TARGET RIFLE VICTORIA Inc.

Competitions Policy

1. POLICY STATEMENT

Target Rifle Victoria Inc. conducts a number of competitions on an annual basis. These competitions are conducted under their own unique rules and regulations but all fall under the general auspice of the ISSF rules and regulations, TRA Australian Rifle Rules and TRA Australian Supported Rifle Rules in the conduct of our sport.

This policy aims to set a standard for the conduct of those competitions conducted by Target Rifle Victoria Inc. (TRV) to ensure fair and equitable competition for all.

2. OUTCOME

All persons who are associated with Target Rifle Victoria Inc. will be aware of their rights and responsibilities in relation to the conduct of and their participation in TRV competitions.

3. APPLICABLE TO:

Target Rifle Victoria Inc. Council, Councillors and TRV member clubs which includes members of those member clubs and all entrants in TRV competitions who are affiliated with like organisations.

4. PROCESS:

4.1 Entry into competitions

Eligibility criteria will be found in the rules for the relevant match. For TRV competitions all entrants, with the exception of suitably authorised international visitors, are required to be a current financial member of TRV/TRA and hold a current firearms licence or Junior permit. Entry to a TRV competition implies acceptance of the rules of that competition, including eligibility rules and any contravention of those rules will result in disqualification or the application of such other sanctions as are available within the rules of the individual competitions.

4.2 Competition Age Catagories

Competition Category Definitions used in TRA and TRV competitions.

4.2.1 SUB-JUNIOR CATEGORY

Sub-Juniors are shooters who will be under the age of 16 on December 31st in the year of the competition. (Sub Juniors are eligible to win Sub Junior, Junior and Open categories)

(Amended 1st April 2013)

4.2.2 JUNIOR CATEGORY

ISSF Rule 3.3.6 Juniors are shooters who will be under the age of 21 on December 31st in the year of the competition. (Juniors are eligible to win both Junior and Open categories)

(Amended 1st April 2013)

4.2.3 VETERAN CATEGORY TARGET RIFLE VICTORIA.

Veterans are shooters who have reached the age of 65 years on December 31st in the year of the competition. (Amended 1st April 2013)

4.2.4 TARGET RIFLE AUSTRALIA. VETERAN CATEGORY

Veterans are shooters who have reached the age of 60 years on December 31st in the year of the competition.

4.2.5 SENIOR CATEGORY

All other competitors other than IPC competitors are Senior competitors

4.3 Competition Year

The TRV competition year is to begin 1st of January and finish on the 31st of December. All TRV yearly events including the Master Marksman series, Bench Master series and all pennants are to be shot within this period.

(Congress 2013)

4.4 Trophies awarded in grades in TRV Competitions

First, second and third medals to be awarded in all categories and grades if there is a competitor to receive it. (Congress 2010)

4.5 TRV Competitions Additional Rules

4.5.1 TIME LIMITS

4.5.1.1 On electronic targets and target changing machines (TCM) time limits are as specified in the ISSF Rules and Regulations 7.9

(A combined Preparation and Sighting period of **15 minutes** starts before the published start time of the event)

Definition: A Target Carrier System is any system that returns the target to the firing line during competition.

4.5.1.2 All Prone and 3 Position matches shot on Paper Targets will use the time limits in the Australian Supplementary Rifle Rules. (A 6.3 Paper Targets)

4.5.2 TRV Benchrest Competition Additional Rules

- 4.5.2.1 All TRV 50m Benchrest competitions are to be of 75 competition shots (3x25 shots. 2015 TRV 50mt Benchrest cards)
- 4.5.2.2 50m Benchrest time limit for 25 competition shots (including sighting shots unlimited in number before the first competition shot) is 30 minutes.
- 4.5.2.3 Any unexplained shot hole outside the sighting box of a 50m Benchrest target card will be classed as a competition shot.

4.5.3 Dual Range eligibility

4.5.3.1 Competitors must shoot in both stages of the event to be eligible for any awards.

4.5.4 Range Procedures

4.5.4.1

At the beginning of the Squad

No Rifles to be placed on the FIRING POINT.

All Shooters to put their targets up.

When all Shooters have returned from forward of the Firing Line.

Range Officers to Double check that no one is forward of the firing line.

(All Shooters to have their targets up)

Announce -- Range is Clear -- Rifles can be brought to the firing line

(10 minutes before start time) Announce -- Preparation Time Begins now --

(10 minutes later @ start time) Announce -- -- START --- (shooting commences)

(20 minutes after start time) Announce -- 10 Minutes (25 minutes after start time) Announce -- 5 Minutes

(30 minutes after start time) Announce -- STOP

At the end of Detail 1 and 2

Range Officers check Rifles for the presence of an inserted SAFETY flag.

(If all rifles have safety Flags)

time.

Announce -- Range is Clear -- Ten Minute change over

RANGE OFFICERS TO REMAIN ON FIRING POINT AT ALL TIMES & NO ONE TO HANDLE ANY RIFLES

When all Persons have returned from forward of the Firing Line. Range Officers to Double check that no one is forward of the firing line.

