

# **LOTHIAN & BORDERS TARGET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION**

## **INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS REGULATIONS**

1. All Championships are open to members of affiliated clubs and individual members of the Association whose normal place of residence is within the administrative boundaries of the Association. Students attending a university or college outwith those boundaries but whose familial home is within those boundaries are also qualified to enter.
2. Indoor Championships:
  - Open
  - Ladies
  - Veterans                      Aged 60 or over on the 31<sup>st</sup> March of the indoor season concerned.
  - Junior                         Aged under 18 on the 31<sup>st</sup> March of the indoor season concerned.
  - Inexpert A                    Those with an average of under 92.0 and 88.0 or over.
  - Inexpert B                    For those with an average under 88.0.
  - Benchrest                    Shot to NSRA BR Rules.
3. Outdoor Championships:
  - Open
  - Handicap

### SECTION A – INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. All entrants in all the indoor Championships will shoot three 10-shot cards on a postal basis. All those Championships apart from the Open will be decided on this stage.
2. For the postal stage, numbered stickers will be issued, to be affixed to the front of each card. Cards need not be shot in sticker-number order, but the scores will be reported and any tie-splitting countback operation applied in that order.
3. Entrants to more than one Championship (except Benchrest) may shoot their cards concurrently, i.e., by placing the relevant stickers on the same cards.
4. The cards for each Championship are not a set and may be shot together or separately at any time during the match period.
5. The top 16 scorers in the Open Championship will be invited to take part in a shoulder-to-shoulder final at a range to be selected by the Management Committee. Reserves will be listed in the order of their qualifying scores and invited to attend in turn if a qualifier drops out. The final will be conducted on a knock-out basis, with two cards per round.
6. Local scoring is permitted but clubs are encouraged to send shot targets (scored or not) to the organiser so that any ties can be quickly determined.
7. Where there is a tie on raw gunscore for first place in any Championship with a trophy (except for Benchrest – see para 8) as well as for the top qualifier for the Open Championship, then it will be resolved by those involved firing two extra cards. If still a tie on gunscore, the NSRA's tie-breaking rules will apply to the tie-break cards, summarised and expanded here:

1. Countback.
2. The highest number of 100s, 99s, 98s, etc.
3. The highest number of 10s, 9s, 8s etc.
4. (In addition to the NSRA Rules): if the tie remains unbroken (say on maximum scores) then the tie will be decided on the number of spots clearly eliminated or covered with the flange of a .177 scoring gauge on paper targets, or the number of 10.7s or greater on electronic targets.

For places below those involved in the tie-break for first place, countback only will be applied, subject to Para 9 below.

8. Ties on raw gunscore for first place in the Benchrest Championship will be decided by the highest number of Xs shot by each competitor involved. If still a tie, then two extra cards will be shot by those involved with the same tie conditions being applied repeatedly as necessary.
9. Ties for
  - (a) the last qualifying place(s) and the order of reserves for the final of the Open Championship and
  - (b) the first and second places in the two Inexpert Championshipswill be decided by the tie-breaking rules given in Para 7(1) to 7(4) above.
10. Where cards have been locally-scored and there are ties defined in the situations given in Paras 7 and 9 above that cannot be resolved by countback then the organiser is empowered to request the club(s) involved either to send in the scored cards or email photographs or scans of the scored cards involved in any such tie as requested by the organiser. If tied scores subsequently need to be resolved by the Para 7(4) rule then the paper targets themselves must be sent in. If no response is provided within the timescale requested then the competitors involved will be listed in alphabetical order (surname/initial) after any that have been compliant with the request.
11. If the Open Championship final is shot on electronic targets, tied matches will be decided by
  1. Countback.
  2. The higher number of 10.9s, 10.8s etc, i.e. the higher number of the highest decimal score recorded by either competitor in the match.
  3. The higher number of 10.6s and better scored.
  4. If still not resolved, then the higher number of 10.5s and better, then the number of 10.4s and better and so on.
12. If the Open Championship final is shot on paper targets, tied matches will be decided by
  1. Countback.
  2. The higher number of 100s, 99s, 98s, etc.
  3. The higher number of 10s, 9s, 8s etc.
  4. If the tie remains unbroken (say on maximum scores) then the match will be decided on the number of spots clearly eliminated or covered with the flange of a .177 scoring gauge.
13. For the benchrest Championship it is strongly recommended that 2010BR17-18 (20yds) or 2510BR15-18 (25yds) or 25M10BR15-18 (25m) targets should be used, but ordinary NSRA 1989-18 targets will be accepted. Local scoring for this Championship may only be carried out if the scorer has an X-ring gauge appropriate for the distance, otherwise the cards must be sent to the organiser for scoring.

## SECTION B – OUTDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

The outdoor Championships have traditionally been held concurrently with the Unsquadded Aggregate at the NSRA's Scottish National Meeting. Because that meeting has not been held for some years and at time of writing it is not clear whether it will ever resume, these Championships have been and will, until that time, be held on an outdoor range at a time and place of the Management Committee's choosing.

## SECTION C – GENERAL

1. Unless otherwise stated, NSRA rules and regulations will apply.
2. Any protests regarding the infringement of the Regulations, scores, etc, must be made in writing and must reach the organiser within seven days. All protests shall be placed before the Management Committee and their decision shall be final.

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