

SOUTH WEST ENGLAND FIELD TARGET ASSOCIATION

Field Target Class – January 2026 Onwards

(Regional Rules & Guidance Notes)

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Note: If the FT course includes firing points and / or targets that are also used by the HFT course, and the shooter intends to shoot both FT and HFT, then the HFT course must be shot first.

1) AIRGUNS

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

2) SIGHTS

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

3) AMMUNITION

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

4) CLASSES

See SWEFTA's Shooting and Grading Rules (<https://www.swefta.org.uk/documents/>)

Newcomers to SWEFTA must be cleared by an official of their own club before they can take part in a competition.

5) ENTRY TIMES

No league shoots shall commence before 09.30am. It is intended that shoots will run on a shotgun start basis, with pairs commencing at each lane simultaneously. Late arrivals will be fed in as circumstances permit. Priority will be given to those pairs already on the course.

Last entry into any competition will be accepted at 12.30 noon. Scorecards must be submitted back to the organisers by 16.00pm to be considered valid for the day's competition. Any cards submitted after that time will be void.

6) RANGE OFFICERS & CHIEF MARSHAL

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

7) TARGETS

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

See the Guidance Notes BFTA Course Setting (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

8) COURSE OF FIRE

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

9) MARSHALLING & PAIRS

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

See the BFTA Marshalling System (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

New shooters or shooters without a grade must partner a shooter who has a grade or an Open or Piston shooter with a minimum of 3 league shoots experience. The chief marshal will find a suitable partner if required.

Shooters who do not have a pre-arranged partner or need an experienced shooter for the event should be willing for the Competition Secretary, Chief Marshal or the Stats. Office on the day to allocate a partner.

Failure to comply with this rule will result in disqualification.

10) SCORING

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

See SWEFTA's Shooting and Grading Rules (<https://www.swefta.org.uk/documents/>)

11) SHOOTING

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

See the BFTA Open Class Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

See the BFTA Kneeling Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

12) TIMING

See The BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

A further minute will be added for each additional target in a lane. (e.g. 4 minutes for a lane with 3 targets.)

12a) DELAYING THE SHOOT

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

13) PENALTIES

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

14) LEAVING THE FIRING LINE

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

15) RANGE CONDUCT

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

16) INSURANCE & RULES

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)

17) INTOXICATING SUBSTANCES

See the BFTA Main Shoot Rules (<https://www.thebfta.net/news/competition-rules/>)