Announce -- Range is Clear

Announce-

AT THE COMPLETION OF SHOOTING ALL EQUIPMENT IS TO REMAIN ON FIRING POINT UNTIL ALL SHOOTERS HAVE FINISHED AND ALL RIFLES ARE CLEARED BY THE RANGE OFFICER

(At the completion of Change over Time) Announce -- START ----

(20 minutes after start time)

(25 minutes after start time)

(30 minutes after start time)

Announce -- 10 Minutes
Announce -- 5 Minutes
Announce -- STOP

At the end of the Squad (Detail 3)

Announce -- STOP

Range Officers check Rifles for the presence of an inserted SAFETY flag. (If all rifles have safety Flags)

Announce --

Shooters to remove their equipment from the firing point.

Announce-- RANGE CLEAR. Change Targets.

Shooters to remove their shot targets and new squad to enter range and put their targets up.

No Rifles to be placed on the FIRING POINT.

(Return to 4.5.4.1)

BENCHREST RANGE SAFETY (TRA and RBA Style Benchrest)

- A.6.4.1 No rifle is to be loaded until directed by the Range Officer, and rifles shall be pointed in the direction of the target area at all times.
- A.6.4.2 In the event of any STOP call being made rifles shall be immediately unloaded, magazines (if applicable) removed and the competitor shall step back from the bench.
- A.6.4.3 While personnel are forward of the firing line no rifle or equipment on the benches is to be handled. Competitors shall remain behind the benches until the range is clear and the Range Officer's command is given.
- A.6.4.4 At the completion of each course of fire rifles shall be left on the benches with breaches open and magazines (if applicable) removed until cleared by the Range Officer at the completion of the match with breech flags inserted.

4.6 TRV Competitions

Competitions conducted by TRV are (with current rules for conduct of competition as listed):

4.6.1 State	Cham	pions	hips
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- 4.6.1.1 State Championships part 1
- 4.6.1.2 State Championships part 2

4.6.2 Pennant Competition

- 4.6.2.1 50m Rifle Prone
- 4.6.2.2 50m Rifle Benchrest
- 4.6.2.3 20m Rifle Prone
- 4.6.2.4 20m Rifle Benchrest
- 4.6.2.5 10m Air Rifle
- 4.6.2.6 For each discipline one handicap pennant
- 4.6.2.7 IPC
- 4.6.2.8 10m Air Rifle Supported
- 4.6.2.9 25m Air Rifle Benchrest

4.6.3 State Postal Championships

- 4.6.3.1 50m Rifle Prone
- 4.6.3.2 50m Rifle 3Px40
- 4.6.3.3 50m Rifle 3Px20
- 4.6.3.4 50m Rifle Benchrest (Captain's 1500)
- 4.6.3.5 20m Rifle Prone
- 4.6.3.6 20m Rifle Benchrest
- 4.6.3.7 10m Air Rifle

4.6.4 State Competitions

Generated from TRV Competitions and Club Prize Shoots

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- 4.6.4.1 Master Marksman Series
- 4.6.4.2 Bench Master Series
- 4.6.4.3 Northcote Trophy All Range Prone State Champion
- 4.6.4.4 Bench Rest All Range State Champion

4.6.5 Named Matches

- 4.6.5.1 Endurance Match
- 4.6.5.2 President's 1200 Air Rifle Postal
- 4.6.5.3 New Zealand Goodwill Cup
- 4.6.5.4 Albert Harbett Junior Postal
- 4.6.5.5 20m Prone Champion of Club Champions
- 4.6.5.6 20m Benchrest Champion of Club Champions
- 4.6.5.7 Individual 50m Prone Handicap Competition (at Warren Potent)
- 4.6.5.8 Individual Air Rifle Handicap Competition (at Graham Lawler)

4.7 <u>Competitions run by TRV on behalf of other organisations or run by other</u> states

4.7.1 TRA Competitions

- 4.7.1.1 National Championships
- 4.7.1.2 Graham Lawler Interstate Postal Air Rifle Series
- 4.7.1.3 Warren Potent Interstate Postal 50 metre Rifle Prone Series

- 4.7.1.4 Interstate Postal Junior 50 metre Rifle Prone Series
- 4.7.1.5 Interstate Postal 50 metre Rifle 3 Position Series
- 4.7.1.6 BSA Shield
- 4.7.1.7 National Postal Championships

4.7.2 Other Organisations

- 4.7.2.1 BSA Cup NSRA
- 4.7.2.2 Commonwealth Cities NSRA
- 4.7.2.3 Auckland Match
- 4.7.2.4 Australia Cup AISL

4.8 Conduct of the competition

Competitions will be conducted according to this policy as laid out in the applicable appendix.

Standard Hierarchy of Rules for TRV Competition.

- 1. Venue Safety Rules
- 2. Competition Flyer
- 3. TRV Rules
- 4. TRA Australian Rifle Rules
- ISSF Rules and Regulations

This hierarchy shall apply to all of the competitions listed.

4.9 TRV Competitions History

5. RISK MANAGEMENT

This Competition Policy forms a part of the Risk Management system of Target Rifle Victoria Inc. By observing this policy, it is expected that risk in relation to this policy can be monitored both by member clubs and Target Rifle Victoria Inc.

6. ADOPTED

Signatures:	adopted on:		
olghataroo.	President – Target Rifle Victoria	Date	
	Councillor - Target Rifle Victoria	Date	

Appendices -

4.6.1 State Championships

Organisation

10m Air Rifle shall be conducted on an indoor range. All other matches shall be on outdoor ranges.

