

SWEFTA Competitions

Scoring and Grading in SWEFTA – 2024 season update

1. Marking the cards

Competitors will mark their shooting partner's card, and vice versa, unless there is an independent marker marking both cards.

Every Field Target knocked down counts as a hit and will be marked X on the card. A hit on the faceplate counts as a miss and will be marked as O on the card.

Every Hunter Field Target knocked down counts as a kill and will be scored as 2 on the card. A strike on the faceplate counts as a hit and will be marked as 1 on the card. A total miss of the silhouette will be scored O.

Changes to the card and mistakes rectified must remain visible and must be initialled by a third person, not the shooting partner. This can be a marshal or someone on the next lane.

Cards must be handed in before 16.30 on the day of the shoot. Cards not handed in will be scored with 0.

Cards that show signs of alteration not properly amended as in 1.1.3 above will be treated as not handed in.

2. Partners

No restrictions or rules governing partners exist at this time.

3. Scoring

3.1.1. All scores at League shoots will be shown as a percentage of the top score achieved on the day.

3.1.2. HFT only. Some targets will be defined by the host club as eliminators; in the event of tied scores the competitor with the greater number of eliminators will be ranked the higher. If the scores still remain tied the first miss starting target 1 will define the highest score. However, the tied score rules don't affect the shooters score and percentages remain as scored.

3.1.3. competitor's scores (as percentages) will accumulate through the league season.

3.1.4. Your best six scores will count towards grading position.

3.1.5. Your best scores will count towards your league position. The number of dropped scores will be 25% of the total number of competitions in that season rounded up or down to a complete number by the Scores Secretary.

4. Shooting two rounds

4.1.1. Competitors can shoot a course twice, once with a PCP and once with a piston rifle. Only the first round can be accepted for grading and counting towards their club score; the card must be marked accordingly and the stats office informed so that the start sheet can also be marked.

5. Grading

5.1.1. FT shooters are graded into four grades, AA, A, B and C. HFT shooters are graded into three grades, AA, A and B.

5.1.2. New shooters will initially be classified as Ungraded until they have completed three league shoots. Once three league shoots are complete their scores will be assessed by the Scores and Grading secretary and the Competition secretary, and a grade confirmed for the remainder of the season. Whatever scores they have achieved will migrate with them to their allocated grade.

5.1.3. New shooters who have not done three shoots by the end of the season will have those probationary scores carried over to the next season.

5.1.4. Shooters arriving in the SWEFTA region with an existing grade from either their previous region or a national BFTA grade will go into that grade. If they have different grades locally and nationally then the higher grade takes priority and they will be placed into that grade. They will not be regraded after their first three shoots.

5.1.5. Shooters who have previously shot in the SWEFTA region and been absent for more than 1 year from their last recorded competition shall be classified as Ungraded and be regraded after their first three shoots.

5.1.6. All organised shoots, shot to SWEFTA/BFTA rules will count towards a rolling 12 grading system. All shooters will be assessed for regrading at the end of the season, after the Trophy Shoot. Shooters who have not completed three shoots in the current season will remain in their previous grade.

5.1.7. Depending on the average score they will be placed in the relevant grade for the next season.

5.1.8. The break points between grades will be determined by the Scores Secretary at the end of the year.

5.1.9. Shooters can elect to shoot in a higher grade, and will remain in that grade for the rest of the season.

6. Club championship

6.1. FT competition.

6.1.1. The FT scores at each league shoot will be rank ordered within club. The top three scores from each club will be totalled.

6.1.2. Actual scores are used, not percentages.

6.1.3. After each round, the club totals will accumulate.

6.1.4. The FT championship will be awarded to the club with the highest accumulated number of targets knocked down from their best eight rounds.

6.2. Hunter competition.

6.2.1. The adjusted scores will be rank ordered within club. The top three scores from each club will be totalled.

6.2.2. Actual scores are used, not percentages.

6.2.3. After each round, the club totals will accumulate.

6.2.4. The Hunter championship will be awarded to the club with the highest number of points from their best eight rounds.

7. Information

7.1.1. After each round of the league the scores secretary will distribute the day's scores and the league and club positions by email to nominated club contacts and to any other shooter wishing to be included on the circulation list.

7.1.2. Copies also go to the SWEFTA webmaster for uploading to the website.

8. SWEFTA Open champion

8.1.1. This will be awarded to the shooter with the highest gross number of targets knocked down during the course of the Summer league season, i.e., not percentages.

9. SWEFTA Showdown

9.1.1. Places in the Showdown will be awarded to the top four scorers at each of the first eight rounds of the league, subject to that person not having already qualified at an earlier round.

9.1.2. Shooters not wishing to take part in this event should inform the scores secretary or competition secretary at the start of the season.

9.1.3. Reserves will be allocated after the eighth round to make up any vacant places,

based upon the next ranked score from the shoot where the vacancy occurs.

9.1.4. A separate rule sheet exists for the Showdown competition.

10. Trophies

10.1.1. Trophies will be awarded to the first, second and third placed shooters in each of the grades, plus the piston class, provided that no trophy will be awarded to a shooter who has taken part in fewer than six shoots during the Summer season.

10.1.2. Trophies will also go the winner of the Showdown and the associated Plate competition.

10.1.3. The Lee Clarke Memorial Trophy will be awarded to the most improved shooter during the current season, as judged by the competition secretary and the scores secretary.

10.1.4. There will be no Trophies awarded during the Winter season.