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SOUTH AFRICAN METALLIC SILHOUETTE SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

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SAMSSA In-House rules

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Signed:

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SAMSSA Chairman



1. SAMSSA Sanctioned matches

SAMSSA sanctioned matches will be run according to the latest approved and published IMSSU/SAMSSA rules.

The results of these championships (only) are used in combination with trials to select the Protea team members for international participation.

The following matches are currently sanctioned by SAMSSA:

Transvaal Classic Open Championship
Gauteng Open Championship
Krokodilspruit Classic Open Championship
Free State Open Championship
Free State Classic Open Championship
BMSSC Classic Open Championship
Steenbok Classic Open Championship
Eastern Province Open Championship
Eastern Province Classic Open Championship
Western Province Open Championship
Western Province Classic Open Championship
Atlantis Classic Open Championship
SA National Championship/Africa championship

Dates for the above championships are as decided at the SAMSSA AGM with the SA National Championships having first priority, all open provincial championships second priority and all classic championships last priority. To give competitors fair chance to compete in all these championships, dates may not overlap.

As per the decision taken at the 2009 AGM, all affiliated clubs are entitled to one SAMSSA sanctioned match per year. All competition dates of sanctioned matches are to be submitted to SAMSSA prior to the SAMSSA AGM for approval. This will ensure that competitions do not overlap.

SAMSSA sanctioned matches are advertised via the secretariat of the individual provinces (except for direct members) as well as the official SAMSSA website www.samssa.org.za. The members enter these matches via the secretary of each provincial body, who will forward the entries to the hosting body (i.e. Provincial secretary for provincial championship and SAMSSA for National championship). Entries for sanctioned matches hosted by clubs may be submitted directly to the hosting club.

The scores attained in any sanctioned match will only be recorded by SAMSSA if the shooter is a fully paid-up member of SAMSSA. The scores submitted for shooters who are not fully paid-up members will not be used toward accreditation for dedicated status.

SAMSSA may perform drug testing at any of the SAMSSA sanctioned matches. All drug testing will be performed in line with the requirements of SASCOC.

It is not required for an entrant to have a classification when entering for any of the SAMSSA sanctioned championships. The individual will be classified according the first score that he/she shot in a particular event. However, the shooter must be familiar with IMSSU and SAMSSA rules and general range safety practices. It is the obligation of the secretariat of each province (through whom the shooter enters a competition) to notify the hosting organization that the shooter is competent to participate in a SAMSSA sanctioned match.

2. Important General Range Rules





- 2.1. No Club, range officer or range owner can be held accountable for any accidents, except where negligence is proven.
- 2.2. The chief range officer is in total control of the range.
- 2.3. No firearm may be removed from its bag or case, except at the shooting point and with the permission of the chief range officer.
- 2.4. Keep all firearms on the firing line pointed down the range at all times.
- 2.5. The range officer is entitled to declare a firearm unsafe and to prohibit the use thereof.
- 2.6. Under no circumstances should a loaded firearm be transported to or from the range or shooting points.
- 2.7. When a range has been closed, nobody is allowed to go beyond the shooting line. A red flag or light should indicate that a range is closed.
- 2.8. When a range has been declared safe (i.e. open), nobody is allowed to handle any firearms under any circumstance. A green light or flag should indicate that the range is safe.
- 2.9. Any shooters under the age of 21 will only be allowed to shoot with the permission of the range officer and even then only under the direct supervision of a responsible senior, unless the shooter has been awarded competency by SAPS.
- 2.10. No ammunition that causes damage to the targets may be used. The range officer will have the right to prohibit the use of certain bullets, should they find that it causes damage to the targets (except in instances where the targets are not of the correct steel of thickness). The following general guidelines apply (but not limited to):
 - a. Centre fire rifles 6mm and up should preferably be used on Big Bore Targets at a minimum distance of 200m.
 - b. Supersonic .22 ammunition (stingers, blitzer etc.) is not allowed on the Small Bore Rifle or Handgun targets.
 - c. Only air rifle no.1 pellets may be used on air rifle targets.
- 2.11. The hosting organization will have the right to impose penalties on shooters who damage targets.
- 2.12. Shooters may never practice alone.
- 2.13. Shooters must behave at all times on the range. Foul language and/or insolent behaviour will not be tolerated.
- 2.14. Any complaints should be submitted in writing to a committee member or the range officer. The letter should indicate your name in block letters, be dated and signed.
- 2.15. Vehicles and possessions are brought to the range at own risk.
- 2.16. No alcohol or drugs may be consumed during practice or competition. If any such behaviour is noticed, it must be reported to the range officer, who must remove the shooter from the firing point.
- 2.17. No shooter may use the title Metallic Silhouette Shooting if he/she does not keep to the rules of the sport.
- 2.18. The firearm license holder must be present when other competitors are using his or her firearms to comply with firearms regulations.