State Championships part 1 will be held at MISC unless another venue is deemed to be capable of conducting these matches.

State Championships part 2 will be held at various venues around the State.

The minimum number of bays (outdoors) considered suitable to conduct a State Championships is 20.

The host club will be paid a range hire at the rates set by council.

Currently the roster for State Championships part 2 is

Wangaratta	2013
Hamilton	2014
Shepparton	2015
Geelong	2016
Stawell	2017

The venues for the following championship year should be booked by the Secretary during the process of setting the competition calendar.

The Judging Convenor shall nominate a Technical Representative to oversee the championships. Such person(s) shall have a minimum of an ISSF B Class Licence. The appointment shall be subject to approval by the TRV Council.

An Organising Committee shall be formed by the Judging Convenor consisting of the Technical Representative, Outdoor Convenor and Indoor Convenor and where necessary a representative from the club where the event is being held

Clubs will be required to provide a targetry system which provides for backing cards

Matches and awards

Awards Gold, Silver and Bronze for Grades, Veterans, Juniors and Sub Juniors regardless of entry numbers (TRV Decision July 2010.)

4.6.1.1 TRV State Championships part 1

50m Rifle 3Px40

Open Champion Badges 1st – 3rd & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D Gold, silver and bronze.

50m Rifle 3Px20

Open Champion Badges 1st – 3rd & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

50m Rifle Prone

Open Champion Perpetual Trophy
Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian
Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze
Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian
Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & sash for 1st Victorian
Grades A,B,C,D, Gold, Silver & Bronze.

10m Air Rifle 40 Shots

Open Champion Badges 1st – 3rd & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D,E Gold, Silver & Bronze.

10m Air Rifle 60 Shots

Open Champion Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D,E Gold, Silver & Bronze.

(Amended 11th July 2010)

50m Rifle Benchrest Championship

Open Champion Perpetual Trophy
Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian
Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze
Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian
Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian
Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

(Amended 1st April 2013)

10m Air Rifle Supported 60 shots

50m Rifle Prone Supported 60 shots

25m Air Rifle Bench Rest 75 shots

IPC Matches.

R1 Air Rifle standing Men SH1	60 shots
R2 Air Rifle Standing Women SH1	40 shots
R3 Air Rifle Prone Mixed SH1	60 shots
R4 Air Rifle Standing Mixed SH2	60 shots
R5 Air Rifle Prone Mixed SH2	60 shots
R6 English Match .22 Mixed SH1	60 shots
R7 Free Rifle .22 Men SH1	3 x 40 shots
R8 Sport Rifle .22 Women SH1	3 x 20 shots
R9 English Match .22 Mixed SH2	60 shots
R10 Air Rifle Standing Mixed SH3	60 shots
R11 Air Rifle prone Mixed SH3	60 shots

(introduced 2009)

4.6.1.2 TRV State Championships part 2

Dual Range Prone Championship 20m x 60 shot & 50m/90m x 60 shots

Open Champion Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

20m Prone Championship

Open Champion Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

50m Prone Match

Also held at TRV Championships Part 2 if no 90 metre match is held. 50m Prone Match – results used for Prone Dual Range Championship when Part 2 does not have a 90m Prone Match.

90m Prone Championship (when held)

90m Championship when held.
Open Champion Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze
Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

Dual Range Benchrest Championship 20m x 60 shot & 50m x 75 / 90m x 60 shots

Open Champion Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian

Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

50m Benchrest Match

Also held at TRV Championships Part 2 if no 90 metre match is held. 50m Benchrest Match – results used for Benchrest Dual Range Championship when Part 2 does not have a 90m Benchrest Match. (Amended 1st April 2013)

90m Rifle Benchrest Championship.

90m championship will be held depending on the venue Open Champion Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

20m Rifle Benchrest Championship

Open Champion Badges 1st – 10th & Sash for 1st Victorian Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze & Sash for 1st Victorian Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

20m Prone Champion of Club Champions (Senior & Junior)

Named match 4.6.5.5 Trophy for 1st (Perpetual)
Trophy for 1st Junior (Perpetual)

Organisation (

40 shot match open to 20m Prone Club Champions (Senior & Junior) only.

Entries in writing to the organising committee 14 days prior to the event only. Forms to be sent out by TRV

20m Bench Rest Champion of Club Champions

Named match 4.6.5.6 Trophy for 1st (Perpetual)

Organisation

40 shot match open to 20m Benchrest Club Champions only. Entries in writing to the organising committee 14 days prior to the event only

Forms to be sent out by TRV

20m Supported Prone 50m Supported Prone

4.6.2 Pennant Competition

Organisation

Pennant Competitions are to include a competition for IPC shooters. There are to be a minimum of 3 team entries for the IPC competition to be held. (*TRV Council November 2010*)

The respective convenor will issue a competition flyer advertising the competition three months prior to the commencement of the competition. Entries to be closed one month prior to scheduled commencement of the competition to allow time for organisation.

The convenor shall allocate the teams into sections based on the state grading averages of the nominated shooters using the highest averages for the minimum number of shooters required for a team. When allocating the teams to sections, the convenor shall check the membership status of the nominated shooters.

The team averages calculated will be ranked and teams split into sections based on those rankings.

