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MISSION STATEMENT

The WRABF and the ERABSF are to assist in the development of competitive Rimfire and AirRifle Benchrest Shooting internationally and to aid all member countries. The federation facilitate the conduct of World Championships, World Cup and European Championships.

The purpose of this Manual:

This manual serves as a guide to safeguard the standards befitting the WRABF World Championships, WRABF World Cup and ERABSF European Championships.

To assist in the preparation and conduct of such

This serves to outline the tasks and activities that need to be performed by the Host Country and participants

The WRABF and the ERABSF Rulebook and Constitution is part of the WRABF & ERABSF Championship Manual.

Section 1: Application to Host Championship

- **Eligibility to Apply.**
Any member country in good standing and are able to conform to the regulations and standards set forth in this manual is eligible to apply
- **Notification of Application.**
Countries are to submit their bid to the WRABF / ERABSF committees before the General Assembly four years prior to the competition.
- **Bidding Information.**
Countries bidding for a WRABF World Championship / WRABF World Cup / ERABSF European Championships must submit their written bid to the Secretary's of the WRABF / ERABSF two months before the General Assembly. Each Bid must contain information regarding range size, number & quality of benches(minimum 40), relay arrangements, support staff infrastructure, security infrastructure, storage of firearms, team facilities (where available), hotel information, conference facilities, presentation facilities, preliminary airport and travel details, persons responsible, relevant information about the geographical area, support measures for competitors. This list is not exhaustive and both federations reserve the right to ask for clarification and more information. All bids will be circulated to all Country Delegates for consideration.
- **Allocation of Championships**
At the General Assembly, the country which will be chosen through balloting by the Assembly to conduct the WRABF World Championship, WRABF World Cup and ERABSF European Championships will be announced. The WRABF & ERABF reserve the right to change or to cancel any championship if the standard or behaviour of the organising committee is not to the satisfaction of the executive committee.

Rule A.9

A World Rimfire Championship shall be conducted every four years. A World Cup will also be held every four years (at the same time and venue as the European Championship), (two years after and two years before) each World Championship. All events at such Championships will be conducted in accordance with these Rules.

SECTION 2: Organising Committee/Personnel

It is the responsibility of a host association to form an Organising Committee that has the capability, desire and knowledge to meet the objectives that meets the expectations of this manual. The appointment of a Chairperson and Management Team requires careful consideration.

The country that will host the championships must appoint an organising committee. The persons must be competent to honour all tasks.

From the rulebook

Eligibility of Venue:

The shooting venue where the championship is to be held must be approved and insured hold a current licence for the use of the firearms being used and abide by the Firearms Licensing Regulations of the country. It will be the responsibility of the host association / organisers to ensure that the range and facilities are of a high standard suitable for the conduct of the Championship. The Host will also need to organise volunteers to assist in running the event.

WRABF & ERABSF President / Secretary

New Records - Disabled Competitors special needs – Approval of targets (note the targets must be of the same standard as the targets used in Aus 2015) – Electronic scoring check for borderline errors - Opening ceremony – Medal ceremony – Approve extra or spare places allocation

Championship Organiser

The Championship Organiser is responsible for the co-ordination and management of all activities required to run the championship other than the "on range" activities. These responsibilities include:

Communications – Website – Preliminary Invites 5 per country plus 1 junior – Invite WRABF & ERABSF committee and ex committee members as individual entries - Disabled Competitors – Accommodation – Transportation – Medals and Trophies – Competitor Pins / participating certificates – Import / Export of firearms - Communications – Opening / Closing Ceremonies and other official meetings – Venue for AGM - Award Ceremonies – Coordination and arrangements for media and publicity - Set up of administrative facilities – Reception – Set up of results service – Coordination of all official guests and Sponsors – accommodation – Police / security liaising - Shooting Range assurance – Catering – Squadding and bench rotation – Targets and target preparation – WRABF / ERAFSF must approve targets – Arrange shooting range insurance

Rule A.14 Minimum Number of Individual Competitors:

For a world/European RimFire and air rifle championship to be conducted there must be thirty competitors representing a minimum of five countries. (Levels of junior representing will be set by the WRABF/ERABSF executive committees with the expectation that minimum of one place will be allocated to each country for a junior representative). The minimum number of competitors from each country shall be one competitor.