3. *Special rules for junior competitors*

A: Junior u/9

It is the intention to introduce young shooters to the sport, aged six (6) to under 9 (year of 6th and 9th birthdays included).

The rules for their events are exactly the same as for the relevant IMSSU/SAMSSA event, except that the shooter uses a single long bag placed on a table such as being used for sighting in by hunters. Furthermore, due to the very young age of the shooters, it is extremely important from a safety perspective that the child is under direct adult supervision and guidance. It is a prerequisite that the child be deemed a “safe” shooter and the range officer will have the right to refuse the participation if such a child should pose a safety risk to other shooters.

A u/9 stand normally comprises of a table on which a single long shooting bag is placed. Safety is paramount and care should be taken that the rifle cannot “slip off” the rest when the competitor is not shooting.

Please note that these events are, in the spirit of Metallic Silhouette Shooting, standing events and that the child will not be allowed to have any support other than the rifle resting on the rest. **Not any part of the body is allowed to come into contact with the rest or table/stand, inclusive of both hands.**

A child in this age group can enter as a u/14, but then only as an u/14. He or she cannot enter a specific competition as an u/14 for some events and as an u/9 in other events. It is allowed that a U/9 can participate as an u/14 in one competition and as an U/9 at the next. U/9 entrants are only eligible for the u/9 class Medals.

B: Junior u/14

It is the intention to introduce young shooters to the sport, aged under 10 to under 14 (year of 10th and 14th birthdays included).

The rules for these events are exactly the same as for the relevant IMSSU or SAMSSA event, except that the shooter uses the single rest as an aid in the rifle events. Furthermore, due to the very young age of the shooters, it is extremely important from a safety perspective that the child is under direct adult supervision and guidance. It is a prerequisite that the child be deemed a “safe” shooter and the range officer will have the right to refuse the participation if such a child should pose a safety risk to other shooters.

A u/14 stand normally comprises of a telescopic stand on which an 8cm wide support is mounted. The stand used must be such that the event can be shot standing. A maximum of 83mm may be in contact with the rifle. The support should be of such nature that it does not support the rifle on the sides. The normal hunting tripod is not allowed due to the fact it gives support on the side of the rifle. **For the Sport Handgun events the stand may be used to support the hand(s). The shooter should not use the stand to support the barrel or frame.**

Please note that the rifle events are, in the spirit of Metallic Silhouette Shooting, standing events and that the child will not be allowed to have any support other than the rifle resting on the rest. **Not any part of the body is allowed to come into contact with the rest or stand, inclusive of both hands.**

A child in this age group can enter as an u/20, but then only as an u/20. An u/14 cannot enter a specific as a u/14 for some events and as an u/20 in other events. It is allowed that a U/14 can participate as an u/20 in one competition and as an U/14 at the next. U/14 entrants are only eligible for the u/14 Class Medals.



C: Junior u/20

It is the intention for shooters from under 15 to under 20 to participate in silhouette shooting, applying the same rules relevant to seniors participants (year of 15th and 20th birthdays included).

The rules for these events are exactly the same as for the relevant IMSSU or SAMSSA events. However, it is extremely important from a safety perspective that the competitor is under direct adult supervision, unless the competitor has obtained competency certificated from SAPS in which case the shooter may participated without adult supervision. It is a prerequisite that the competitor be deemed a “safe” shooter and the range officer will have the right to refuse the participation of such a competitor should he/she pose a safety risk to other shooters.

