



WCTSA County Competition Rules

Objectives of County Competition

- To encourage the 'Grass Roots' shooters to participate at competition level.
- To provide competition at a pre-determined cost and reasonable price.
- To encourage smaller clubs / shooting grounds to organise events to a competition level.
- To develop a broader base of shooting facilities throughout Wales.

General County Rules (Updated January 2019).

The following rules apply to ALL County Teams and for All Country Disciplines.

1. County Team Selection Procedure.

- a. Each county will stage three selection shoots, except for All Round which will be a single selection shoot.
- b. County team selection shoots should be held in the relevant county if possible. In exceptional circumstances (e.g. ground not available for a specific discipline), a shooting ground in another county may be used, ONLY after agreement with the National County Coordinator).
- c. County selection shoots are to be shot over 50 targets for all disciplines except All Round which will be over 100 targets comprising, Sporting, Skeet, ABT and DTL (Single Barrel).
- d. County team member selection must be from the best two scores to count out of the possible three, again with the exception of All Round which will be a single score.
- e. Each individual county selection shoot must be held over single day.
- f. Any County using a ground to hold 2 qualifiers on the same day (e.g. Skeet and Sporting), will be required to complete a separate score sheet for each discipline, and pay the correct levies for each discipline.

- 2. County Coordinators and their duties** - *Each county is to appoint a County Coordinator for each discipline, with the appointment to be approved by the National County Coordinator. Counties can have the same Coordinator for multiple disciplines.*
- a. To arrange County selection shoots.
 - b. To inform members of the venue, dates and entry times of County selection shoots, with a minimum of 14 days', notice preferably more where possible.
 - c. To inform the WCTSA secretary and the National County Coordinator of the dates and venues of selection shoots, so they can be added to the County section of the WCTSA website.
 - d. To check with the National County Coordinator that grounds chosen are currently affiliated with the association.
 - e. To collate the scores of shooters and calculate the best scores for County team selection and to select their County Team captain.
 - f. To contact the National County Coordinator on any matters concerning these rules for clarification and support.
 - g. To give details to the National County Coordinator of County Teams chosen for each final, a minimum of 10 days prior to the date of the final. Details for each shooter should include
 - i. Shooter name
 - ii. WCTSA membership number.
 - iii. Contact number.
 - h. Has sole responsibility, (not the ground), for completing and returning the correct forms, (available from the WCTSA website to download).
 - i. To ensure that all designated forms are correctly filled in and returned within 10 days of the county shoot, to the National County Coordinator. Failure to do so will result in those teams not being eligible to shoot in County Finals.
 - j. Any County Coordinator found to be submitting fictitious shooter scores, or to have selected ineligible team members will be subject to WCTSA disciplinary procedures, which may lead to suspension of their membership.
 - k. To collect all levies and send them to the National County Coordinator.
 - l. To inform the National County Coordinator of all new caps and discipline badges required.
 - m. To record and track all trophies presented and ensure all are returned before, or at the latest on, the day of the county final.
 - n. To be present on the day of the discipline final to present their county trophies and badges etc.

3. National County Co-ordinator Duties.

- a. To act as overall coordinator for all Welsh county shooting.
- b. To advise and support County Coordinators in all aspects of county shooting.
- c. To arrange the venue and dates of County Final shoots for all disciplines, and submit to the WCTSA board for approval.
- d. To inform the WCTSA secretary of all confirmed County Selection Shoots and Finals to allow them to be added to the WCTSA website.
- e. To confirm the eligibility of all shooter names supplied by the county co-ordinators i.e. have fulfilled the selection criteria, were members of the

WCTSA when the qualifiers were shot, and will still be when the finals are to be shot.

- f. To attend and help run all County Finals to include arranging the presentations.
- g. To provide a summary report of each disciplines County Final for uploading to the WCTSA website.