Rule A.15 Maximum Number of Individual Competitors:

Each participating country may enter an open amount of competitors in each event of the championship - depending on how many places their country has been allocated by the Match Director/Organising Committee. This is dependant of the number of countries attending the championship. This can include juniors (who must be up to 8 years of age in the current year) who will be allocated places by the Executive Committee working with the Match Director/Organising Committee. Juniors will take part in the main championship.

Match Director (could be the Championship Organiser)

He / she must be available two days before the official day of practice

Oversee:

Range Officers, Security Officer, Official Scorer, Protest committee, Target crew and Technical committee.

Arrange:

Clothing and equipment for Range officers, Security Officer and Safe locking facilities of rifles, Target marking facilities, Adequate notice boards and the wailing wall, Technical equipment and inspection area, Awards Ceremonies after each match, protest committee meetings – Safety flags – Match Director cannot be a competitor - Arrange venues for all meetings – Safety meeting – Technical meeting – AGM

Range Officers

Must be available two days before the official day of practice, must be trained, tested on WRABF / ERABSF rules – apply the rules – enforce good time keeping - DQ unsafe conduct – note possible violations of the rules – Report alleged violations to the Match Director – timer – additional breach flags

Range officers and assistant range officer's main duty is safety and timorously running of relays. They must check that all rifles do have the correct accreditation (sticker). Any competitor may dispute the legality of any rifles or equipment by completing a dispute form with name of witness and evidence like photos and videos. They must not harass the range officer and crew.

Firearm & Equipment Check Officers

Must be available two days before the official day of practice,

Must have:

Approved sticker – rule / tape measure / rifle size template/ gauge – Calibrated weighing scales – Chronograph – test pellets – Inspection form – rule book

Equipment must be available at least two days prior to competition, to ensure competitors have an opportunity to test their equipment.

Scorers

Target marking facility – storage of targets – scoring plugs – Eagle eye system – Electronic scoring equipment – Scorer cannot be a competitor

SECTION 3: Planning.

The following time line has been established to enable the Delegates Committee to monitor that preparations for the championship are on schedule. Applicants are required to conform to this schedule – Submit regular reports to WRABF and ERABSF secretaries

Four Years before – Competition

Allocation of country and venue

Two years before – Competition (1st August)

Submit to the Delegates Committee preceding the Championships - A presentation – detail of venue – transport – accommodation - Other information of interest

Twenty Months before – Competition (1st January)

Draft programme and dates of competition - Estimated entry fees - Accommodation arrangements - Final detail of competition technical information - other information of interest –

Twelve Months before – Competition (1st August)

Send invitation to member countries for preliminary entries – Final information should be provided to participant countries when preliminary entries are sought twelve months pre-competition, together with details of when and to whom payment is required and the methods of payment that is acceptable.

Eight Months before – Competition (1st January)

Member countries to advise preliminary entries by numbers including additional Team or Individual entry if required – Member countries to advise preliminary accommodation and transport requirements –

Host association to confirm acceptance of entry submitted by participating countries –

Allocations of places by the Executive Committee working with the Match Director / Organising Committee – Allocate extra or spare places – Extra or spare places that cannot be shared equally will be allocated to countries based on an average score selection system to ensure the best shooters attend the championship – Host country must announce the preferred accommodation, preferably where all countries can stay together – A medium priced Hotel/Motel type accommodation of a reasonable standard is required for most competitors and officials – It facilitates the ease of meetings / transport options – sent binding forms –

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to ensure the best shooters attend the championship*

Six Months before – Competition (1st March)