As per IMSSU decision at the 2016 General Assembly a u/20 can enter the competition as a u/20 for some events and as a Senior in other events. U/20 entrants are eligible for the u/20 Class Medals and Overall medals.

4. SAMSSA sanctioned events

An event will be deemed a sanctioned event if the details of such an event are included in the in-house rules. Any hosting organisation has the option to host other events, but those scores will not be kept by SAMSSA for record purposes. Should a general need arise to include a specific item to the sanctioned event list, such proposal (inclusive of a technical specification) must be done in writing and submitted to the SAMSSA secretariat. The SAMSSA secretariat will circulate the document to the SAMSSA Executive and the SAMSSA councillors for evaluation and authorisation. Once the specific item has been accepted, it will be included in the in-house rules, after which SAMSSA database will make provision for keeping relevant statistics as from the ensuing championship.

SAMSSA categorise shooters in age classes as follows:

Junior u/9	Any shooter that turns 6 until the year he/she turns 9	*
Junior u/14	any shooter that turns 10 until the year he/she turns 14	
Junior u/20	any shooter that turns 15 until the year he/she turns 20	
Senior	any shooter that turns 22 until the year he/she turns 54	
Veteran	any shooter that turns 55	

Note: All shooters U/20 can only participate with the consent of the range officer and under the supervision of a responsible adult.

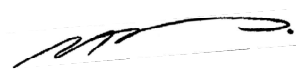
The following are approved SAMSSA events:

Big Bore Handgun

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
1	Big Bore Handgun Revolver				X
2	Big Bore Handgun Production				X
3	Big Bore Handgun Standing				X
4	Big Bore Handgun Unlimited				X

Small Bore Handgun

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
5	Small Bore Handgun Revolver			X	X
6	Small Bore Handgun Production		X	X	X
7	Small Bore Handgun Standing			X	X
8	Small Bore Handgun Unlimited			X	X





Field Pistol

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
9	Field Pistol Production				X
10	Field Pistol Production Any Sights				X

Big Bore Rifle

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
11	Big Bore Rifle Hunting				X
12	Big Bore Rifle Silhouette				X

Big Bore Rifle events are only 40-shots each in SA, despite some countries hosting it as 80-shot events

Small Bore Rifle

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
13	Small Bore Rifle Light 1	X	X	X	X
14	Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1	X	X	X	X
15*	Small Bore Rifle Light 2			X	X
16*	Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 2			X	X
20	Small Bore Rifle Light Open Sights	X	X	X	X
21	Small Bore Rifle Silhouette Open Sights	X	X	X	X

* *Please note the items 15 & 16 are there to complete the 80-shot events that are current practice for Small Bore Rifle. The hosting organization has the option of including events 15 and 16 except for National Trials and National Championships where all four events will be competed in.*

Air Guns

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
25	Production Air Pistol Standing		X	X	X
26	Air Pistol Freestyle		X	X	X
27	Air Rifle Open Sights	X	X	X	X
28	Production Air Rifle Standing	X	X	X	X
29	Air Sport Handgun		X	X	X

Sport Handgun

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
30	Big Bore Sport Handgun Production				X
31	Small Bore Sport Handgun Production			X	X
32	Big Bore Sport Handgun Unlimited				X
33	Small Bore Sport Handgun Unlimited		X	X	X

Varmint

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
40	Varmint Handgun Any Sights				X
41	Varmint Rifle Any Sights		X	X	X
42*	Varmint Magnum Rifle Any Sights				X

* *Please note that the hosting organisation will have the choice of hosting event 42: Varmint Magnum Rifle Any Sights at the National Championship. This event is not a compulsory event for Nationals.*

Unlimited Rifle Open Sights

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
45	Big Bore Rifle Unlimited Open Sights				X
46	Lever Action Rifle Unlimited Open Sights				X
48	Small Bore Rifle Unlimited Open Sights Freestyle		X	X	X
49	Big Bore Rifle Unlimited Freestyle				X

Semi-Auto

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
50	Big Bore Rifle Semi-Auto Any Sights				X
51	Varmint Rifle Semi-Auto Any Sights				X
52	Small Bore Rifle Semi-Auto Any Sights				X





