## National Target Shotgun Association Approved Courses of Fire.



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#### Introduction to the NTSA Approved Courses of Fire.

Welcome to the NTSA booklet outlining approved Courses of Fire, featuring many different types of competitions.

The NTSA is one of four organisations recognised by the Home Office to approve courses of fire using Section 1 Shotguns. <sup>1</sup>

The various practices within Target Shotgun use a fixed number of rounds and fixed times. This is how it differs from other disciplines using shotguns. More recently Comstock, Time Plus and Virginia count have been added to some courses of fire. The courses of fire included here have been tried and tested by the NTSA before approval has been granted. This ensures the integrity and safe operation of the various competitions. However, shooters should ensure that the range is suitable for the ammunition type and competition being shot.

This booklet is divided into various sections, covering the different ammunition types of slug, buckshot and birdshot. Also listed are competitions using a combination of different types of ammunition.

The NTSA welcomes suggestions for changes or additional courses of fire. Contact competitions@ntsa.co.uk with details.

Also included are suitable scoresheets for the various competitions.

The NTSA recommends the use of Practiscore for the scoring of Target Shotgun matches, many matches can be customised to allow scoring to take place. The NTSA can provide scoring programmes that you can load into Practiscore. Again contact competitions@ntsa.co.uk

Many of the 'Standard' courses of fire contained in this booklet lend themselves as practice for the discipline of Practical Shotgun. Where these practices are being used for this purpose the NTSA approve the use of Comstock scoring.

#### 1 Home Office – Guide on Firearms Licensing Law 2016

Appendix 3: Conditions for Firearms Certificates.

- 11. Target Shooting Shotguns The SMOOTH-BORE GUN/SOLID SLUG shall be used for practical target shooting: (a) The smoothbore gun(s) to which this certificate relates shall be used for target shooting on land or ranges where the holder has lawful authority to shoot (provided that adequate financial arrangements are in place to meet any injury or damage claim), for disciplines and courses of fire approved by the BWSS or NRA or NTSA or UKPSA.
- (b) The solid slug ammunition to which this certificate relates shall be used for target shooting on ranges where the holder has lawful authority to shoot provided that adequate financial arrangements are in place to meet any injury or damage claim.

#### **NTSA Approved Targets**

The following targets are used in NTSA Courses of fire.

DP1

DP2

**IPSC Target** 

**IPSC Mini Target** 

**IPSC A4 Target** 

**IPSC Metal Plate Target** 

**IPSC Popper/ Mini Popper** 

**Bianchi Full Target** 

**Bianchi A4 Target** 

MR-65 "Target, Rifle, Competition Mid-Range" (for Long Range slug shot at 100 – 200yrds)

#### **Range Commands & Start Conditions**

#### Start Position.

Standing up right, facing forward with feet parallel. Gun held in two hands at hip level. Loading port pointing downwards.

Other start positions are permitted and are included in the written course of fire.

#### **Start Condition**

**Option 1.** Gun Loaded (usually with 6 rounds). Chamber closed with safety applied. Some of the courses of fire permit the safety to not be applied. See match details.

**Option 2.** Gun Loaded with an empty Chamber. Chamber closed. Safety may be applied.

**Option 3.** Gun unloaded. Chamber may be open or closed. Safety may be applied.

#### **Loading Commands**

With # rounds load and make ready. (Or make ready for an unloaded start)

Are you ready?

Start signal is the turning of the targets or the beep from a shot timer.

#### **Unloading Commands**

If you have finished unload and show clear.

If clear, hammer down and open action.

Range clear.

**TIMINGS.** Where NTSA courses of fire have a fixed time for each practice and turning targets are not available for slug and buckshot matches a shot timer on par time can be substituted. In this case you are permitted to add .3 second to the timings to compensate for the lack of the visual trigger from the targets turning.