The optimum section size is seven or eight teams giving a fourteen round competition. Where necessary five or six team sections may be used for the whole competition giving a ten round competition.

The draw, rules and any other requirements will be sent to the competing clubs and section officers two weeks prior to the commencement of the competition. No nominated Team member is to commence shooting before the advertise start date for round one of the competition.

The convenor should keep a check set of results up to date after each round in order to uncover any problems with the progress of the competition.

Any protests received and penalties imposed shall be reported to the judging convenor

The convenor is to collate and distribute the final results including the handicap pennant within 21 days of the completion of the competition.

Final results will be sent to the trophy steward, state grader and to the secretary for distribution to clubs.

Section Officers

The respective convenor will nominate suitably qualified persons as section officers to the judging convenor for approval. These section officers are tasked to apply these rules in the running of the competition under the direction of the convenor.

Where targets are scored manually a section officer shall not be appointed to a section in which their club has a team.

The section officers are to receive targets and, applying the rules in conjunction with the convenor, score targets and enter results into the online pennant management system, then report to the convenor in a timely fashion. Penalties, if any, shall be decided in conjunction with the convenor.

Scores emailed to the clubs after each round should be marked as preliminary as they are not official until the competition is finished and the final results issued by the convenor.

Pennant Rules

4.6.2.1 50m Rifle Prone

Any 50m target meeting ISSF or TRA specifications. Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target card or printout prior to shooting.

All pennant rounds, the team will consist of four (4) shooters (target cards / printer strips with the sticker attached) with the three (3) highest scores to count. All other target cards / printer strips returned will be for individual results only (if eligible).

Twenty (20) competition shots per shooter per match round shot in the prone position.

Shooting time thirty (30) minutes for unlimited sighters and twenty (20) consecutive competition shots

4.6.2.2 50m Rifle Benchrest

Only TRV 2015 50mt Bench Rest Targets are to be used. Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target card prior to shooting.

All pennant rounds, the team will consist of four (4) shooters (target cards with the sticker attached) with the three (3) highest scores to count. All other target cards returned will be for individual results only (if eligible).

Twenty five (25) competition shots per shooter per match round.

Shooting time thirty (30) minutes for unlimited sighters and twenty five (25) consecutive competition shots

4.6.2.3 20m Rifle Prone

Pre numbered 20m TRV targets, consecutively numbered shall be used for each round; stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target card prior to shooting.

All pennant rounds, the team will consist of six (6) shooters (target cards with the sticker attached) with the five (5) highest scores to count. All other target cards returned will be for individual results only (if eligible).

Ten (10) competition shots per shooter per match round shot in the prone position.

Shooting time fifteen (15) minutes for unlimited sighters and ten (10) consecutive competition shots

4.6.2.4 20m Rifle Benchrest

Pre numbered 20m bench rest TRV targets, consecutively numbered shall be used for each round; stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target card prior to shooting.

All pennant rounds, the team will consist of four (4) shooters (target cards with the sticker attached) with the three (3) highest scores to count. All other target cards returned will be for individual results only (if eligible).

Twenty (20) competition shots per shooter per match round.

Shooting time thirty (30) minutes for unlimited sighters and twenty (20) consecutive competition shots

4.6.2.5 10m Air Rifle

Any 10m Air Rifle target meeting ISSF or TRA specifications. Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target cards or printout prior to shooting.

All pennant rounds, the team will consist of four (4) shooters (target cards / printer strips with the sticker attached) with the three (3) highest scores to count. All other target cards / printer strips returned will be for individual results only (if eligible).

Thirty (30) competition shots per shooter per match.

Shooting time fifty-five (55) minutes for unlimited sighters and thirty (30) consecutive competition shots shot in the standing position.

4.6.2.6 Handicap Pennants

For each discipline one handicap pennant will be awarded over all sections based on the Macrae System. The Team that has accumulated the highest handicap aggregate team scores at the end of the season shall win the handicap award.

4.6.2.7 IPC (International Paralympic Committee) Pennants

An IPC pennant Competition will be held in a discipline where there are three or more IPC team entries.

Targets to be the same as used for other pennant competitions. Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target card or printout prior to shooting.

Team numbers and shooting times to be the same as for the corresponding TRV Pennant competition.

4.6.2.8 10m Air Rifle Supported

Any 10m Air Rifle target meeting ISSF or TRA specifications. Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target cards or printout prior to shooting.

All pennant rounds, the team will consist of four (4) shooters (target cards / printer strips with the sticker attached) with the three (3) highest scores to

count. All other target cards / printer strips returned will be for individual results only (if eligible).

Thirty (30) competition shots per shooter per match.

Shooting time fifty-five (55) minutes for unlimited sighters and thirty (30) consecutive competition shots.

4.6.2.9 25m Air Rifle Benchrest

Any 25m Air Rifle target meeting WRAARBF specifications. Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target card prior to shooting. All pennant rounds, the team will consist of four (4) shooters (target cards with the sticker attached) with the three (3) highest scores to count. All other target cards returned will be for individual results only (if eligible).

Thirty (25) competition shots per shooter per match.

All rounds will be conducted under World Rimfire and Air Rifle Benchrest Federation Rules.

