

HOLTON GUN AND BOW CLUB  
WINTER PAPER EGG SHOOT RULES AND GUIDELINES

**SEASON**

The winter paper shoot season will start on the first Wednesday in December and end on the last Wednesday of March in the new year.

Shoot dates may be changed due to the timing of the Christmas /NewYear holidays. Shoots may be moved to a date earlier in the week or later in the week dependent on the date of the holiday.

The match director has the authority to cancel a shoot. Cancellation notices will be sent out in group texts.

**FORMAT**

The cost of the shoot will be \$10.00. Payout amounts will be based on the number of participants. Prize money will be paid for the winners of rounds one through three, second overall aggregate score (\$10), first overall aggregate and the overall aggregate score for the "X" count (\$1.00 for each participant). If the "X" count is tied at the end of the shoot the prize money will be carried forward to the following week's shoot. **Should the "X" count be tied at the completion of the final shoot of the year there will be a shoot-off for the prize money. Shoot-off format will be determined by the match director.**

All shoots will be timed. Shooters will have a maximum of seven minutes to complete their target. Timers will be assigned for each relay, with periodic updates on the remaining time in the relay.

The shoot will consist of three separate rounds with each shooter shooting once in each round. Each round will be made up of relays containing 1-5 individuals. Relays will be determined by the number of shooters in attendance and the bench and relay they choose when signing up. Sign-ups are on a first come first serve basis however, anyone working the shoot may have priority selection.

**EQUIPMENT**

Firearms must be rimfire in caliber 22LR. Air rifles may also be used, not to exceed 22 caliber. There will be no restrictions on the firearm in regard to customizations.

The front of the rifle may be supported using sand bags, bi-pods, or front rests having three legs. One piece rests or, rests with four legs will not be allowed. Front rest bipods or tripods with a gimbal or like device are not allowed. Allowable front rests must be a stationary platform.

The rear of the firearm is to be supported by the shooter's hand. Shooters may wear an unaltered glove and if necessary use a spacer underneath their hand to assist in achieving necessary elevation in relationship to the target. **The rear of the rifle may not be in contact with any such spacer or the bench when being fired.**

In some instances a shooter may be allowed to use a rear bag to support the rear of the firearm if there are physical constraints which restrict a shooter's ability and performance. **Age will not be a determining factor.**

Rear bag usage must be requested in writing and presented to any one of the five Rules Committee members. The committee will then vote as to allow or not allow that individual to use a rear bag.

Wind flags and other wind devices may be used. There is no limit on the number of flags and devices. Any flags on the range when the shoot starts cannot be removed until the shoot is over.

### EQUIPMENT FAILURES

Should there be an equipment failure or malfunction during a shooter's scheduled relay it will be considered a completed relay if any shots were fired at the target prior to the failure or malfunction.

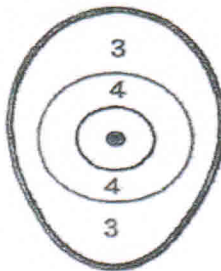
Should there be an equipment failure or malfunction prior to firing any shots down range, and the failure cannot be rectified before the seven minute time limit expires the shooter will be allowed to shoot on a later relay during that round if there is an open bench provided the malfunction has been corrected. If there are no open benches, the shooter loses their turn and a zero score for that round will be recorded. **There will be no additional rounds added to the shoot.**

### SCORING

Shooters will be allowed five "sighter" shots and five "scoring" shots for each target. Sighter shots must be fired at the two bottom egg targets, there is a line on each target sheet separating the two sighter targets from the five scoring targets.

Shooters do not have to use their sighter shots however, sighter shots cannot exceed five. Once a shot is fired at a scoring egg target the shooter cannot drop below the line and shoot additional sighters regardless of how many sighters were taken prior to shooting at a scoring egg target.

The scoring egg target consists of three rings each with a point value. The outer ring is worth three points, the middle ring is worth four points, and the center ring is worth 5 points. Within the center of the "five" ring is a black dot which is the "X" ring.



There is a possible total of 25 points per target with five points possible for each scoring shot. Shots within a ring will be awarded that point value, any shots touching a ring line will be awarded the point value of that ring. **Example: A shot is primarily within the "three" ring but is touching the line of the "four" ring the shooter will be awarded four points.**

Ties will be resolved first by using the "X" ring totals for the targets involved. If a winner cannot be determined using "X's" the Creedmoor Scoring Method will be used. Starting with the upper left scoring "egg" target the scores will be compared until a winner can be determined.

**Note: the Creedmoor sequence is upper left, upper right, center, lower left, lower right.**

## ADJUSTMENTS TO SCORE

Any additional holes in a target will result in a reduction to that target's score. Extra shots can be an extra sighter shot, extra scoring shot (any shots above the line) or, two shots within the same egg target.

There are only two possible exceptions to this rule:

***If a scoring deduction is to be avoided the above instances must be identified and resolved at the firing line. If a target is given to the scoring table with extra shots above or below the line and there is no explanation or acknowledgement of where the additional shots came from it will result in a automatic deduction.***

Deductions to scores will be determined using the Creedmoor Scoring Method. The first egg target with a score will not be counted toward the total score.

## SAFETY RULES AND GUIDELINES

The area between the gun racks and the shooting benches is to be kept clear. Any stools not in use should be stored against the wall by the shooting benches.

Persons observing the shooters cannot be in the area between the gun racks and the shooting benches. A time keeper may however be seated in this area.

Doors to the shooting house should be kept closed as much as possible while the firing line is "hot".

When in use during cold weather the furnace in the shooting area will be turned on. The furnace is to stay on until the end of the shoot.

The range cannot be declared "hot" and guns placed on the benches until a member of the target crew confirms the range is hot.

All firearms must be in the gun racks with the bolts opened when not in use.