### National Target Shotgun Association Timed & Precision

#### 25/30 Meter Course of Fire

1 DP2 target requiring 30 rounds of slug, shot at 25/30m, 20m & 15 m.

Target scored after each practice.

Maximum score = 300 points Range

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with 6 rounds only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### Practice 1 25/30M

12 Shots to be fired in two minutes to include reload.

#### Practice 2 20m

Targets will make 6 appearances of 2 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

One shot to be fired on each appearance.

Gun must return to start position after each appearance. Repeated.

#### Practice 3 15m

Targets will make 3 appearances of 3 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

Two shots to be fired on each appearance.

Gun must return to start position after each appearance.

### National Target Shotgun Association Timed & Precision Lite

#### 15 Meter Course of Fire

3 DP2 targets requiring 18 rounds of slug, shot at 15 m.

Targets scored at the conclusion of all three practices.

**Maximum score = 180 points Range Commands.** 

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with 6 rounds only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### **Practice 1 Left Hand Target** 6

shots to be fired in 30 seconds

#### **Practice 2 Middle Target**

Targets will make 6 appearances of 2 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

One shot to be fired on each appearance.

Gun must return to start position after each appearance.

#### **Practice 3 Right Hand Target**

Targets will make 3 appearances of 3 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

Two shots to be fired on each appearance.

Gun must return to start position after each appearance.

#### National Target Shotgun Association Multi Target

#### 25/30 Meter Course of Fire

2 DP1 targets requiring 24 rounds of slug, shot at 25/30m, 25m, 20m & 15m.

Targets scored at the conclusion of all four practices.

Maximum score = 120 points.

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with 6 rounds only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### Practice 1 - 30/25 Meters

6 Shots in 15 seconds on your left hand target.

#### **Practice 2 - 25 Meters**

3 Shots on each target in 10 Seconds

#### Practice 3 - 20 Meters

Targets will make 3 appearances of 3 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

Two shots to be fired on your right hand target on each appearance.

Gun must return to start position after each appearance of the targets.

#### **Practice 4 - 15 Meters**

3 Shots on each target in 8 seconds.

#### National Target Shotgun Association Slug Standards

#### Course of Fire.

3 IPSC Mini Targets. 24 rounds of slug, shot at, 30m, 20m & 10 m.

Targets scored at the conclusion of all three practices.

Maximum score = 120 points.

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with a maximum of 8 rounds only. Safety <u>must</u> be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

**Reload** - At least one round will be loaded into the gun.

#### Practice 1 – 30 Metres

2 shots on each target. Freestyle in 15 Seconds.

#### Practice 2 - 20 Meters

2 Shots on each target. Carry out compulsory reload and again shoot the targets with one Shot on each. Freestyle in a time of 15 seconds.

#### Practice 3 - 10 Meters

2 Shots on each target, freestyle. Carry out compulsory reload and again shoot the targets with one shot on each, from your weak shoulder in a time of 15 seconds.

### National Target Shotgun Association NTSA Embassy Cup

Course of Fire.

2 IPSC Mini Targets 24 rounds of slug, shot at 25m, 20m & 15 m.

Targets scored at the conclusion of each practice.

Maximum score = 120 points.

Range Commands.

Start Condition – Option 1, Loaded with a minimum of 4 rounds only. Safety <u>must</u> be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

Reload - At least four rounds will be loaded into the gun.

Practice 1 - 25 Meters

2 shots on each target, freestyle. Carry out compulsory reload and again shoot the targets with two shots on each. From a prone position. In a fixed time of 20 seconds.

Practice 2 - 20 Meters

2 shots on each target, freestyle. Carry out compulsory reload and again shoot the targets with two shots on each. From a kneeling position. In a fixed time of 20 seconds.

Practice 3 - 15 Meters

2 shots on each target, freestyle. Carry out compulsory reload and again shoot the targets with two shots on each. From a seated position. In a fixed time of 20 seconds.