Black Powder

Event No	Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
55	Black Powder Rifle Open Sights				X
56	Black Powder Rifle Any Sights				X

5. SAMSSA aggregates

The following aggregate results are derived from the above events:

Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
Big Bore Handgun Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1: Big Bore Handgun Revolver 2: Big Bore Handgun Production 3: Big Bore Handgun Standing 4: Big Bore Handgun Unlimited 				X
Small Bore Handgun Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5: Small Bore Handgun Revolver 6: Small Bore Handgun Production 7: Small Bore Handgun Standing 8: Small Bore Handgun Unlimited 			X	X
Field Pistol Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9: Field Pistol Production 10: Field Pistol Production Any Sights 				X
Handgun Standing Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3: Big Bore Handgun Standing 7: Small Bore Handgun Standing 9: Field Pistol Production 10: Field Pistol Production Any Sights 				X
Big Bore Rifle Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11: Big Bore Rifle Hunting 12: Big Bore Rifle Silhouette 				X
Small Bore 2 Rifle Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13: Small Bore Rifle Light 1 14: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1 	X	X	X	X
Small Bore 4 Rifle Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13: Small Bore Rifle Light 1 14: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1 15: Small Bore Rifle Light 2 16: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 2 			X	X
Small Bore 2 Rifle Open Sights Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 20: Small Bore Rifle Light Open Sights 21: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette Open Sights 	X	X	X	X
Small Bore 4 Rifle Any Sights Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13: Small Bore Rifle Light 1 14: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1 20: Small Bore Rifle Light Open Sights 21: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette Open Sights 	X	X	X	X
4 Rifle Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11: Big Bore Rifle Hunting 12: Big Bore Rifle Silhouette 13: Small Bore Rifle Light 1 14: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1 				X



Sport Handgun Aggregate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30: Big Bore Sport Handgun Production • 31: Small Bore Sport Handgun Production • 32: Big Bore Sport Handgun Unlimited • 33: Small Bore Sport Handgun Unlimited 				X
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6. Victor/Victrix ludorum

The following victor/victrix ludorum are derived using the victor ludorum formula:

Senior Victor Ludorum (events 1-21 & 25 & 28)

Senior Victrix Ludorum (events 1-21 & 25 & 28)

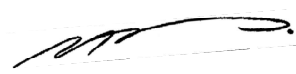
Veteran Victor Ludorum (events 1-21 & 25 & 28)

Junior Victor Ludorum (events 5-8 & 13-14 & 20-21 & 25 & 28)

7. Team competition

SAMSSA promotes team competitions and will host the following at the National Championship.

Description	Jnr u/9	Jnr u/14	Jnr U/20	Senior/Veteran
Big Bore Handgun Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1: Big Bore Handgun Revolver • 2: Big Bore Handgun Production • 3: Big Bore Handgun Standing • 4: Big Bore Handgun Unlimited 				X
Small Bore Handgun Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5: Small Bore Handgun Revolver • 6: Small Bore Handgun Production • 7: Small Bore Handgun Standing • 8: Small Bore Handgun Unlimited 			X	X
Field Pistol Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9: Field Pistol Production • 10: Field Pistol Production Any Sights 				X
Handgun Standing Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3: Big Bore Handgun Standing • 7: Small Bore Handgun Standing • 9: Field Pistol Production • 10: Field Pistol Production Any Sights 				X
Big Bore Rifle Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11: Big Bore Rifle Hunting • 12: Big Bore Rifle Silhouette 				X
Small Bore 2 Rifle Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13: Small Bore Rifle Light 1 • 14: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1 		X	X	X
Small Bore 4 Rifle Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13: Small Bore Rifle Light 1 • 14: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1 • 15: Small Bore Rifle Light 2 • 16: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 2 			X	X
Small Bore 2 Rifle Open Sights Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 20: Small Bore Rifle Light Open Sights • 21: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette Open Sights 		X	X	X
Small Bore 4 Rifle Any Sights Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13: Small Bore Rifle Light 1 • 14: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1 • 20: Small Bore Rifle Light Open Sights • 21: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette Open Sights 		X	X	X





