

EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE LEAGUE RULES 2016

1. The Match will be governed by NRA Rules, where they do not conflict with League Rules.
2. Matches will be fired at WOBURN SPORTSMEN'S ASSOCIATION
3. Limit 24 teams – two relays, 12 teams max each relay. Minimum of 5 teams on second relay.
4. Each team will consist of six (6) firing members and one qualified target marker (puller).
5. Relays consist of:
 - a. Starting Time: #1 – 9:00 AM #2 – 12:00 Noon
 - b. Block Shooting Time – 2 hrs 18 mins per relay
 - c. Use rain date for make-up match. One rain date will be scheduled. Match must be stopped temporarily for at least 30 minutes due to lightning. Match will be stopped due to rain, if pasters no longer stick to target. In that case, the entire day's match will be refired on the rain date. Both relays must complete firing on the same day.
6. Any offhand position allowed by NRA Rules may be used.
7. There will be no practice firing at the 200 yard range before the match!
8. Any person 60 years of age or older may use any sights. All others must use iron sights.
9. All disputes arising from the interpretation of League Rules will be resolved by a League Officer. A three-person jury will be selected (one person from each of three uninvolved teams) by a League Officer present, in case a League Officer is involved in the dispute or absent.
10. ALL SHOOTERS ON ANY TEAM MUST BE LEGITIMATE MEMBERS OF THE CLUB FOR WHICH THEY REPRESENT. STATE TEAM: NRA RULE 2-12 MUST BE A BONA FIDE TEAM. A competitor may fire on any team from ONLY ONE CLUB during the three matches, but must fire a majority of the matches on one team to be eligible for the high-on-team award.
11. Course of Fire
 - a. 2 sighters plus 20 shots for record. Sighters must be shot, and may be taken in any position.
 - b. When pair firing, the shooter on the right fires first, and shooters alternate firing.
 - c. Target will be the military SR short-range target at 200 yards.
12. Scoring
 - a. Sighters will be recorded on score sheet, in location provided.
 - b. X's will be scored and marked as an "X".
 - c. Misses will be marked "M".
 - d. Hits outside the 5 ring (including anywhere on the target face, cardboard or wooden frame) will be scored as a "4". If there's a hole, it will be plugged and scored a four.
 - e. The lowest score fired in the match will be the dummy score for the day. (Dummy score must be 20 record shots)
 - f. Any changes of scores must be signed by the Range Officer for that relay.
 - g. Any score that is not legible will be scored as a MISS.
 - h. Team Captain's and Scorer's signatures must be on the score sheet. It is the responsibility of the Team Captain to check scores and totals.
 - i. Score cards must be turned in to Range Officer before leaving 200 yard area.
 - j. Each shooter MUST fill out complete contact info prior to shooting their first match of the season. Contact info required is team name, competitor name, address, phone and email. This information will be used to email final match results to club contacts.

- k. The winning team will be determined as follows:
 - i. Placement formula (average of places)
 - ii. If teams are tied, the team with the:
 - 1. Highest total score for all three weeks.
 - 2. Highest total "X" count for all three weeks.
 - 3. Highest team score starting with last match and working backward.

13. Rifles

- a. TRIGGERS – any safe trigger (no minimum weight, triggers will not be weighed)
- b. Iron sights (60 years and older, any sights)
- c. Any safe ammunition may be used. No tracers.
- d. The same rifle must be used throughout the match, unless it becomes disabled. Bad ammo is not a disabled rifle.
- e. Single round loading only! **KEEP FINGER OFF TRIGGER AND OUTSIDE TRIGGER GUARD UNTIL ON TARGET AND READY TO FIRE!!** Rifle muzzle must not be raised above horizontal, when closing bolt or once bolt is closed. In case of slam fire, malfunction or accidental trigger contact, rifle must be pointed in a safe direction so discharge will strike ground or backstop. **WE CANNOT HAVE ROUNDS LEAVING THE RANGE!!** Match Officers will warn any shooter raising gun above horizontal. Repeated infraction will disqualify shooter. Only an unloaded rifle with open bolt may be placed butt down.
- f. Schuetzen butt plates (any type of hook) and palm rests are not allowed.
- g. Slings must be in parade position.
- h. Use of ECI (empty chamber indicator) is required. (NRA Rule 3.21) Yellow colored indicators are required, for visibility. Open bolt indicator is not sufficient.

14. Markers

- a. Pit Officer and Target Markers will go to the butts before target points are assigned.
- b. Target Markers must report no later than ½ hour before relay is scheduled to fire.
- c. Target Markers will be paid \$14.00 for scoring for a 6-person team match, paid out of the entry fees. In the event of cancellation, it is the team's responsibility to ensure that the Marker is compensated a minimum of \$6.00, paid any additional money by the team.
- d. A "Qualified" Marker must be provided by each team. Marker should pull, mark and raise target in a timely manner, as instructed by the Pit Officer.
- e. Teams without markers will be disqualified.

15. New Teams

- a. New Teams wishing to enter the league must have a majority vote of the teams from the previous year. Entries must be in one month early to allow time to notify other teams and conduct a vote.

16. Disability Review

- a. Apply one month in advance of the deadline, to determine alternative shooting position.

17. Club Safety Responsibility

- a. Each club must ensure that new shooters are safe and capable of keeping rounds safely on the target and in the impact area. Range Officers will immediately remove an unsafe shooter from the line. Each club is responsible for their competitors' actions.