### National Target Shotgun Association Historic Timed & Precision – Double Barrel

#### 25/30 Meter Course of Fire

1 DP2 target requiring 30 rounds of slug, shot at 25/30m, 20m & 15 m.

Target scored after each practice. Maximum score = 300 points.

Start Condition – Option 1, Loaded with 2 rounds only. Safety may be applied. Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### Practice 1 25/30M

12 shots in two minutes to include reloads.

#### Practice 2 20m

Targets will make 2 appearances of 2 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

One shot to be fired on each appearance.

Gun must return to start position after each appearance. Repeated 6 times.

#### Practice 3 15m

Targets will make 3 appearances of 3 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

Two shots to be fired on each appearance.

Gun will be reloaded before each appearance.

### National Target Shotgun Association Historic Timed & Precision – Single Barrelled Single shot

#### 25/30 Meter Course of Fire

1 DP2 target requiring 30 rounds of slug, shot at 25/30m, 20m & 15 m.

Target scored after each practice. Maximum score = 300 points.

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with 1 round only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### Practice 1 25/30M

12 rounds in two minutes to include reloads.

#### Practice 2 20m

Targets will make 12 appearances of 2 seconds.

One shot to be fired on each appearance.

Gun will be reloaded before each appearance, command to reload will be given.

#### Practice 3 15m

Targets will make 3 appearances of 5 seconds.

Two shots to be fired on each appearance.

Gun will be reloaded before each appearance, command to reload will be given.

#### National Target Shotgun Association Historic Multi Target – Double Barrelled

25/30 Meter Course of Fire

2 DP1 targets requiring 24 rounds of slug, shot at 25/30m, 25m, 20m & 15 m.

Targets scored at the conclusion of all four practices.

Maximum Score = 120 points.

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with a 2 rounds only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### Practice 1 25/30 Meters

6 rounds in 30 seconds on your left hand target.

#### Practice 2 25 Meters

3 Rounds on each target in 30 Seconds

#### Practice 3 20 Meters

Targets will make 3 appearances of 3 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

Two shots to be fired on your right hand target on each appearance.

Gun will be reloaded before each appearance.

#### Practice 4 - 15 Meters

3 Rounds on each target in 30 Seconds

### National Target Shotgun Association Historic Multi Target – Single Barrelled Single shot

#### 25/30 Meter Course of Fire

2 DP1 targets requiring 24 rounds of slug, shot at 25/30m, 25m, 20m & 15m.

Targets scored at the conclusion of all four practices. Maximum score = 120 points

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with 1 round only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### Practice 1 25/30 Meters

6 rounds in 30 seconds on your left hand target.

#### Practice 2 25 Meters

3 Rounds on each target in 30 Seconds

#### Practice 3 20 Meters

Targets will make 3 appearances of 5 seconds with an away time of 5 seconds.

Two shots to be fired on your right hand target on each appearance.

Gun will be reloaded before each appearance, command to load will be given. Practice

#### 4 15 Meters

3 Rounds on each target in 30 Seconds

#### National Target Shotgun Association Slug Bowling Pins

25m Course of Fire.

**Targets** 10 bowling pins laid out as per Bowling set up.

Ammunition Slug ammunition, 2 rounds per run.

Timing Unlimited

**Scoring** As per 10 pin bowling, using strikes and spares. Number of 'frames' is

decided by match organiser.

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with a maximum of 2 rounds only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### **Procedure**

The shooter will take a maximum of 2 shots at 10 pins. If all knocked down with one shot then a strike is scored. If all knocked down with two shots a spare is scored.

Number of 'frames' shot to be decided by the match organiser.

Pins to be reset after each frame has been shot.

### National Target Shotgun Association Long Range Slug

100 / 200 yards. (50 & 150 yards may also be used)

Target – MR-65 "Target, Rifle, Competition Mid-Range" (500 yard target) or IPSC Target Rounds - 10 rounds slug plus unlimited sighters at each distance. MD may limit to 2 sighters due to time constraints.