Team Formation

(amended to commence at the beginning of the 2015 competition year)

- a. Only those shooters nominated on the team entry form are eligible to be included in that team.
- b. A shooter may be nominated for one team only in any one TRV Pennant Competition.
- c. All teams may have a maximum of ten (10) shooters nominated on the entry form.(Council 2014) Ungraded shooters must submit 3 scores to be eligible to compete in any pennant.
- d. Nominated team members are required to be a current financial member of TRV/TRA and should hold a current firearms licence or Junior permit.
- e. Only Shooter being nominated on the team entry form may compete for individual aggregate awards by shooting the required course of fire under the same conditions as team members and returning the completed targets with the teams targets for that round to the competition officer.
- f. No pennant round may be shot in conjunction with any prize meeting or TRV state run event.

Signing & witnessing & return of targets

- a. All targets and/or print out strips must be signed and dated by the competitor and signed by the witness. For air rifle competitions shot on single targets only the first and last targets are to be signed, dated and witnessed.
- A scoresheet for each round shall be completed by a club official. Any irregularities must be noted on the scoresheet.
- c. Targets and completed and signed scoresheets must be returned by mail, post marked no later than the first business day following the end of the shooting week for that round.
- d. In all competitions requiring return of targets the only accepted method is by post to the nominated section officer

Penalties

a. The Judging Convenor shall form a jury panel of suitably qualified persons for each pennant series. When a protest is received a jury of three shall be convened from the panel to decide the protest.

The Jury of Appeal consisting of three members shall be formed from TRV Council.

Penalties shall be those in the ISSF rules, TRA rifle rules and IPC Rules.
 And:

The penalty for late return of targets shall be exclusion of the team score for that round. Scores will still be counted in the individual aggregate

- c. The penalty for any breach of these competition policy rules other than those covered in the ISSF rules, TRA Supplementary Rifle Rules and the IPC Rules shall be exclusion of the shooters' targets from the team and individual aggregates for that round.
- d. Protests against a decision of or an action by a competition official must be received by the competition convenor within fourteen (14) days of the preliminary scores being posted and will be decided by the nominated competition jury.
- e. Decisions of the jury may be appealed in writing to the competition convenor within fourteen (14) days of notification of the result of the protest and will be decided by the jury of appeal.

Scoring & Awards

- a. Competition points (scratch competition) will be awarded, four (4) for each win and for a bye where the team completes the round, two (2) for a draw and none (0) for a loss.
- b. A pennant shall be awarded to the winning team in each competition section.
- c. Prizes shall be awarded to the members of the winning teams.
- d. Individual aggregates.

For a fourteen round competition the individual aggregate will be the best twelve rounds and for a ten round competition the individual aggregate will be the best nine rounds.

Open Champion Badges 1st – 10th

Veteran Gold, Silver, Bronze

Junior (U21) Gold, Silver, Bronze

Sub Junior (U16) Gold, Silver, Bronze

Grades A,B,C,D (E grade for Air only) Gold, Silver & Bronze.

e. If two or more teams are tied for highest points at the end of the competition series there will be a shoot off to determine the section champion.

The shoot off may be held on each club's home range under the direction of the competition convenor or his delegate, or may be shot shoulder to shoulder on a nominated range under the direction of the competition convenor or his delegate if all teams are agreeable.

If a tie remains after the shoot off a pennant shall be awarded for each team remaining in the tie.

f. For Handicap pennants

The Team that has accumulated the highest handicap aggregate team scores at the end of the season shall win the handicap award.

4.6.3 State Postal Championships

- 4.6.3.1 50m Rifle Prone
- 4.6.3.2 50m Rifle 3Px40
- 4.6.3.3 50m Rifle 3Px20

Organisation

Course of fire, May be held in conjunction with the TRA interstate postal competition or as a stand alone competition (5 - 3 x 20 matches)

Any 50m Rifle target meeting ISSF or TRA specifications

This is a postal competition held over a five month period (one match per month).

Awards

Overall Badges 1st – 10th.

Grades A, B, C, D. Veterans, Juniors and Sub – Juniors.

4.6.3.4 50m Rifle Benchrest (Captain's 1500)

Organization

A 150 shot postal Benchrest competition for any Financial member using TRV 25 scoring aiming mark Benchrest cards

To be shot under ISSF, TRA Supplementary Rifle Rules and TRV competitions policy. Stickers are to be placed behind any scoring aiming mark on the target card prior to shooting. Only the 2015 TRV 25 shot benchrest targets are to be used.

Awards

Overall Badges 1st – 10th.

Grades A, B, C, D. Veterans, Juniors and Sub – Juniors.

4.6.3.5 20m Rifle Prone

Overall Badges 1st – 10th.

Grades A, B, C, D. Veterans, Juniors and Sub – Juniors.

4.6.3.6 20m Rifle Benchrest

Overall Badges 1st – 10th.

Grades A, B, C, D. Veterans, Juniors and Sub –Juniors.

4.6.3.7 President's 10m Air Rifle matches.

ISSF Air Rifle

Supported Air Rifle

IPC

Awards for all events.

Perpetual Trophy for 1st Overall Badges 1st – 10th.

Grades A, B, C, D . Veterans, Juniors and Sub –Juniors.

Organization

A 120 shot postal Air Rifle competition. To be shot under ISSF and TRA Supplementary Rifle Rules & TRA Supported Rifle Rules. Any 10m Air Rifle target meeting ISSF or TRA specifications. Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark (one sticker on each target strip or Single targets sticker to be placed on every tenth target) or printout prior to shooting if possible.

