

HAWAII HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
25th ANNUAL AIR RIFLERY STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS
Neal S. Blaisdell Arena, Honolulu, Hawai'i
Tuesday, October 29, 2024

COMPETITION BULLETIN 2-24 REVISED

Governing rules for this Tournament are published in the 2022-2024 National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules, 14th Edition, except as modified for this Tournament. All competitors must obtain current CMP registration numbers. (References herein to specific rules herein are for convenience only)

SAFETY FIRST: An approved clear barrel indicator (CBI) must be used to clearly indicate that a rifle is clear and safe. All bolts and pump handles must remain open until instructed otherwise by the Chief Range Officer on the firing line. When transporting an uncased rifle, the CBI must be clearly visible, the muzzle must point up and held in a manner that assures that the muzzle is well above head level. Adequate eye protection is mandatory and must be worn by all persons on the firing line (competitors, coaches, and staff) while firing is in progress. Spectators nearest the firing line are strongly encouraged to wear eye protection. Hearing protection is optional.

Spectator Seating: The Blaisdell Arena requires the use of two firing lines that limits safe areas for public viewing. Therefore, spectator seating is allowed only in the upper level sections, 32, 1, and 2. Coaches are allowed to use a limited number of seats available on the main floor located just inside the main Arena entrance while they have athletes actively competing.

Coaching: Coaching is permitted only during the preparation, sighting or changeover stages as specified in Rule 5.2. During any Record Fire Stage, an athlete, while on the firing line, may only communicate with a Range Officer or Tournament official. Non-verbal coaching under Rule 5.2.2 is not allowed.

Compressed Air Tanks: All compressed air tanks are to be kept safe and must be firmly secured and attached to a firm structure that prevents any air tank from falling and causing damage to property and other persons. During the Tournament, no additional time will be given to refill compressed air. Please plan accordingly.

Check-in and Equipment Inspection: Each competitor shall check-in at the Stat office starting at 6:20 a.m. to receive his or her targets, competitor number and bib, point assignment, and Inspection Form. Equipment inspection begins at 6:30 a.m. Please fill in the information on the top portion of the Inspection Form before taking your place in the inspection line with your rifle and equipment. "Back-up" rifles or other equipment must also be inspected during this inspection period or may not be used in this match. A muzzle velocity check may be included in the equipment inspection. An inspection sticker will be issued when the inspection is complete. It is the competitor's responsibility to always keep the completed Inspection Form with the rifle. A Range Officer can request to view the Inspection Form at any time during the competition.

Team Rosters: Team rosters, including the use of an "alternate" team member from the submitted entry, if applicable, must be submitted to the Stat Office no later than 15 minutes prior to the first "Start" command of this Tournament. Team entries, or substitutions of team members, will not be allowed or accepted thereafter. All team members and/or alternates must be listed on the official HHSAA Tournament Roster submitted to HHSAA by October 21, 2024.

Loading and Closing the Action: You may load your rifle only when you are on the firing line and instructed to do so by the Chief Range Officer. Loading from the ground is permitted in the prone and keeling positions but loading in the standing position must be from a height not below the shooter's knee. Loading from the ground in standing is not permitted. Prior to closing the action in all positions, the muzzle of the rifle must be pointing below the top of the target frame. Trigger fingers must remain outside the trigger guard until you begin to aim at the target in preparation to release a propelling charge.

Target Identification: Targets must be identified and hung correctly. Penalties may be assessed, or the targets may not be scored resulting in a score of zero (0). It is the competitor's responsibility to make certain that the information on the target

stickers issued at check-in is accurate. No additional writing or marking of targets is allowed. Only targets issued by the Tournament may be used. The first target card, Stage 1, shall be placed on the left. The second target card, Stage 2, shall be placed on the right. **Sighting shots must be shot only on target card Stage 1 unless prior approval is given by a Range Officer to shoot sighters on target card Stage 2.** The target number matches your firing point number.

Scoring: The Orion scoring system will be used. (See Rule 8.5) **All competitors shall use flat-headed, .177 pellets.** Scores, as determined by the Orion scoring system and applicable tournament rules, are final.

Firing Line: The entire firing line must clearly be visible at all times during the competition. No equipment or any part of the air rifle may touch the ground beyond the firing line. A shooting kit, when in use in the standing or kneeling positions, or a shooting stand, when in use in the standing position, may be placed beyond the firing line. **Sighting scopes are allowed beyond the firing line.** (See Rule 4.7.3 and Rule 4.7.4)

Change in Target Retrieval Procedure: Competitors will NOT be allowed forward of the firing line to review their targets prior to collection by the Range Staff. After each record fire stage, competitors will be instructed to stand to the rear of their firing point while targets are retrieved. After targets are collected, competitors will be allowed forward to hang their targets for the next firing stage.

JROTC Competition: To qualify for the JROTC awards, cadets must meet the eligibility criteria of Rule 3.0. All cadets from all JROTC programs are eligible for this award. While not a part of the HHSAA Air Rifle State Championships, scores from the HHSAA Air Rifle State Championship Tournament shall be used to determine the winner of the JROTC awards. All JROTC entries must be submitted to the Stat Office no later than 15 minutes prior to the first "Start" command of this Tournament.

Relays Plus Finals: For this year's Tournament, there will be two relays of 60 shooters each and two Final relays.

Relay 1	60 Girls
Relay 2	60 Boys
Relay 3	Girls' Final
Relay 4	Boys' Final

FINALS COMPETITION

Rule 10.0 and 10.3 shall govern the Finals Competition, except as modified for this Tournament. Rule 10.1.1.a Final Round scores shall be added to the three-position score to determine the individual Tournament winners.

1. The top eight (8) shooters qualify to advance to the Finals Round. The course of fire is ten (10) shots in the standing position, fired singularly, one at a time.
2. Competitors shall be assigned firing points in accordance with Rule 10.3.
3. Shooters are allowed fifty (50) seconds to fire each shot.
4. Competitors may only charge and load a pellet upon the order of the Chief Range Officer. This shall include the pumping or charging of a rifle if required or so equipped. Dry firing is not allowed during Finals. Rule 10.2.9
5. In the event of a malfunction that is determined to not be the fault of the shooter, the malfunction must be repaired or the rifle must be replaced within one (1) minute. An additional fifty (50) seconds is allotted to the shooter to execute the malfunctioned shot. No additional time shall be awarded for sighting shots except in the case where the shooter is moved to another target. In this case, a maximum of two (2) minutes for sighting shots is allowed. If the malfunction or repair is not remedied or if the malfunctioned rifle is not replaced within one (1) minute, the competitor shall withdraw from the finals. Rule 10.2.9.
6. The combined three-position score and the Finals score are added together to determine the Tournament individual winners.
7. During the Finals, team members, coaches, parents, and spectators are encouraged to applaud and cheer during the Finals except during the fifty (50) seconds while competitors are actually shooting (between the Chief Range Officer's commands to "Start" and "Stop"). Rule 10.2.7.