Shot from a Standing / Prone or Bench Rest position.

Maximum Score = 50 points at each distance (25 points with IPSC Target)

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with a minimum of 1 round only. (Maximum of 10 rounds) Safety may be applied.

#### **Procedure**

The shooter may take two sighters which are convertible. If unlimited sights only the last two shots fired can be converted.

Then carry on until all 10 shots have been taken. Hits to be marked back for each shot.

Alternatively, all shots may be taken and scored at the conclusion of the practice. A spooter may be used to call fall of shot.

The match organiser may increase or decrease the number of shots taken in the competition. They may also elect different distances.

### National Target Shotgun Association Buck Shot Standards 1

#### Course of Fire.

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with 6 rounds only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

6 IPSC Mini Targets 12 rounds of maximum 9 ball Buckshot, shot at 15m & 10 m.

Targets scored at the conclusion of each practice.

#### Start Position.

Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground. Safety Must be applied.

#### **Scoring**

Highest scoring hits on each target. Maximum Score = 120 points.

#### Practice 1 - 15 Meters

1 round on each target. Freestyle in a time of 9 seconds.

#### Practice 2 - 10 Meters

1 round on each target. Freestyle in a fixed time of 7 seconds.

### National Target Shotgun Association Buck Shot Standards 2

#### Course of Fire.

6 IPSC Mini Targets 12 rounds of maximum 9 ball Buckshot, shot at 15m & 10 m.

Targets scored at the conclusion of each practice.

**Start Condition** – Option 1, Loaded with 6 rounds only. Safety may be applied.

Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### **Scoring**

2 Highest scoring hits on each target. Maximum Score = 120 points.

#### Practice 1 - 15 Meters

1 round on one target. Freestyle in a time of 2 seconds. Repeated 5 more times.

#### Practice 2 - 10 Meters

2 rounds, one on each of 2 targets. Freestyle in a fixed time of 3 seconds. Repeated twice more.

### National Target Shotgun Association Birdshot Standards

#### **General Briefing**

The Birdshot Standards competition can be made up of any number of matches. Each match is worth 60 points. The total score of the matches shot will determine the overall winner.

You may use any shotgun with any sights. However, anyone using a magazine fed shotgun or a section 2 shotgun may have different set times in some of the matches and will be scored separately.

The start position for each of the matches is – gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground. The start condition will be determined by the course of fire. The safety must be applied for any option 1 start. Each match that begins with a loaded start will specify the number of rounds in the gun. Any rounds loaded in excess of that specified will be penalised with a procedural error penalty.

Each match has a set time and a set number of rounds that may be fired. Overshots will be penalised by a procedural error penalty.

The time will be controlled by par time on the shot timer. The RO will determine how many plates have fallen within the set time. Their decision is final.

You will be given a briefing before each match, please listen carefully to what you are required to do, if you do not understand then ask the RO for clarification **before** you shoot.

Each plate is worth 5 points.

No miss penalties.

Maximum score per match is 60 points.

Please check your score sheet and sign before being submitted to stats.

### National Target Shotgun Association Birdshot Standards

#### Match 1 3-2-1

Practice 1 – Unloaded Start (Option 3) – shoot 2 targets in 3.5 seconds.

Practice 2 – Loaded Start (Option 2) – shoot 4 targets in 3.5 seconds.

Practice 3 – Loaded Start (Option 1) – shoot 6 targets in 3.5 seconds.

Section 2 = 10 seconds.

#### Match 2 Load 1 / 2

Practice 1 – Unloaded start (Option 3) – shoot 6 targets, load 1 shoot 1 in 14 seconds.

Practice 2 – Unloaded start (Option 3) – shoot 6 targets, load 2 shoot 2 in 14 seconds.

#### Match 3 Unloaded

Practice 1 – Unloaded start (Option 3) – shoot 6 targets, in 9 seconds.

