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.22LR ELR

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1. GENERAL RULES

- 1.1 This is an individual competition.
- 1.2 Medals, or any other available prizes, will be allocated to the top 3 (three) performing individuals.
- 1.3 The shooting order will be allocated in a fair and reasonable manner as prescribed by the by the match director.
- 1.4 Target locations and ranges will be provided on the day of the competition. The match director will endeavour to ensure accuracy of the provided ranges, but the final range estimation remain the responsibility of match participants.
- 1.5 The various ranges determined by the match director will be used for scoring purposes.
- 1.6 Only a person who (in terms of the South African Firearms Control Act and any other applicable legislation) is authorised to own a firearm, may bring such firearm onto a sanctioned SI-ELR competition. The match director or any member of the committee may at any time request a match participant to produce a licence for his firearm.
- 1.7 Match participants who reside outside the borders of South Africa and who wish to participate in any SI-ELR match, must ensure that they are in possession of a valid firearms licence or permit in their country of origin. In addition, the match participant must adhere to the relevant regulations as stipulated in terms of the South African Firearms Control Act and any other relevant legislation.
- 1.8 Juniors, as well as individuals who will be utilising a third party's rifle, who intend to enter a SI-ELR competition, but do not have a valid firearms license, must adhere to the rules and regulations as stipulated in terms of the South African Firearms Control Act. It is the match participant's responsibility to communicate such occurrence to the match director upon entering the competition.
- 1.9 The "Failure to do right" rule is in effect for this competition. The match director may disqualify any competitor for attempting to stretch the letter of the rules or gaming in order to gain an unfair advantage. Such practise is against the spirit of the competition.

2. SAFETY RULES

- 2.1 Safety at any SI-ELR sanctioned shooting competition is of paramount concern. The match director of any SI-ELR shooting competition, alternatively his designated range officer, has the responsibility and authority (as prescribed by this constitution) to ensure the safe conduct of the match.
- 2.2 The match director shall have the authority to disqualify any shooter for unsafe conduct or to remove any piece of equipment that has been determined to be unsafe for participation in the shooting competition.
- 2.3 The following rules in regards to the safety of any SI-ELR shooting competition apply:
 - 2.3.1 No loaded firearm may be brought onto the firing range.
 - 2.3.2 No firearm, of any nature, shall at any time, or under any circumstances be pointed at any other person on the shooting range.
 - 2.3.3 No person (match participant and non-match participant) may participate in any shooting activities, unless he has signed the attendance register and indemnity form.
 - 2.3.4 No firearm may be discharged on the shooting range unless the match director has given the order to do so.
 - 2.3.5 All firearms will be stored away in a rifle bag, must have the action open at all times, firearms can only be removed from a rifle bag at shooting points, and firearms will always be placed in such a manner that the barrel points down range.
 - 2.3.6 No live ammunition may be left in the rifle after the match participant has completed his relay.
 - 2.3.7 No tracer ammunition shall be used.
 - 2.3.8 No additional shots may be taken at any type of targets which includes rocks, gongs, trees, live animals or birds, etc.
 - 2.3.9 Junior match participants may participate in the competition if they adhere to the age requirements.
 - 2.3.10 Match Participants making use of a third party's rifle as well as Junior match participants must always be under the direct supervision (this means within arm's length) of the authorised license holder of the specific rifle when moving around on the shooting range.
 - 2.3.11 Eye and ear protection are deemed compulsory for match participants and non-match participants.

- 2.3.12 No alcoholic beverages will be consumed on the range during a SI-ELR sanctioned shooting competition. Violation of this rule by a competitor shall result in his disqualification.
- 2.3.13 Any competitor of a sanctioned SI-ELR shooting competition who is determined to be under the influence of any drug, shall be disqualified.

3. EQUIPMENT RULES

- 3.1 **Only** .22LR rifles are allowed of any configuration and weight.
- 3.2 **Only** commercially available, mass produced, ammunition will be allowed.
- 3.3 There is no prohibition on using any other shooting equipment, provided that the match participant is able to carry all equipment on his person from the starting point and in between all ranges.
- 3.4 Bench rest type front rests are not allowed.
- The bipod can only be attached to the rifle at a single point.
 - The bipod may only have two points of contact with the ground.
 - Nothing can be placed on top of the bipod or rifle to add additional weight or support. Common examples of these are sandbags and stakes.
- 3.4 The rear of the rifle may be supported by a bag or pad of any kind, a monopod or the match participant, but not an adjustable style rest that is not attached to the rifle.
- 3.5 Any rifle optics and spotting scope systems are allowed.
- 3.6 No gun will be permitted to be used by more than one match participant. **This rule will be waved till such time as match participants are adequately equipped for a .22LR ELR event format.**

4. PROCEDURAL RULES

- 4.1 *Competitors meeting:* The competitors meeting will signal the start of the shooting competition. The match director shall hold a competitors meeting prior to the start of the competition – applicable to each day of the duration of the competition. The purpose of the meeting is to ensure that competitors are aware of the day's procedures and provide updates regarding safety information.
- Attendance at the brief meeting is mandatory for all persons who are registered to shoot in the competition, unless excused by the match director. Failure to attend the meeting may result in the disqualification of the competitor by the match director.
- 4.2 *Shooting Groups:* Match participants will be allocated into one of three groups. Group A will commence shooting on range one; Group B will commence shooting on range

two and Group C will commence shooting on range three. Match participants shall be informed at the competitors meeting of their "Group" allocation. For the duration of the day the match participant will be allocated to the designated "Group" and no exchanges are allowed.