4. Shooter Age limits

- a. Colt Members – Must be under 16 on 1st January in the year of the final.
- b. Junior Members - Must be under 21 on 1st January in the year of the final.
- c. Veteran Members - Must be 55 or over on 1st January in the year of the final.
- d. Super Veterans - Must be 65 or over on 1st January in the year of the final.

5. Number of Targets to be Shot

- a. County Qualifiers
 - i. 50 Targets for all disciplines except All Round which will be shot over 100 targets (see section 1c).
 - ii. 50 sporting targets to be shot over 3 stands, comprising Stand 1 - 4 pairs, Stand 2 – 4 pairs, Stand 3 – 4 pairs plus a single target with full use of the gun.
- b. County Finals
 - i. All County Finals to be shot over 100 targets.
 - ii. County Sporting Finals to be shot over a minimum of 10 stands.

6. Registration of Scores

- a. Neither qualifiers nor county final scores will be registered with the CPSA.

7. Levies

- a. Levies to be collected at County Selection Shoots
 - i. All disciplines - expect all round
 - 1. £1 per shooter for Seniors, Ladies, Veterans and Super Veterans.
 - 2. 50p per Junior or Colt.
 - ii. All Round
 - 1. £2 per shooter for Seniors, Ladies, Veterans and Super Veterans.
 - 2. £1 per Junior or Colt.
- b. Levies to be collected at County Final shoots
 - i. £2 per shooter for Seniors, Ladies, Veterans and Super Veterans.
 - ii. £1 per Junior or Colt.

8. Team Composition

- a. Senior Team – 12 Shooters
- b. Ladies Team – 2 Shooters
- c. Junior Team – 2 Shooters
- d. Colt Team – 2 Shooters
- e. Veteran Team – 2 Shooters
- f. Super Veteran Team – 2 Shooters

Please note only one Senior Team per discipline can be submitted. Multiple Teams may be submitted for all other categories.

9. Number of Internationals per Team.

- a. A Senior Team may include 4 current internationals but the two lowest senior international scores must be discarded from the Senior Team final score. (If three international senior shooters are included then the lowest international score will be discarded).
- b. Senior ABT teams may field 4 current International Senior Shooters with all 4 scores to count.
- c. There is no limit to the number of international shooters included in a team for all other age categories apart from Seniors.
- d. A shooter loses international status after two years of not shooting as an international in that discipline.
- e. International status only applies to a particular discipline, e.g. Sporting Internationals are not Classified as Skeet International and vice versa.

10. Scores to Count at County Team Finals.

- a. Senior Team - 8 scores from the 12
- b. All other categories - both scores to count.

11. Eligibility

- a. Shooters must be fully paid up members of the WCTSA.
- b. Membership must be paid BEFORE a selection shoot starts, any member who has not renewed their membership will NOT have their scores recorded.
- c. A member is eligible to represent their county of residence. WCTSA members residing outside of Wales are eligible to shoot, providing they nominate which County they wish to shoot for BEFORE the start the selection process.
- d. Any County unable to field a full team of Seniors, Ladies, juniors, Colts, Veterans or Super Veterans, could select a shooter who has only completed 1 selection shoot, with that shooter paying an extra £2 levy. This selection criteria is only to be used as a last resort and has to be agreed with the National County Coordinator IN ADVANCE of the final team being submitted.
- e. Counties may invite a shooter from another county to shoot for them if they cannot field a full team, only with the express permission of the shooters County Co-ordinator, and, as long as that shooter has fulfilled the selection criteria for their county. A shooter shooting for another county will NOT be eligible for winning the high gum of their own county, nor the county to which they have been substituted, although their score will count to the team score.

12. County Trophies

- a. Each county is responsible for providing its own county trophies and for keeping the record of to whom they have been presented.
- b. Ladies, Juniors, Colts, Veterans and Super Veterans shooting for the senior team, will not be eligible to win High Gun in their respective age category.

13. Jury

- a. At all County Team Finals a Jury is to be selected in accordance with WCTSA rules.

14. County Final Referees

- a. Suitable referees must be provided by the ground or club for ALL County Finals.