitors, you may load x rounds
- 8.1.2. Competitors, are you ready? (wait 3 seconds)
- 8.1.3. Stand by
- 8.1.4. Commence (one second delay) fire
- 8.1.5. (On completion of the course of fire the Range Officer clears rifles and competitors rack the rifles).
- 8.1.6. When all lanes are finished, Match Director closes the range, moves forward, scores and patches targets

### **8.2. Hunting rifle commands – TIMED events**

- 8.2.1 Competitors, you may load x rounds
- 8.2.2 Competitors, are you ready? (wait 3 seconds)
- 8.2.3 Stand by
- 8.2.4 Commence (one second delay) fire
- 8.2.5 Give warnings at the following intervals:
  - 90 seconds remaining
  - 60 seconds remaining
  - 30 seconds remaining
  - 10 seconds remaining
- 8.2.6 Count down from 5 to 3 seconds left, followed by "cease", (one second delay) "fire"
- 8.2.7 (On completion of the course of fire the Range Officer clears rifles and competitors rack the rifles)
- 8.2.8 When all lanes are finished, Match Director closes the range, moves forward, scores and patches targets

## APPENDIX A: DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation of this document:

COACHING	Providing assistance, including feedback about distances, wind strength, shooting positions or spotting
COMPETITION	A contest held where a winner is determined after completing all prescribed shots.
COURSE OF FIRE	The prescribed shooting position, number of shots, sequence and targets to be engaged.
DETAIL	Group of competitors.
LANE	A simulated hunting scenario which comprises one part of the total range layout.
RANGE	All the lanes combined form the range. May also refer to the SSAA club where the competition is held.
SPOTTING	Providing feedback on the point of impact of a previous shot on a paper target or gong

## APPENDIX B: PROTEST RESOLUTION FORM

Appeal - Dispute Resolution Data collection.

<b>Shooter</b>	<b>Name:</b>		<b>Match Entry #</b>		<b>Member number</b>	
<b>Event</b>	<b>Date:</b>		<b>Time:</b>		<b>Deposit</b>	<b>NOT Collected / Collected</b>
<b>Location</b>	<b>Range Officer</b>		<b>Lane #</b>		<b>Target # and type</b>	
<b>Main Issue?</b>						
<b>Key question?</b>			<b>Rulebook reference</b>		<b>Outcome</b>	<b>UPHELD / REJECTED</b>
<b>Notes:</b>						

Signatures:

Competitor: \_\_\_\_\_

Range Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee member: \_\_\_\_\_

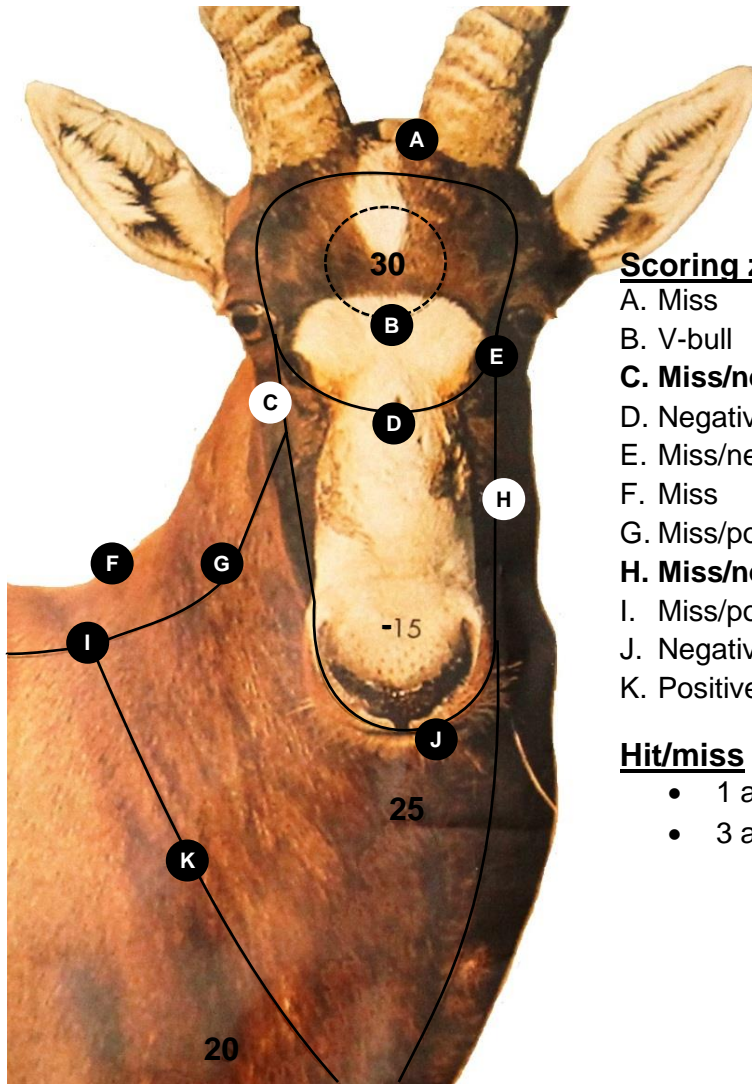
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## APPENDIX C: TARGET SCORING ZONES



### Scoring zones and resultant score

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|---------------------------|----------------------|
| A. Miss                   | (Score = 0)          |
| B. V-bull                 | (Score = 30.1)       |
| <b>C. Miss/negative</b>   | <b>(Score = -15)</b> |
| D. Negative/positive      | (Score = 30)         |
| E. Miss/negative/positive | (Score = 30)         |
| F. Miss                   | (Score = 0)          |
| G. Miss/positive          | (Score = 25)         |
| <b>H. Miss/negative</b>   | <b>(Score = -15)</b> |
| I. Miss/positive/positive | (Score = 25)         |
| J. Negative/positive      | (Score = 25)         |
| K. Positive/positive      | (Score = 25)         |

### Hit/miss

- 1 and 2 = miss
- 3 and 4 = hit