Practice 2 – Unloaded start (Option 3) – shoot 6 targets, in 9 seconds.

Open Division = 6 Seconds.

Section 2 = 15 seconds.

#### Match 4 Strong & Weak 1

Practice 1 – Loaded start (Option 1) – shoot 6 targets, in 3.5 seconds.

Section 2 = 10 seconds.

Practice 2 – Loaded start (Option 1) – shoot 6 targets, from your weak shoulder in 4.5 seconds.

Section 2 =15 seconds.

#### Match 5 Strong & Weak 2

Practice 1 – Loaded start (Option 1) – shoot 6 targets, 2 shots from strong, 2 from weak and 2 from strong in 10 seconds.

Section 2 = 20 seconds

Practice 2 – Loaded start (Option 1) – shoot 6 targets, 2 shots from weak, 2 from strong and 2 from weak in 10 seconds.

Section 2 = 20 seconds

#### Match 6 Box to Box 1

Practice 1 – Loaded start (Option 1) with 8 rounds, start in either box. Shoot 6 targets in front of you, move to other box and shoot remaining targets in a fixed time of 12 seconds.

Section 2 = 20 Seconds

#### Match 7 Box to Box 2

Practice 1 – Loaded start (Option 1) with 8 rounds, start in either box. Shoot 6 targets in front of you, move to other box and shoot remaining targets from your weak shoulder in a fixed time of 13 seconds.

Section 2 = 24 Seconds

#### Match 8 All In

Practice 1 – Loaded start (Option 1) with 3 rounds, start standing in the middle of the two arrays of Targets. Shoot all targets, shoot 2 and reload 2, time of 15 seconds.

### National Target Shotgun Association NTSA Snooker Match

**Course of Fire** 

Shot from 6m up to 20m (Range conditions will dictate)

12 IPSC falling plates, laid out as per diagram below

Minimum of 12 rounds of Birdshot ammunition only.

Targets scored after each practice. Maximum Score = 33 points

Red plate = 1pt. Yellow 2pt, Green = 3pt, Brown 4pt, Blue = 5pt, Pink 6pt, Black = 7pt.

**Start Condition** – Option 3, unloaded. Safety may be applied.

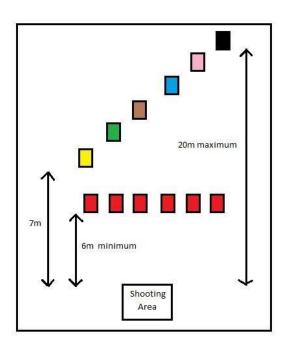
Start Position - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground

#### Procedure.

On audible start signal shoot the targets in a fixed time of 20 seconds. Targets to be shot in the following sequence, one red plate followed by a colour.

If a colour plate is missed the shooter must re engage a red plate before shooting another colour. The fixed time may be varied. Comstock scoring may also be used.

Note: the match organiser may elect to use time taken to clear all plates rather than fixed time.



#### National Target Shotgun Association NTSA Man v Man

#### **Course of Fire**

Shot from 6m up to 10m (Range conditions will dictate)

4 - 8 IPSC falling plates, 2 IPSC poppers, an example of how they may be laid out in the diagram below. Allow at least 20cm between each plate.

Birdshot ammunition only.

Winner is the shooter who knocks down the Popper first without faulting.

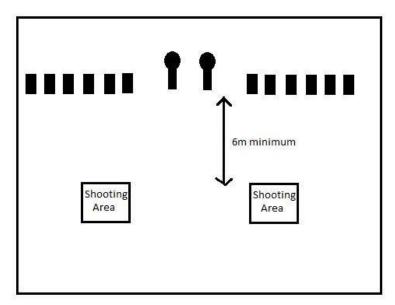
Start Condition - Match Director's decision. Safety may be applied.