Closing date for preliminary entries by number of competitors and teams by member countries together with payment of full entry fees which are not refundable - Countries to confirm accommodation / transport requirements – sent invite for visa etc – prepare targets – issue of pin numbers (We can call on all country to submit to us their entire membership to generate a world database that will simplify the electronic scoring database)

Seven Days before – Competition

Safe locking facilities of rifles must be available for early arrivals

Two Days before – Competition

Practise Day – Technical/Safety Meeting – Safety rules – Rifle checking – Air rifle refilling station must be ready with sufficient compressed air cylinders and / or compressor up to 300 BAR

One Day Prior

Official Practice Day – Safety briefing – Rifle checking – Official Opening –

The Competition

Daily starting at 9h00 local time

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|--------------|--|
| Day 1 | 25m - LV Air Rifle Championship - Target No1 and 2 |
| Day 2 | 25m - LV Air Rifle Championship - Target 3 & setting and testing for HV Air Rifle & Target 1 of HV |
| Day 3 | 25m - HV Air Rifle Championship - Target No2 & 3 |
| Day 4 | Practice day and AGM |
| Day 5 | 50m - Int. Sporter Rimfire Championship - Target No1 & 2 |
| Day 6 | 50m - Int. Sporter Rimfire Championship - Target 3 & LV Rimfire Championship Target 1 |
| Day 7 | 50m - LV 2 & 3 & HV Rimfire Championship Target 1 |
| Day 8 | 50m - HV 2 & 3 and Function |

Week Post – Competition

Safe locking facilities of rifles must be available for tourist

SECTION 4: Administration

The host country must establish an internet/FaceBook/email help desk. Where the teams can register online, receive information – Contact person and phone number must be made available so competitors may store their rifles pre and post the competition – At the venue there must be a help desk where competitors and teams captains can get assistance – A media center must be established to send out or post information and scores – Sqadding list – via internet/FaceBook/email/notice board – Posted on notice boards – A sqadding list of all events to displayed on a notice board.

Notice Boards

Enough notice boards must be in place where all relevant information is published.

Wailing Wall

It is preferred that the Wailing Wall is designed that targets can be displayed in the same sequence as the competitor's sqadding i.e. numbered boards from 1 to 40 or to the maximum number of shooting benches, and posted in relay numbers.

Protest Committee:

The names of the protest committee for each day will be posted on all notes board. The Championship Director will appoint 3 experienced competitors (not from the host country)

Rest Area Cover

Cover areas for rest during wait times for competition with enough seating must be available.

Range Parking Area

The parking lot has to be demarcated and located at an area that is not near the shooting activities – Competitors / visitors want to leave so that they do not disturb the participants – Must be disable friendly

Range Emergency Access

There must be access for emergency purposes.

First aid Station

First aid Station must be available at the range where participants and all other people can be assisted.

Range Directions

There must be roadside signage to direct all interested parties to the championship

Communications

Telephone service must be available plus free Wi-Fi

Flags and Flag Poles

Each country must bring a flag and an mp3 copy of their national anthem (could email it)

Gunsmith

A gunsmith or gunsmith services should be available – Workshop for competitors to adjust their air rifles and RimFire rifles

Goodies bag

Each competitor must get a Goodies bag which must include his/her competitor number tag, the participation pin plus other info/products etc. - Information on currency exchange arrangements including local and convenient locations to undertake such transactions – Cell phone service providers info

Catering during Championship

Water, Drinks and Food must be available for competitors – Catering has to be at a reasonable expense and in keeping with what may be purchased locally.

SECTION 5: Ceremonies and Functions

Opening Ceremony

The opening ceremony shall take place before the start of the championship. The style and content of the ceremony is at the discretion of the host association. Competitor pin will be given out to each participant at the end of the opening ceremony.