4 Rifle Aggregate Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11: Big Bore Rifle Hunting • 12: Big Bore Rifle Silhouette • 13: Small Bore Rifle Light 1 • 14: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette 1 				X
SAMSSA 8 Event Team <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30: Big Bore Sport Handgun Production • 31: Small Bore Sport Handgun Production • 33: Small Bore Sport Handgun Unlimited • 41: Varmint Rifle Any Sights • 45: Big Bore Rifle Unlimited Open Sights • 46: Lever Action Rifle Unlimited Open Sights • 48" Small Bore Rifle Unlimited Open Sights 				X
SAMSSA Junior Air Pistol Challenge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25: Production Air Pistol Standing 			X	
SAMSSA Junior Air Rifle Challenge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28: Production Air Rifle Standing 			X	

A team will generally consist of 3 competitors except for the SAMSSA fun event competition.

Special rules for SAMSSA 8 Event Team Competition

The purpose of this team event is to use it as an initiative to develop the sport. This competition takes place at the annual SAMSSA National Championships and is aimed at increasing the scope to award provincial colours to the competitors not necessarily interested in competing in the international events. The teams will consist of 3-8 competitors that will compete in the events detailed in the table above.

No one competitor may enter for more than 3 events for this competition. It is preferred that shooters eligible for invitation to the National Trials, not be part of this team and will only be included if there is no one else available. The entries for this competition will indicate which shooter will compete in which event. The scores for these events will then be totalled and the 3-8 person team with the highest score will be the winner.

Special rules for SAMSSA Junior Air Pistol and Air Rifle Challenge

A SASSF grant in 2011 has made it possible for SAMSSA to acquire Air Pistols and Air Rifles which is made available to affiliated provinces for junior development. The Junior Air Pistol and Air Rifle Challenge are therefore introduced at the SA Nationals for provincial development teams to compete against each other.

The two best scores in each event will be totalled. This arrangement allows a competitor to specialize in any one of the events. The team with the highest score will be the winner. Provincial Associations are encouraged to consider development colours for these teams and also to invite development teams to compete in similar competitions at their respective open championships.

8. SAMSSA Sanctioned Match event results – Verification and acceptance procedures

The following administrative rules will be applied for all scores recorded at SAMSSA sanctioned matches:

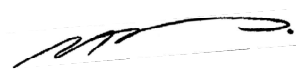
- 8.1. The final individual event results will be published after completion of the championships and announced that it is available for verification.
- 8.2. Competitors will have one hour after the announcement is made to verify their individual event scores, classification and age group division. Any inconsistencies need to be reported by way of a written note to the match director, announcer or championship statistician. After the hour allowed for verification has expired, all unquestioned individual event scores, classification and age group divisions will be accepted as final.



- 8.3. Where not dependant on the information in the aforementioned paragraph, derived results (e.g. shoot-off results, aggregates, team results, victor ludorum results, etc.) may be queried up to half an hour before the advertised starting time of the prize-giving, after which it is accepted as final.
- 8.4. SAMSSA supplies the hosting organisation with a database to run the competition and it includes the paid up status of the SAMSSA members. Should the paid up status of a member be contested, a copy of the proof of payment must accompany the submitted competition results. Only scores of members paid up during the competition will be recorded in the SAMSSA database. Scores of members submitting membership payment after the last day of the competition will not be accepted.
- 8.5. For members joining during or just before the competition and a SAMSSA membership number was not issued in time for the competition, copies of the application for membership and proof of payment must accompany the results when submitted. SAMSSA will also not accept scores for which the identity number, or alternatively the date of birth and gender, of a competitor is not known.