- 4.3 *Shooting Order:* The shooting order of each "Group" will be determined by the Match Director and will be communicated at the competitors meeting.
- 4.4 *Course of Fire:* Groups will engage a total number of 3 (three) targets at 3 (three) different courses. Match participants will fire no more than 15 (fifteen) shots per course for a total of forty-five (45) shots in the match.
- 4.5 *Sequence of Fire:* Targets must be engaged in sequence from closest to furthest. If match participants shoot targets out of sequence, the relevant match participant will lose the points for that target, and he can proceed to shoot the correct target again.
- 4.6 *Time at Lanes:* Match participants will be allocated 10 (ten) minutes to engage all 3 (three) targets. A total of 15 (fifteen) shots per match participant per range is allowed consisting of 5 shots on each of the three targets.

5. TARGETS AND SCORING

- 5.1 Targets will be engaged by the match participant at known distances, from 75 (seventy five) meters to 500 (five hundred) meters.
- 5.2 The range builders will endeavour to have 30 cm X 30 cm targets at each distance.
- 5.3 The range will consist of three (three) courses with 3 (three) targets each.
- 5.4 Targets will make up a course of fire.
- If the match participant hits the target with his first shot, he will receive **2.0** points multiplied by the distance of the target in meters.
 - If the match participant hits the target with his second shot, he will receive another **1.75** points multiplied by the distance of the target in meters.
 - If the match participant hits the target with his third shot, he will receive **1.5** points multiplied by the distance of the target in meters.
 - If the match participant hits the target with his fourth shot, he will receive **1.25** points multiplied by the distance of the target in meters.
 - If the match participant hits the target with his fifth shot, he will receive **1.0** point multiplied by the distance of the target in meters.

- 5.5 A target is deemed hit when it is the first thing that the bullet strikes after leaving the barrel. Frame, strap and ground strikes that may cause the target to move are considered missed. Where appropriate targets will be fitted with electronic hit indicators to confirm a hit.
- 5.6 A target will be deemed to be hit when a clear “gong” is emitted from the steel target and there is a visual indication that the gong has been hit.
- 5.7 The range officer will have the final say in adjudicating a hit or miss.
- 5.8 A hit will be marked by an “X” and a miss will be marked by an “0” on the score card.
- 5.9 Any shots taken after the command “Stop Firing” has been given, shall be scored as zero i.e. “0”.
- 5.10 Shooters must check and ensure that their score is correct, and initial next to his score for each course, before they leave the designated shooting area and proceed to the next course.
- 5.11 Not more than 3 (three) targets (i.e. 15 (fifteen shots) will be engaged from any course per match participant.
- 5.12 Courses will be clearly numbered and will be coloured for identification purposes.
- 5.13 Should there be a target failure of any kind and the target is found to be irreparable by the match director, the target in question will first be replaced with a spare target. If the spare target has already been used to replace a previous faulty target, the target in question will be pulled from the competition and all match participants will lose the score on the specific target. The competition’s total score will also be adjusted accordingly.
- 5.14 In the case of a tie at the end of the shooting competition between match participants who qualify for prizes, the winner will be determined by means of shootout at approximately 200 (two hundred) meters on a paper target. Match participants will take 1 (one) shot at their specific target and the match participants will be positioned according to the bullet hole closest to the centre of the bull. Should a match participant decline to participate in the shootout match or not have enough ammunition to compete in the shoot-out match, such match participant will automatically lose the shoot-out match.

6. Participants – competitors and match officials’ duties and responsibilities

- 6.1 Any match participant who participates in a SI-ELR sanctioned shooting competition shall be responsible to the match director, to conduct himself safely, and in accordance with SI-ELR match rules.
- 6.2 The match director shall appoint a designated range officer, consisting of one or more match participants, for each group of shooters stationed at each shooting platform.
- 6.3 The range officer shall be responsible to maintain safety standards, address safety concerns and report safety breaches to the match director.
- 6.4 The range officer shall be responsible to ensure that all rules, as contained in the latest version of SI-ELR’s constitution is adhered to by match participants and report any breaches or irregularities to the match director.
- 6.5 Any match participant who refuse to comply with the stipulated SI-ELR match rules, or the decision of the match director, after being instructed to do so, can be disqualified from the shooting competition.
- 6.6 All match participants are responsible to register and sign the indemnity form with the match director, immediately upon arrival at the shooting range to participate in an SI-ELR sanctioned shooting competition.
- 6.7 All match participants are responsible for signing a waiver of responsibility, a release of liability statement, as well as signing a statement indicating they are familiar with the rules of the competition they are participating in before the match participant will be allowed to compete in any SI-ELR sanctioned shooting competition. The waiver of responsibility, the release of liability statement form and the form acknowledging the match participant is familiar with the rules of competition, shall be provided by the match director.