

SECTION 6

AIR PISTOL

WINTER INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM LEAGUES

Individual League

- 6.1 **Competition**
This competition will be shot under Police Sport UK Shooting Section and NSRA Rules relating to postal shooting, on indoor ranges during the winter season, and will comprise TEN rounds with twenty shots to be fired, ten on each of two targets. Any number of rounds may be shot in advance.
- 6.2 **Firing Position** - Standing with the pistol held in one hand with all portions of the pistol shooting arm clothing and body clear of any support.
- 6.3 **Targets** - NSRA or equivalent design (AIR 4) 10-metre targets.
- 6.4 **Replacement centres** - These may be used to save on postage, and returned to the Statistical Officer instead of the whole card but must be properly signed and witnessed on the back and carry the label. If any shot falls outside the centre then the whole card must be returned.
- 6.5 **Competition labels** – An adhesive label will be provided for each card of each round and shall be affixed in accordance with the instructions of the competition organiser. The Club Official receiving the labels will be responsible for the attaching of the labels to the appropriate card, and for impressing the Club stamp or signing across the label so that it overlaps both the label and the card, before handing the card to the competitor for shooting.
- 6.6 **Entry fee** - shall be as stated on the entry form.
- 6.7 **Declaration of averages** - Individuals will be required to declare their average by submitting a written declaration signed by the CLUB CHAIRMAN or SECRETARY setting out the most recent scores made in competitive pistol shooting. The best ten such scores will be averaged from the most recent twelve scores.
- 6.8 **Composition of divisions** – Entrants will be divided into divisions of ten persons, according to the average submitted as above.
- 6.9 **Allocation of match points** - The top score in each round shall be awarded 10 points, the second 9 points, and so on. Equal scores will be allocated the same number of points each.
- 6.10 **Scoring** - ISSF rules for scoring shall apply.
- 6.11 **Return of cards** - All shot cards will be sent to the designated Statistical Officer for scoring except where the Statistical Officer is a member of a team or where there is a team from the Statistical Officer's Force, when special arrangements will be made.
NOTE - All labels must be returned whether attached to card or not and whether shot or unshot. This must be done IN ALL CASES and within the time allowed for each round. If a label is lost or mislaid a note to that effect must be submitted and the missing labels returned when found.

Team League

- 6.10 **Competition** – As for the Individual competition. All rules 6.2 to 6.11 apply with the following exceptions:
- 6.11 **Concurrent shooting** - There is no requirement for a competitor entered in an individual league to also shoot in a team league, but if a competitor does so compete in both leagues then the scores shall be concurrent. If a competitor starts the competition as a member of a team but is later withdrawn from any team then he shall be eligible to continue in the Individual League and he shall be supplied with the appropriate stickers on application to the organiser. No competitor may shoot for more than one Club.
- 6.12 **Personnel of League Teams** - Clubs will be required to register their team members and their averages on their entry form.
- a) Teams will consist of THREE members, with scores of each member to count in every round. No competitor may shoot for more than one club.
- b) No competitor shall shoot for more than one team in the same round.
- c) Where a club enters more than one team, the best available shots WILL be placed in the 'A' team and the next best in the 'B' team, and so on. Team members will be ranked in order of submitted averages, using data from the Individual League entries. Should a team member become permanently unavailable to shoot, and provided that a replacement is available, the team captain or force representative should contact the League Organiser as soon as possible to enable the change to be made effective before results are publicised.
- d) A team member may not shoot for a lower team in his club other than in accordance with the following:
- i) A member in a higher team who has the lowest or equal lowest average for his last three cards may be relegated to a lower team.
- ii) If after three rounds any member of a lower team achieves an average better than that of a member of a higher team, then an exchange may be made.
- The overriding principle in the substitution of team members, notwithstanding Rule 6.12(c), is the fact that it would be taking an unsporting advantage to keep a higher scoring member in a lower team.
- e) Lower team members may be substituted for a higher team member any number of times without losing their lower team status, subject to Rule 6.12(b).
- f) Retired members are eligible to represent the force or police service from which they retired.
- 6.13 For comparison and publication the Statistical Officer will, when assessing team averages, include those rounds in which a completed entry was received, i.e. three members having shot and qualified to count. Aggregates will be assessed in the normal manner.
- 6.14 **Excessively high scores** - Where in the early rounds of a competition, a team scores grossly in excess of its declared average, an explanation may be sought and any action deemed necessary will be decided by the Committee.
- 6.15 **Composition of divisions** – Teams will be allocated to divisions of SIX except where the number of teams entered makes this impossible in which case the lowest division will be enlarged or a 'bogey' or 'bogeys' introduced as appropriate.

- 6.15 **Allocation of match points** - The top score in each round shall be awarded 6 points, the second 5 points, and so on. Equal scores will be allocated the same number of points each.
- 6.16 **Shooting on the same range** - A team's cards need not all be shot on the same range, or on the same day, BUT they must all be returned to the Statistical Officer within THREE DAYS of the last day for shooting of the period concerned.

To assist teams with widely separated membership the 'last day of shooting' will not be printed on the labels. Club Officials are therefore responsible for ensuring that shot cards are returned to them in time for their return to the Statistical Officer within the time allowed.