**Start Position** - Gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground or placed on a suitable article such as tyres or a table.

#### **Procedure**

On the audible start signal the shooter will engagethe plates, carry out a compulsory reload and shoot down the Popper.

Note: it is for the match organiser to decide the start condition and order of shooting for the plates. The plates may be laid in any formation but must mirror for each competitor. Various start positions may also be used.



### National Target Shotgun Association Breda Plate Challenge

#### 10 Meter Course of Fire

9 metal plate targets, requiring 9 rounds of birdshot ammunition per match.

Scoring is Time Plus, scored after each match.

#### **Start Position**

Standing upright behind table with gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground.

#### **Procedure**

On the audible start signal, shoot the targets in any order using a maximum of 9 rounds of birdshot ammunition only. Any remaining plates will incur a time penalty of 5 seconds which is added to the time taken. All shooting be from behind the table.

Penalties Plus 5 seconds for leaving a plate standing

Plus 10 seconds for shooting more than 9 shots.

#### Match 1 Unloaded Start

All gun divisions Gun unloaded, all ammunition placed on table

#### Match 2 Load 1, Shoot 1

All divisions Gun Unloaded, all ammunition placed on table.

Shoot 1, load 1.

OPEN DIVISION Repeat Match 1.

Match 3 Loaded with 3

Section 1 & Section 2 Loaded with 3 rounds, with 6 rounds placed on table.

Section 2 Historic Loaded with 2 rounds, with 7 rounds placed on table.

Match 4 Weak Shoulder.

Section 1 Loaded with 9 rounds

Section 2 Loaded with 3 rounds, with 6 rounds placed on table.

Section 2 Historic Loaded with 2 rounds, with 7 rounds placed on table. All shooting to be from the weak shoulder. Loading and malfunction clearance may be undertaken with either hand.

Match 5 Fully Loaded (Section 1)

Section 1 Loaded with 9 rounds.

Section 2 &

Section 2 Historic Repeat Match 3.

Shoot targets down

#### National Target Shotgun Association Remington Speed Steels (RSS)

#### 20 Meter Course of Fire

7 metal Mini Poppers (or other metal plate targets), requiring 7 rounds of birdshot ammunition per run.

Scoring is Time Plus, scored after each run.

The competition may be made up of one or more stages, each stage may consist of one or more runs.

#### **Start Position**

Standing upright with gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground. The gun will be loaded. Sec 1 with 7 rounds only, Sec 2 with 3 rounds with remaining 5 rounds placed on table.

#### **Procedure**

On the audible start signal, shoot the targets using a maximum of 7 rounds of birdshot ammunition only. Any remaining targets will each incur a time penalty of 5 Seconds added to the time taken.

#### **Target Arrays**

Each stage may be set up differently with the array of targets being placed in any position between 8 and 20 meters, providing they are down range in a safe direction for the prevailing range conditions. There may be one distinct target designated as the stop plate.

**Stages** - A match may be made up of any number of stages and each stage may have any number of runs. The match organiser can designate how many of the runs will score. For example, best two runs out of three.

### National Target Shotgun Association NTSA Steel Plate Challenge

#### **10 Meter Course of Fire**

5 metal plate targets, requiring 5 rounds of birdshot ammunition per match.

Scoring is Time Plus, scored after each match.

#### **Start Position**

Standing upright behind table with gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground.

#### **Procedure**

On the audible start signal, shoot the targets in any order using a maximum of 5 rounds of birdshot ammunition only. Any remaining plates will incur a time penalty of 5 seconds which is added to the time taken. All shooting be from behind the table. The course of fire may repeated. It may include an unloaded start with all 5 rounds on the table.

Penalties Plus 5 seconds for leaving a plate standing

Plus 10 seconds for shooting more than 5 shots.

#### Match 1 Loaded Start

Gun unloaded with 5 rounds. Section 2 – Loaded with 3 rounds with 2 more rounds on table.