9. IMSSU and SAMSSA event classifications

<p>1 BBHG Revolver I Class: 31-40 A Class: 21-30 B Class: 0-20</p>	<p>2 BBHG Production I Class: 31-40 A Class: 21-30 B Class: 0-20</p>	<p>3 BBHG Standing I Class: 23-40 A Class: 11-23 B Class: 0-10</p>	<p>4 BBHG Unlimited I Class: 31-40 A Class: 21-30 B Class: 0-20</p>
<p>5 SBHG Revolver I Class: 31-40 A Class: 21-30 B Class: 0-20</p>	<p>6 SBHG Production I Class: 31-40 A Class: 21-30 B Class: 0-20</p>	<p>7 SBHG Standing I Class: 23-40 A Class: 11-23 B Class: 0-10</p>	<p>8 SBHG Unlimited I Class: 31-40 A Class: 21-30 B Class: 0-20</p>
<p>9 FP Production I Class: 23-40 A Class: 11-23 B Class: 0-10</p>	<p>10 FP Prod. Any Sights I Class: 23-40 A Class: 11-23 B Class: 0-10</p>	<p>11 BBR Hunting I Class: 29-40 M Class: 22-28 A Class: 14-21 B Class: 0-13</p>	<p>12 BBR Silhouette I Class: 32-40 M Class: 24-31 A Class: 16-23 B Class: 0-15</p>
<p>13 SBR Light (1st try) I Class: 32-40 M Class: 25-31 A Class: 18-24 B Class: 0-17</p>	<p>14 SBR Silhouette (1st try) I Class: 34-40 M Class: 27-33 A Class: 20-26 B Class: 0-19</p>	<p>15 SBR Light (2nd try) I Class: 32-40 M Class: 25-31 A Class: 18-24 B Class: 0-17</p>	<p>16 SBR Silhouette (2nd try) I Class: 34-40 M Class: 27-33 A Class: 20-26 B Class: 0-19</p>
<p>20 SBR Light Open Sights I Class: 31-40 M Class: 25-30 A Class: 18-24 B Class: 0-17</p>	<p>21 SBR Silhouette Open Sights I Class: 31-40 M Class: 25-30 A Class: 18-24 B Class: 0-17</p>	<p>25 Production Air Pistol Standing No Classes</p>	<p>26 Air Pistol Freestyle No Classes</p>
<p>27 Air Rifle Open Sight No Classes</p>	<p>28 Production Air Rifle Standing I Class: 32-40 M Class: 25-31 A Class: 18-24 B Class: 0-17</p>	<p>29 Air Sport Handgun No Classes</p>	<p>30 BB Sport Handgun Production I Class: 23-40 A Class: 11-22 B Class: 0-10</p>
<p>31 SB Sport Handgun Production I Class: 23-40 A Class: 11-22 B Class: 0-10</p>	<p>32 BB Sport Handgun Unlimited No Classes</p>	<p>33 SB Sport Handgun Unlimited No Classes</p>	<p>40 Varmint Handgun Any Sights No Classes</p>





<p>41 Varmint Rifle Any Sights <i>I Class: 29-40</i> <i>M Class: 22-28</i> <i>A Class: 14-21</i> <i>B Class: 0-13</i></p>	<p>42 Varmint Magnum Rifle Any Sights <i>No Classes</i></p>	<p>45 BBR Open Sight <i>No Classes</i></p>	<p>46 Lever Action Unlimited Rifle Open Sights <i>No classes</i></p>
<p>48 SBR Unl Open Sights Freestyle <i>I Class: 31-40</i> <i>M Class: 25-30</i> <i>A Class: 18-24</i> <i>B Class: 0-17</i></p>	<p>49 Big Bore Rifle Unlimited Freestyle <i>No Classes</i></p>	<p>50 BBR Semi-Auto Any Sights <i>No Classes</i></p>	<p>51 VR Semi-Auto Any Sights <i>No Classes</i></p>
<p>52 SBR Semi-Auto Any Sights <i>No Classes</i></p>	<p>55 Black Powder Rifle Open Sights <i>No Classes</i></p>	<p>56 Black Powder Rifle Any Sights <i>No Classes</i></p>	

