

Rifle 411

OVERVIEW: Competitors shoot two different rifles attempting to hit the Bull's-eye in the center of the target, which is a dot the size of the period at the end of this sentence.

AIR RIFLE: A rifle that uses a .177 caliber pellet propelled by a charge of compressed air instead of a gunpowder charge.

SMALLBORE RIFLE: A single shot rifle chambered for .22 caliber.

COURSE OF FIRE FOR SMALLBORE: After a 15-minute sighting and preparation period, competitors have 1 hour 45 minutes to fire 20 shots kneeling, 20 shots prone and 20 shots standing for a total of 60 shots. All shots are fired at 50 feet.

COURSE OF FIRE FOR AIR RIFLE: After a 15-minute sighting and preparation period, competitors have 1 hour 15 minutes to fire 60 shots in the standing position. All fired at 10 meters (about 33 feet).

RANGE OFFICER: The person(s) in charge of timing the match and "running the line" (assisting athletes who are having difficulties).

RELAY: A firing line of athletes competing in a match at a designated time.



SCORING: Each shot is worth a maximum of 10 points. Sixty shots in each gun are worth a perfect score of 600.

TIE-BREAKING: Ties in individual and team matches are broken by the number of center tens or "X's". If still tied the process is continued with other tie breaking methods until you have a winner.

CENTER 10: Also known as an "X" is a shot very close to perfect. Although not used in team scoring, you will see scores for individual shots displayed in decimal form to indicate exact shot value.

CLEAN: A perfect series, in which the athlete scores a 10 on each shot of the 10 shot series. Can also be used in reference to a perfect match.

SHOOTING OUTFIT: Uniforms are made of leather or canvas and provide support and to minimize the effect of pulse and recoil. Strict guidelines are in place to regulate all apparel thickness and stiffness.

SHOOTING GLOVE: A padded glove with or without fingers may be used to ensure the comfort of the support hand as the athlete holds the rifle.

FRONT SIGHT: The sight attached to the end of the barrel of the rifle, holding the front aperture.

REAR SIGHT: The sight attached near the rear of the rifle, used for adjustment.

KNEELING: Shooting from a kneeling position with the offhand (non-trigger side) supported by a shoulder sling and the elbow on the knee.

STANDING: The unsupported standing position.

PRONE: Shooting from the floor while using a shoulder sling for support.

RECORD SHOTS: Also known as going for record, those shots that are counted toward the match score, with "sighters" or sighting shots not included.

SIGHTERS: Practice shots taken before going for record shots. Distinguished with a colored triangle in the top right corner of the visible target.

TEAM SCORE: For NCAA matches, a team will compete with a 5-person team and the top 4 scores will count towards the team score.

AGGREGATE TEAM SCORE: The addition of the smallbore team score and the air rifle team score for a total aggregate score. Aggregate scores are used to determine the NCAA National Champion Team.



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Competitor name, firing lane, and school represented.



Total score for the stage (147) with the total number of center shots (7x).

All shots taken with this symbol are sighting shots and do not count towards the final score.

Total score accumulated (383) with the total number of center shots (16x).

Point values for each shot. All previous shots appear in green while the most recent shot appears in red. Only the whole numbers will count. So the 10.7x in red will score as 10 points.

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