### National Target Shotgun Association NTSA Birdshot Speed Steels

The NTSA Speed Steels consist of any number of matches. Competition organisers may pick and choose which matches make up the competition. Each match should have at least three runs and is shot at 10 meters. (other distances may be used)

Each run consists of 6 metal plates (separating or knock down plate rack).

Scoring is Time Plus - The time taken to knock the plates down with 6 rounds only. Any plates left standing will incur an additional 5 seconds to the run time. Over shots or failing to comply with the course briefing, will incur a penalty of + 10 seconds. Timed by stopwatch or shot timer.

Start position and gun condition are determined by each match briefing.

Match 1 - Freestyle

Start – Standing upright with gun held in two hands at waist level. Loaded with

6 Rounds (Option 1) Shoot targets freestyle. Repeated twice or three times more.

Match 2 - Load 1 shoot 1

Start – Standing upright with gun held in two hands at waist level. Unloaded (Option 3) Shoot targets load 1 shoot 1. The shooter may only take a maximum of 6 shots. All rounds must be taken from belt Repeated twice or three times more.

Match 3 - Front to Back

Start – Standing upright with gun held in two hands at waist level. Loaded with

6 Rounds (Option 1) Shoot targets front to back. Repeated twice or three times more.

Targets are spaced diagonally across the range

Match 4 - Seated

Start – Seated on stool facing left or right. Gun held in two hands resting across things. Loaded with 6 rounds Option 2 (Empty Chamber)

Match 5 - Unloaded

Start - Standing upright with gun held in two hands at waist level. Unloaded gun (Option 3) Shoot targets freestyle. Load 6 rounds only after start signal from belt. Repeated twice more.

Match 6 – Back to Front

Start – Standing upright with gun held in two hands at waist level. Loaded with 6 Rounds (Option 1) Shoot targets Back to front. Repeated twice or three times more. Targets are spaced diagonally across the range

Match 7 - 6 plus 6 (requires two banks of 6 plates)

Start – Standing upright in middle of the banks of targets, with gun held in two hands at waist level. Loaded with 8 Rounds (Option 1) Shoot either banks of 6 targets, carry out a compulsory reload and shoot the remaining bank of targets.

### National Target Shotgun Association NTSA Shotgun Bianchi

NTSA Shotgun Bianchi is made up of a number of different matches. Organisers may choose which matches they wish to run to make up a Bianchi Competition, depending on the range set up available to them.

The Bianchi target may be used, but the IPSC Mini Target is also acceptable with an X ring of 2 inches in the centre of the A Zone.

Scoring – X ring = 10 points. A Zone = 10 points, C Zone = 8 points, D Zone = 5 points.

The start position for each practice is standing upright with gun held in two hands at waist level and parallel to the ground. The gun will be loaded with six rounds for each practice (\*\*except for practice 2 of the Slug/Buckshot Los Alamitos Match).

The start signal is the turning of the targets or the sound of the start signal from a shot timer.

The end of the practice is the turning away of the targets or the sound of the second beep from the shot timer.

All shooting is from a standing unsupported position, except where exceptions are allowed within the course of fire.

#### NTSA Bianchi Match 1 – Slug Practical Match.

Targets 2 x Bianchi Targets / IPSC Mini Targets

24 rounds of slug. Maximum score 240 points.

#### Practice 1 – 10 meters.

Run 1 – 1 shot on each target in 3 seconds

Run 2 – 2 shots on each target in 5 seconds

Run 3 - 3 shots on each target in 7 seconds.

#### Practice 2 – 20 meters

Run 1 – 1 shot on each target in 4 seconds

Run 2 – 2 shots on each target in 6 seconds

Run 3 - 3 shots on each target in 8 seconds.

#### NTSA Bianchi Match 2 – Slug Barricade Match.

Targets 2 x Bianchi Targets / IPSC Mini Targets.

