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At the recent NZCTA Council meeting the following rules were adopted or changed.

Rule Section 4, Rule 9.2h is amended to read: Cell phones on or adjacent to a skeet field must be kept in the vibrate mode or off. No cell phone may be used on a skeet field. A cell phone ring may be considered interference, except if it is the shooter's own.

Rule Section 2, Rule 2.13 amended to read: It is compulsory for all persons (including shooters, referees and trap personnel) to wear some form of recognised and adequate ear protection on a trap, Skeet, Sporting or Compak range plus safety or shooting glasses on a skeet Sporting or Compak range for eye protection.

Handicap by Distance:

Effective 1 January 2010 Handicap by Distance targets should be ruled off in shooters handicap books after the completion of each 50 targets. This is for both forward and backward movements. This has been changed to reflect more accurately a shooters meterage.

The Bodkin tournament will be eligible for a handicap long run award but handicap targets from other Handicap by Distance events will not be able to be combined with the Bodkin tournament for the same badge. Effectively the Bodkin tournament is "ring-fenced" for handicap long run awards. This applies retrospectively so previous Bodkin tournaments will qualify for a long run award.

North/South Skeet qualifying events

Clubs are permitted to hold one 100 Target qualifying event per calendar year.

ISSF

As from 1 January 2010 the grade and starting percentages for ISSF disciplines will be:
Trap and Skeet Grade % = A grade 86% and above, B grade 68.1 – 85.9%, c grade 68% and below.
Double Trap A Grade 72% and above, B grade 64.1% to 71.9%, C grade 64% and below.
The starting percentages for new ISSF shooters are: Skeet and trap 68%, Double Trap 63.5%.

ISSF Skeet and Double Trap events have been reinstated at Zone matches from 1 January 2010. There has been an increase in attendances at these events and the ISSF shooters were eager to preserve these championships.

Super Veterans category

A Super Veterans category will be introduced into the Compak National Championships plus the Island Sporting and Compak Championships, effective January 2010.

A Super Veterans category will be introduced into the Island DTL Championships, effective January 2010. A DTL Super Veteran is 70 years or over on the day of competition.

A Super Veterans category will be introduced into the National Skeet Championships, effective January 2010.

A Skeet Super Veteran is 70 years or over on the day of competition.

Sporting Clay definitions (as per FITASC Rules)

- i) Ladies Category :- Open to all female shooters irrespective of age.
- (ii) Seniors category :- Open to all shooters who have turned 21 years of age and are under 56 years of age, during the entire year of the competition.
- (iii) Veteran Category :- Open to all shooters who have attained the age of 55 years in the year prior to the competition and will not attain the age of 66 years during the entire year of the competition. (ie if a shooter turns 55 in January then they cannot compete in the Veterans category at any time in that year – they must wait until the following year to compete in the Veterans category).
- (iv) Super Veteran Category :- Open to all shooters who have attained the age of 65 years in the year preceding the competition.
- (v) Juniors :- Open to all shooters who will not attain the age of 21 years by the 31st of December in the year of the competition (ie if a shooter turns 21 in December then they are ineligible to compete in the Junior category for all of that year).

DTL and Skeet National charges

Effective 1 January 2010 clubs hosting the National DTL and Skeet Championships will be able to charge a maximum of 30c per target (including GST). This is to compensate the host clubs for the additional costs they face when hosting these events.

Rule Book

The FITASC Sporting and Compak sections have been removed from the NZCTA Rule Book as the rules of the FITASC organization have been adopted. It is suggested that clubs running these events should download a copy of the rules from the FITASC web site. The Compak rules are available on:

http://fitasc.com/public/reglements/CompakSporting230908_UK.pdf

The Sporting Clay rules are available on

http://fitasc.com/public/reglements/ParcoursDeChasse230908_UK.pdf

A current copy of the NZCTA Rules is available on the “Rules and Forms” page of our web site.

Range Manual

The NZCTA Range Manual has been adopted by the NZCTA. This is on the “Forms and Rules” page of the web site.

Our Rules, Section 2, Rule 2.15a has been changed to read:

2.15 Specified danger area.

(a) In the interest of safety there shall be a specified danger area that is contained within a semicircle 200 metres radius whose base is the base chord of a skeet field or a line drawn at right angles to the centre line at the pivot point of the trap.

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