4.6.4 <u>State Competitions Generated from Club Prize Shoots</u>

4.6.4.1 Master Marksman Series

Organisation

(amended to commence at the beginning of the 2012 competition year (April 2012))

The competition is held between 1st January and 31st December of each year from the results of selected 50m rifle prone events run by TRV member clubs where the club has applied to join the series and commits to run the events in accordance with the rules of TRV.

The competition will comprise up to 14 events with the best 8 results to count.

Where there are eight or less events in the competition the results will be calculated on all events in the series.

Applications by clubs for inclusion in the series must be received by the Outdoor Competition Convenor by October 31st on the approved form for the competition commencing in the following January.

Clubs shall confirm their application by forwarding to the Convenor at least 60 days before the proposed event date the competition flyer for final approval. As a minimum the competition advertised must be a sixty shot match with awards for the top three places in each grade.

A club shall not be allowed more than one event in the competition in one year. Where the club event is held over two days either one day shall be nominated for the competition or the aggregate scores from both days shall be used to determine results.

Where paper targets are in use backing targets shall be used. They shall be placed 40cm behind the competition target.

Results of the event must be forwarded electronically as an excel spreadsheet to the grading officer within fourteen days of the completion of the event.

Subject to the Technical Delegate's report regarding the conduct of the event

points shall be awarded to the competitors in both the scratch and Macrae Handicap series on the basis of:

1 st	10 points	2 nd	9 points
3^{rd}	8 points	4 th	7 points
5 th	6 points	6 th	5 points
7 th	4 points	8 th	3 points
9 th	2 points	10 th	1 points

For a shooter to be eligible to claim points in the Master Marksman series handicap section, they must first have a certified TRV average. Therefore, if it is their first competition they are not eligible to claim any handicap points, only scratch and category (Veteran and Junior) points.

A certified TRV average is gained once at least one 60 shot match score is added to the grading system. If only one match score is available, the shooters average is that score. If between 2 and 7 match scores are available, the shooters average is calculated from the average of all matches. If 8 or more match scores are available, the highest and lowest scores are removed and the shooters average will be the average of the remaining 6 scores.

Separating of Ties

In the event of a tie, the higher placing will be awarded to the competitor that has attended the greater number of competitions up to the allowed maximum of eight. In the event of a tie with two competitors who have attended the same number of competitions, the higher placing will be awarded to the competitor that has gained the greater number of higher placing's at any one or multiple individual competitions throughout the season. For example Shooter A and Shooter B both have a total of 32 points, Shooter A scored 8, 9, 7, 8 and Shooter B scored 9, 10, 7, 6, in this case Shooter B would gain the higher placing due to the 10 points they gained in round 2. (TRV council Aug 2013)

Awards

Perpetual trophy for 1st scratch.

There shall be cloth badges 1st to 10th in both the scratch and handicap divisions.

Veteran, Junior, Sub Junior Gold, Silver & Bronze medals in scratch.

All awards to be presented at the annual dinner.

4.6.4.2 Bench Master Series

Organisation

The competition is held between 1st January and 31st December of each year from the results of selected 50m rifle benchrest events run by TRV member clubs where the club has applied to join the series and commits to run the events in accordance with the rules of TRV

The competition will comprise up to 14 events with the best 8 results to count.

Where there are eight or less events in the competition the results will be calculated on all events in the series.

Applications by clubs for inclusion in the series must be received by the Outdoor Competition Convenor by October 31st on the approved form for the competition commencing in the following January.

Clubs shall confirm their application by forwarding to the Convenor at least 60 days before the proposed event date the competition flyer for final approval. As a minimum the competition advertised must be a 60 shot match with awards for the top three places in each grade.

Clubs can choose either the TRA 50m 20 shot benchrest target, or the 2014 TRV 25 shot benchrest target to be used at their event. (TRV Congress 2015)

A club shall not be allowed more than one event in the competition in one year. Where the club event is held over two days either one day shall be nominated for the competition or the aggregate scores from both days shall be used to determine results.

Where paper targets are in use backing targets shall be used. They shall be placed 40cm behind the competition target.

Results of the event must be forwarded electronically as an excel spreadsheet to the grading officer within fourteen days of the completion of the event.

Subject to the Technical Delegate's report regarding the conduct of the event points shall be awarded to the competitors in both the scratch and Macrae Handicap series on the basis of:

1 st	10 points	2 nd	9 points
3 rd	8 points	4 th	7 points
5 th	6 points	6 th	5 points
7 th	4 points	8 th	3 points
9 th	2 points	10 th	1 points

For a shooter to be eligible to claim points in the Bench Master series handicap section, they must first have a certified TRV average. Therefore, if it is their first competition they are not eligible to claim any handicap points, only scratch and category (Veteran and Junior) points.

A certified TRV average is gained once at least one 75 shot match score is added to the grading system. If only one match score is available, the shooters average is that score. If between 2 and 7 match scores are available, the shooters average is calculated from the average of all matches. If 8 or more match scores are available, the highest and lowest scores are removed and the shooters average will be the average of the remaining 6 scores.