24 rounds of slug. Maximum score 240 points.

#### Practice 1 – 10 meters.

Run 1 – 6 shots on right hand target in 6 seconds, from right shoulder

Run 2 – 6 shots on left hand target in 6 seconds, from left shoulder.

#### Practice 2 - 20 meters

Run 1 – 6 shots on right hand target in 8 seconds, from right shoulder.

Run 2 – 6 shots on left hand target in 8 seconds, from left shoulder.

#### NTSA Bianchi Match 3 – Slug Mover Match.

Targets 1 x Bianchi Target or IPSC Mini Target.

24 rounds of slug. Maximum score 240.

Target will move 20 meters in a time of 6 seconds. Moving from concealed cover and disappear behind cover.

#### Practice 1 - 10 meters.

Run 1 – 6 shots on target as it moves from right to left

Run 2 – 6 shots on target at it moves from left to right.

#### Practice 2 – 20 meters

Run 1 – 3 shots on target as it moves from right to left

Run 2-3 shots on target as it moves from left to right.

Run 3 – 3shots on target as it moves from right to left

Run 4 - 3 shots on target as it moves from left to right.

#### NTSA Bianchi Match 4 Buckshot Match.

Targets 6 x Bianchi Targets / IPSC Mini Targets 12 rounds of Buckshot ammunition (Maximum 9 ball). Maximum score 240 points.

#### Practice 1 – 10 meters.

Run 1-1 shot on each target in 7 seconds Two highest hits on each target to score.

#### Practice 2 – 20 meters

Run 1 – 1 shot on each target in 9 seconds

Two highest hits on each target to score.

#### NTSA Bianchi Match 5 - Birdshot Plate Match.

Targets 12 falling plates (2 banks of 6) 24 rounds

of Birdshot. Maximum score 240 points.

**Practice 1** - 10 meters.

Run 1 – 1 shot on 6 targets in 3.5 seconds

Run 2 – 1 shot on 6 targets in 3.5 seconds

**Practice 2** – 20 meters

Run 1 – 1 shot on 6 targets in 4.5 seconds

Run 2 – 1 shot on 6 targets in 4.5 seconds

#### NTSA Bianchi Match 6 Slug Los Alamitos Match

Targets 3 Bianchi /IPSC Mini targets 24 rounds of Slug. Maximum score 240

#### Practice 1 - 10 meters

**Run 1** – Targets will make three appearances of 3 secs with an away time of 10 seconds.

2 shots to be fired freestyle, in the following order,

2 shots on centre target, 2 shots on right hand target, then 2 shots on left hand target.

The shotgun must return to the ready position between each exposure.

**Run 2** - Targets will make 1 appearance of 8 seconds.

2 shots to be fired on each target from weak shoulder only.

#### Practice 2 – 20 meters

**Run 1 – Gun loaded with 8 rounds**. Targets will make one appearance of 15 seconds.

Two shots to be fired on each target, carry out a **reload of 4 rounds** and again, two shots to be fired on each target.

#### NTSA Bianchi Match 7 Buckshot Los Alamitos Match

Targets 6 IPSC Mini targets.

12 rounds of Buckshot (maximum of 9 ball).

Maximum score 240

#### Practice 1 – 10 meters

**Run 1** – Targets will make three appearances of 3 secs with an away time of 10 seconds.

Two shots to be fired freestyle on each appearance, in the following order.

1 shot on each of the centre targets, 1 shot on each of the right hand targets, then 1 shot on each of the left hand targets.

The shotgun must return to the ready position between each exposure.

Two highest hits on each target to score.

#### Practice 2 – 20 meters

6 targets, 3 in a row, one above the other

Run 1 – Gun loaded with 3 rounds.

Targets will make one appearance of 15 seconds.

1 shot to be fired on each upper target, carry out a **reload of 3 rounds** and shoot 1 shot on each lower target.

Two highest hits on each target to score.

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