Closing Ceremony

At the last day of the championship a function must be arranged in the form of a sit down dinner. It is generally recognised that a semi-formal function should be arranged. It is recommended that during this function, the teams from each country should be presented to the function as an acknowledgment of their participation

Medal Ceremonies

It is for the organising committee to arrange the style and venue for medal ceremonies to suit their own facilities – Olympic type of podium – WRABF / ERABSF President / Secretary – These will be held at the end of each day for the specific class contended on that day

Other functions

Social function with a free BBQ's on the first night of Air Rifle practice – and first night of RimFire practice – any other function that the host association what to arrange.

SECTION 6: TARGETS

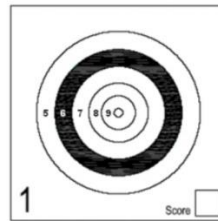
An early assessment and ordering of approved targets should be undertaken – Targets must be calibrated and tested to sizes as per the rules – Each ring of each diagram to be tested for the ring sizes and shapes – Equally they must be calibrated to the electronic scoring with specific paper and cmyk colours – This has to be done digitally on a vector based program –The paper standard must be tested for hole punching – Report and submit targets calibration to WRABF executive committee for approval – The target marking standard must ensure that an absolute minimum of challenges to the score posted –

Rule C.1 Targets:

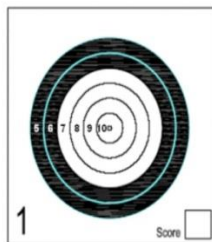
Targets to be used in the Championship, shall be the Official World Rimfire and Air Rifle Benchrest Federation Targets for Score. Should a local print be used, this will require prior approval from the Officials of the Federation.

The 25 metre target diagram specifications are noted below, with 25 fitted onto A3 paper.
 On 25 metre targets the six ring is black to aid sighting, all other rings are white with black-line borders. The central 10 ring is 2 mm in diameter; this is to be obliterated to score a 10X.

| Dia. | MM | In |
|---------|--------|---------|
| 10 Ring | 2.000 | 0.07874 |
| 9 Ring | 8.000 | 0.31495 |
| 8 Ring | 14.000 | 0.55118 |
| 7 Ring | 22.000 | 0.86614 |
| 6 Ring | 30.000 | 1.18110 |
| 5 Ring | 39.000 | 1.53542 |

