



BFTA
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TARGET ASSOCIATION



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1. Competitors may gain Grand Prix points from 6 (six) of the 8 (eight) rounds.
2. The whole series of eight shoots will be graded according to the BFTA Grading List frozen after 19th March 2017.
3. For grades AA-C and Piston Class, GP Points will be awarded on the basis of the percentage scored:
The competitor(s) with the highest score of the day will be awarded 100 points. All other competitors, whatever their grade, will be awarded points equal to their percentage of the highest score.
For example, if the highest score of the day is 40 ex 50, then that person(s) will score 100 points. If you score 30 ex 50 then you have achieved 75% ($30 \div 40 \times 100$) of the highest score, so you will be awarded 75 points, and so on.
For the Open Class, points will be awarded as a percentage of the highest score in the Open Class.
4. In the event of any tied scores at the end of the Grand Prix Series, a shoot-off will take place at the end of the final round. Any shoot off is in order to find clear positions from 1st to 10th place in "AA", "A", "B" and "C" and 1st to 5th place in "Piston" and "Open" classes.
5. Anyone wishing to enter a Grand Prix Shoot who does not hold a BFTA card will pay an extra £2 and will be entered as un-graded. The £2 will go to the BFTA.
6. The BFTA reserve the right to vary the 8 nominated events at any time.
7. The whole Series will be run to the BFTA Main Shoot Rules and the rules set out in this document.
8. The following are mandatory requirements: (except in the case of Rule 12)
 - i. There must be two lanes designated kneeling. (The combined distance of the two targets in each lane must not exceed 70 yards per lane).
 - ii. There must be three lanes designated standing. (The combined distance of the two targets in each lane must not exceed 60 yards per lane).
 - iii. There must be a minimum of three and a maximum of eight 25mm hit zone targets set out to a maximum range of 35 yards of which only 2 may be in the range 30-35 yards.
 - iv. There must be a minimum of zero and a maximum of two 15mm hit zone targets set out to a maximum range of 25 yards.

9. All guns used in the competition may be chronographed, and where possible the guns will be tested on the same chronograph each time. Where possible, the chronograph will be positioned on the course at a point convenient to the practise area. The chronograph should be marshalled continuously throughout the day.

Please See MAIN SHOOT RULES, Rule 3 - EQUIPMENT TESTING including a. b. and c.

10. The BFTA will provide Score Cards together with a current Grading List for each of the eight rounds, plus a standard Score Sheet which is to be completed in full. The Score Sheet will include a BFTA Card Number column to assist in identifying competitors, the completed sheet must be returned to the BFTA Competition Manager as soon as possible.
11. In the event of a dispute arising from or not covered by these rules, and unable to be resolved on the day, will be referred back to the BFTA General Committee. The matter may be resolved at committee by telephone, by post, by electronic mail, face to face or in any other way by agreement of the parties concerned. The decision of the BFTA is final.
12. At the present time, a course of fire for a BFTA Grand Prix is deemed to be fifty targets in twenty five lanes of two targets in each lane. In absolutely exceptional circumstances it might be necessary to remove or withdraw targets during an actual competition.

In the event of targets needing to be withdrawn or removed from the course an absolute minimum of 90% must remain for the scores to be acceptable.

Any targets voided during the event shall be removed from all score cards whether shot at or not. If the whole course/round/competition is voided all scores on the day will be null and void. The competition/round will then need to be rearranged at a suitable date preferably at the same venue.

Reasons for withdrawal of targets could be, **but is not limited to:**

Weather: flooding of the course and/or firing line, wind causing trees with targets attached to fall over, fog obscuring targets and making shooting unsafe, rain making conditions underfoot too dangerous to access parts of the site.

Targets: incorrectly set for distance, hit zone diameter, shooting position, fixing points or supports becoming unusable.

Safety: any target that is deemed to be unsafe e.g. if a ricochet could or does cross the line of fire.

13. Whilst the BFTA endeavours to ensure that Grand Prix occur according to the schedule published on the BFTA website, in the event of a Grand Prix being cancelled, for whatever reason, the liability of the BFTA extends to a refund of entry fee only. The BFTA accepts no further responsibility and will not be liable for any consequential, indirect or direct loss or damage.
14. By entering a BFTA sanctioned Grand Prix; you accept these and any related rules that govern the BFTA Grand Prix Series. If you disagree with any of these rules, you should not enter a BFTA sanctioned Grand Prix.

Mark Bassett (Chairman) 2017