Separating of Ties

In the event of a tie, the higher placing will be awarded to the competitor that has attended the greater number of competitions up to the allowed maximum of eight. In the event of a tie with two competitors who have attended the same number of competitions, the higher placing will be awarded to the competitor that has gained the greater number of higher placing's at any one or multiple

individual competitions throughout the season. For example Shooter A and Shooter B both have a total of 32 points, Shooter A scored 8, 9, 7, 8 and Shooter B scored 9, 10, 7, 6, in this case Shooter B would gain the higher placing due to the 10 points they gained in round 2. (TRV council Aug 2013)

Awards

Perpetual trophy for scratch

There shall be cloth badges 1st to 10th in both the scratch and handicap divisions.

Veteran, Junior, Sub Junior Gold, Silver & Bronze medals in scratch. All awards to be presented at the annual dinner.

4.6.4.3 Northcote Trophy – All Range Prone State Champion

Trophy for 1st – Perpetual Trophy

Organisation

All Range State Champion

In years where the 90m State Championship is held the Northcote trophy will be awarded to the competitor with the highest aggregate in the 20m, 50m and 90m State Championship matches in that competition year.

In years where there is no 90m State Championship the Northcote trophy will be awarded to the competitor with the highest aggregate in 20m and 50m State Championship and the Geelong 90m match in that competition year.

4.6.4.4 Bench Rest All Range State Champion

Trophy for 1st - Perpetual Trophy

Organisation

In years where the 90m State BR Championship is held the perpetual trophy will be awarded to the competitor with the highest aggregate in the 20m, 50m and 90m state BR Championship matches in that competition year.

In years where there is no 90m State BR Championship the trophy will be awarded to the competitor with the highest aggregate in 20m and 50m state BR Championship and the Geelong 90m BR match in that competition year.

4.6.5 Named Matches

4.6.5.1 Endurance Match

Organisation

The match is scheduled to be rotated around the state, in the main to the clubs on the **State Championships part 2** roster (the Endurance Match is to be held by a club in the year to previous to them holding the State Championships), however other clubs may apply for the match.

Wangaratta 2012

Hamilton 2013 Shepparton 2014 Geelong 2015 Stawell 2016

The minimum number of bays considered suitable to conduct the Endurance match is 20.

Where paper targets are in use backing targets shall be used. They shall be placed 40cm behind the competition target.

The Endurance match is normally scheduled in May.

If the rostered venue is unavailable for the proposed dates Council may reschedule the match or change venues.

The host club will be paid a range hire at the rate set by council.

Organisation of the match is the responsibility of the committee of the Judging Convenor, Outdoor Convenor and club representative.

Trophy Steward will provide the trophies and medallions.

Host Club to be requested to cater for the event.

Course of fire

50m Rifle Prone

Contested over one weekend with a course of fire of four by sixty shots.

50m Rifle Benchrest

Contested over one weekend with a course of fire of four by 75 shots.

Awards

Aggregate of the four competition series – Perpetual Trophy - Prone and Benchrest.

Cloth badges 1st to 10th

Aggregate of each of the four competition series for each of prone and benchrest:

Veteran, Junior, Sub Junior - Gold, Silver & Bronze medals.

Grades A,B,C,D Gold, Silver & Bronze.

(amended by TRV Council 2011)

4.6.5.2 **President's 1200 Air Rifle Postal**

Separate Matches for;

ISSF Air Rifle

Supported Air Rifle (TRA Supported Rifle Rules)

IPC

Organisation

Course of fire 2 x 60 shots

Any 10m Air Rifle target meeting ISSF or TRA specifications may be used.

Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target strip or printout.

This is a postal competition held over a six week period.

Awards

Perpetual Trophy for 1st.

Overall Badges 1st – 10th.

Veteran, Junior, Sub Junior - Gold, Silver & Bronze medals.

Grades A,B,C,D & E Gold, Silver & Bronze.

4.6.5.3 **New Zealand Goodwill Cup**

Organisation

This postal match is open to TRV member Club 20m handicap champions. Course of fire is four 10 shot 20m prone cards during a six week period.

Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target card. Scores are tallied using the macrae handicap system with the initial average for each shooter taken from state gradings.

Entry forms are sent to all Clubs via the Secretary in general mail out at least 6 weeks before the Competition is due to commence

Awards,

Perpetual Trophy for 1st.

Prize to first place only

4.6.5.4 Albert Harbert Junior Postal

Organisation

This postal match is open to all TRV junior members.

Course of fire is four 10 shot 20m prone cards during a six week period.

Stickers to be placed behind a competition aiming mark on the target card.

Scores are tallied using the macrae handicap system with the initial average for each shooter taken from state gradings.

Entry forms are sent to all Clubs via the Secretary in general mail out at least 6 weeks before the Competition is due to commence

Awards,

Perpetual Trophy for 1st.