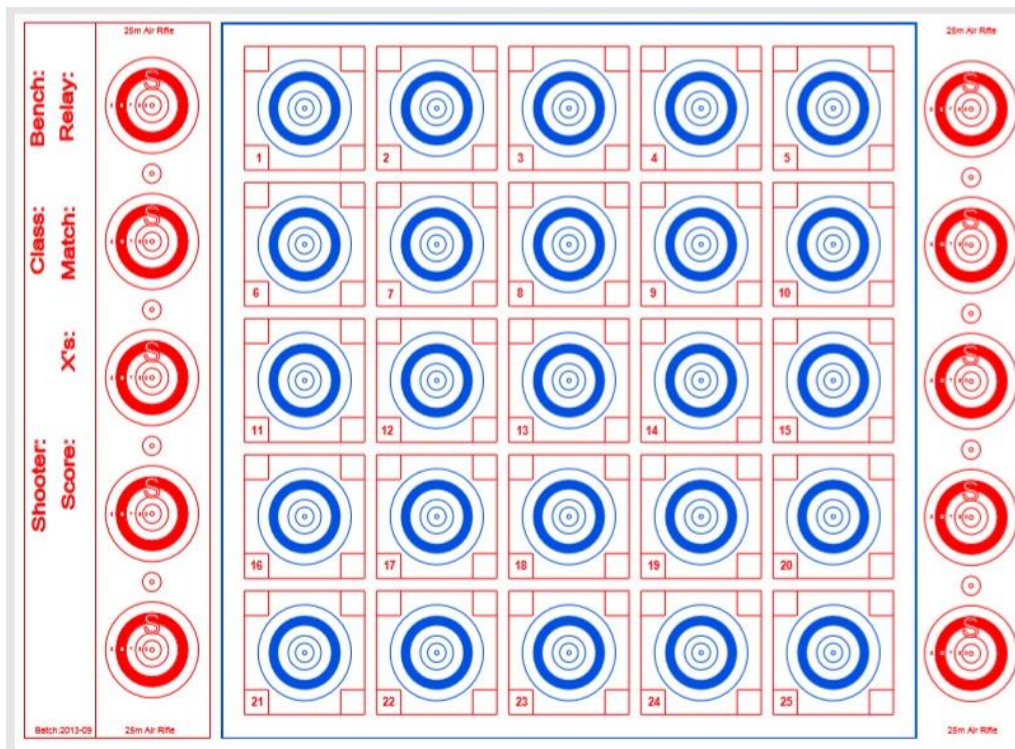


The 50 metre target diagram specifications are noted below, with 25 fitted onto A3 paper.
 On 50 metre targets the 6 and 5 ring are black to aid in sighting, all other rings are white with black line borders. The central X ring is 0.792 mm in diameter; this is to be touched to score a 10X.

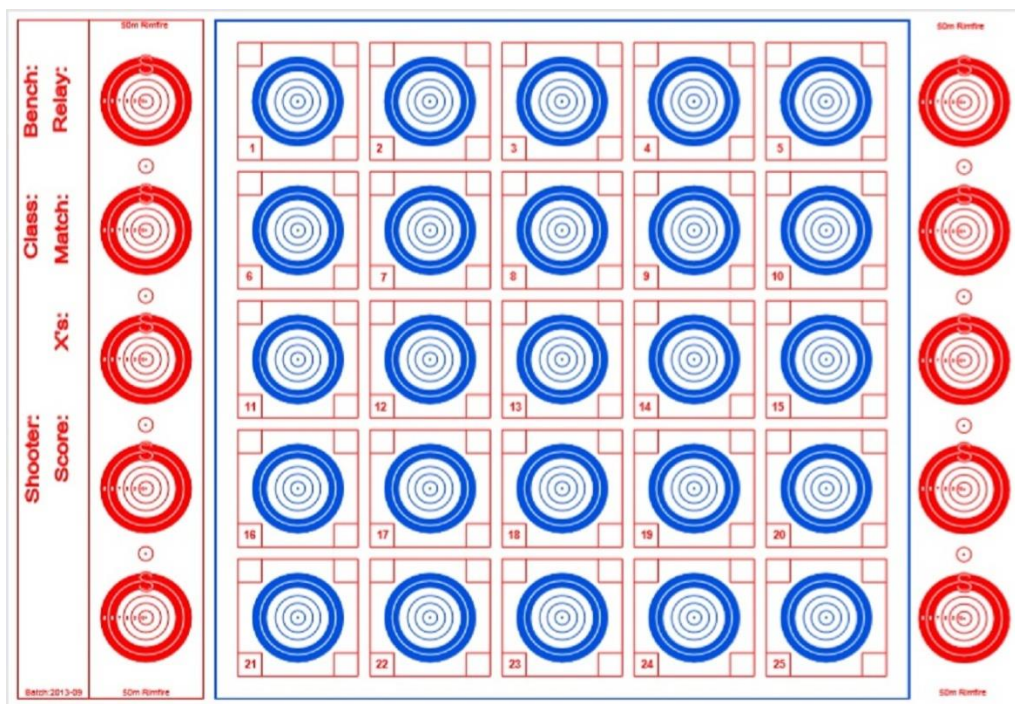


| Dia. | MM | In |
|--------|--------|--------|
| 10 X | 0.792 | 0.0312 |
| 10Ring | 6.350 | 0.2500 |
| 9 Ring | 12.700 | 0.5000 |
| 8 Ring | 19.050 | 0.7500 |
| 7 Ring | 25.400 | 1.0000 |
| 6 Ring | 31.750 | 1.2500 |
| 5 Ring | 38.100 | 1.5000 |

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