Prize to first place only

4.6.5.5 **20m Prone State Champion of Champions** (refer 4.6.1.2)

Perpetual Trophy for 1st. Perpetual Trophy for 1st Junior

4.6.5.6 **20m Bench Rest State Champion of Champions** (refer 4.6.1.2)

Perpetual Trophy for 1st

4.6.5.7 Individual 50m Prone Handicap Competition (at Warren Potent)

(using up to date State grading and macrae handicap)

First each round - \$75.00

Medals - Best 4 out of 5 scores

Gold, Silver and Bronze for 3rd, 4th and 5th

4.6.5.8 Individual Air Rifle Handicap Competition (at Graham Lawler)

(using up to date State grading and macrae handicap)
First each round - \$75.00
Medals – Best 4 out of 5 scores
Gold, Silver and Bronze for 3rd, 4th and 5th

4.7 <u>Competitions run by TRV on behalf of other organisations or run by other</u> states

4.7.1 TRA Competitions

To be all conducted under the rules as supplied

- 4.7.1.1 National Championships
- 4.7.1.2 Graham Lawler Interstate Postal Air Rifle Series Badge for Team Members
- 4.7.1.3 Warren Potent Interstate Postal 50 metre Rifle Prone Series Badge for Team Members
- 4.7.1.4 Interstate Postal Junior 50 metre Rifle Prone Series
- 4.7.1.5 Interstate Postal 50 metre Rifle 3 Position Series Badge for Team Members
- 4.7.1.6 BSA Shield
- 4.7.2.7 National Postal Championships

4.7.2 Other Organisations

4.7.2.1 **BSA Cup**

To be conducted under the rules as supplied Badge for Team Members

4.7.2.2 Commonwealth Cities Match

To be conducted under the rules as supplied Badge for Team Members

4.7.2.3 Auckland Match

To be conducted under the rules as supplied

4.7.2.4 Australia Cup - AISL

To be conducted under the rules as supplied

4.8 TRV State Teams at Nationals

Badge for Team Members – shooters only, not reserves or officials

4.9 TRV Competitions History

State Championships

(4.6.1.1 & 4.6.1.2

History

One of the oldest events run by TRV. The state Championships have been held at various times of the year, including October, June and March. For many years the Championships were held at Geelong but in the late 1990's a decision was taken to rotate the event to ranges around the state. In 2005 the championships were split into ISSF and Non ISSF events and held at different times mainly due to the inclusion of benchrest matches.

20m Prone Champion of Club Champions (4.6.5.5)

History

Originally a 40 shot postal championship over 25 yards this match was one of the most prestigious on the calendar. Over the years entry was declining so the decision was taken to make it a shoulder to shoulder match held during the state championships

Northcote Trophy – All Range Prone State Champion (4.6.4.3)

History

The perpetual trophy was recently rediscovered and refurbished under the supervision of Martin Lee. The Council then formulated the new all range rules to award the trophy to the shooter with the highest aggregate in the state championships at 50m in the ISSF match and at 20m and in the Geelong club's 90m match at year end. The 2007 rules review changed this to make the 90m score the

state championship score at 90m when the non ISSF championships were held at Geelong.

Bench Rest All Range State Champion

History

The 2007 rules review change includes this trophy for the first time

Pennant Competition (4.6.2)

History

Originally only a 25 yard competition was held with varying team sizes and rounds of competition. For a number of years there was a champion grade which was awarded a much larger pennant flag and for a short time the city champions shot off against the country champions for a trophy but after 1986 the champion grade was discontinued and the current format began. In the late 1990's reduced number teams were discontinued and the general team size reduced from 8 to 6 with 5 counting scores for 20 metres.

During the 1980's the pennant was expanded to include the 50m prone and 10m air rifle disciplines and in the mid 2000's 50m benchrest commenced.

50m Rifle Benchrest (Captain's 1500) (4.6.3.4)

History

Commenced by the State Captain as a postal competition for Benchrest members.

Master Marksman Series (4.6.4.1)

History

The Master Marksman series was made up from the state championships, marathon and club prize shoots where the clubs had applied to join the series. Points were accrued by the top eight finishers in each match with the winner being the shooter who had the highest total for the year. A separate prize, the supplementary master marksman, was awarded on a 6,4,2,1 point scheme in each grade where one point was awarded for attending.

The supplementary prize was discontinued and replaced by a macrae handicap prize over the series and the points list extended to top ten in 2004. At that time there was also a change so that points could only be gained at 75% of the total MM shoots and the "Endurance" match was awarded a 50% points bonus.

In 2006 a restriction was placed to allow clubs only one shoot each year to be part of the series.

Bench Master Series (4.6.4.2)

History

Competition Commenced in 2006 after the 2005 Annual Congress requested that the Vice President devise a series similar to the master marksman series for benchrest shooters. After consultation with the Outdoor Convenor a proposal was presented to Council and adopted for 2006 (name changed from "Benchrest Sharpshooter" to "Bench Master" Council Nov 2013

Endurance Match (4.6.5.1)

History

The Endurance match, known until 2004 as the Marathon was introduced in the mid 1980's. It was a 50m Rifle Prone match contested over one weekend with a course of fire of four by sixty shots. In 2007 a Benchrest section was included for the first time.

President's 1200 Air Rifle Postal (4.6.5.2)

History

Sponsored initially by Peter Alway, then VSBARA president, in the mid 1980's to foster air rifle shooting and competition in the state of Victoria.

New Zealand Goodwill Cup (4.6.5.3)

History

A trophy was donated by a New Zealand group touring various venues in the state during 1969 to commemorate the tour.

Albert Harbert Junior Postal (4.6.5.4)

History

Named for a prominent member and association officer of the early 1950's. He was a member of the Camberwell club who promoted the development of junior shooters. The trophy was purchased with monies left to the association.