10. Target specifications

Big Bore Handgun	As per IMSSU specification
Small Bore Handgun	As per IMSSU specification
Field Pistol	As per IMSSU specification
Big Bore Rifle	As per IMSSU specification
Small Bore Rifle	As per IMSSU specification
Air Pistol	As per IMSSU specification
Air Rifle	As per IMSSU specification
Air Sport Handgun	Targets shall be 1/5 scale of "full size" silhouettes as per official IMSSU templates (the same size as IMSSU Small Bore Rifle targets) using steel of a thickness of 4mm for chickens and pigs, and 3mm for turkeys and rams. The feet shall be 20mmx50mm for chickens, pigs and turkeys and 20mmx100mm for rams.
Small Bore Sport Handgun	Targets shall be 3/8 scale of "full size" silhouettes as per official IMSSU templates (the same size as IMSSU Small Bore Handgun targets) using steel of a thickness of 6mm.
Big Bore Sport Handgun	Targets shall be 3/8 scale of "full size" silhouettes as per official IMSSU templates (the same size as IMSSU Small Bore Handgun targets) using steel of a thickness of 10-12mm for chickens and pigs and 8-10mm for turkeys and rams
Varmint Handgun	Targets shall be 1/2 scale of "full size" silhouettes as per official IMSSU templates (the same size as IMSSU Field Pistol target) using steel of a thickness of 10-12mm
Varmint Rifle	Targets shall be 1/2 scale of "full size" silhouettes as per official IMSSU templates (the same size as IMSSU Field Pistol target) using steel of a thickness of 10-12mm
Varmint Magnum Rifle	Targets shall be 1/2 scale of "full size" silhouettes as per official IMSSU templates (the same size as IMSSU Field Pistol target) using steel of a thickness of 20mm VRN500 steel. The feet will be 40mm wide x 100mm long x 12mm thick.



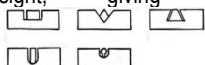
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Event 20: Small Bore Rifle Light Open Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- The IMSSU rules applicable to the Small Bore Rifle Light event, will apply.
- The only sight apparatus allowed for these categories are a notched leaf type rear sight associated to a solid front sight, giving a sight picture similar to the following drawings:



- No optical devices will be allowed.
- Aftermarket sights are allowed

Targets

The IMSSU defined Small Bore Handgun targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	25 meters
Pigs	-	50 meters
Turkeys	-	75 meters
Rams	-	100 meters

Classifications: (Same as SBR Light)

INT	32 - 40
Master:	25 - 31
Class A:	18 - 24
Class B:	0 - 17

Event 21: Small Bore Rifle Silhouette Open Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- The IMSSU rules applicable to the Small Bore Rifle Silhouette event, will apply.
- Any open or aperture sights will be allowed.
- No optical devices will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.
- Aftermarket sights are allowed

Targets

The IMSSU defined Small Bore Handgun targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	25 meters
Pigs	-	50 meters
Turkeys	-	75 meters
Rams	-	100 meters

Classifications: (Same as SBR Silhouette)

INT	34 - 40
Master:	27 - 33
Class A:	20 - 26
Class B:	0 - 19

Event 25: Production Air Pistol Standing

As per IMSSU rules

Event 26: Air Pistol Freestyle

General

This event will be a freestyle (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The pistol will conform to the following rules:

- Any 4.5mm (.177") pistol which conforms to the criteria and specifications of the ISSF rules.
- Any open or aperture sight will be allowed.
- No optical sights will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed





Targets

The IMSSU defined Air rifle Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

- Chickens - 10 m (10.9 yards)
- Pigs - 12 m (13.7 yards)
- Turkeys - 15 m (16.4 yards)
- Rams - 18 m (20 yards)

A tolerance of plus or minus 2.5 % is allowed.

Classifications: None

Event 27: Air Rifle Open Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- Only spring-loaded No.1 Air Rifles may be used.
- No recoilless spring-loaded air rifles may be used.
- No air accumulated type air rifles will be allowed - only spring operated.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.
- Any open or aperture sight will be allowed
- No optical devices will be allowed.

Targets

The IMSSU defined Air Rifle Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

- Chickens - 10 m (10.9 yards)
- Pigs - 12 m (13.7 yards)
- Turkeys - 15 m (16.4 yards)
- Rams - 18 m (20 yards)

A tolerance of plus or minus 2.5 % is allowed.

Classifications:

No Classes


Event 28: Production Air Rifle Standing

As per IMSSU rules

Event 29: Air Sport Handgun

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event.

- Any Production Pistol in 4.5 mm (.177") cal.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.
- The only sight apparatus allowed for these categories are a notched leaf type rear sight associated to a solid front sight, giving a sight picture similar to the following drawings:

- Barrel length should not exceed 280mm (11").
- No PCP type pistols will be allowed

Targets

The SAMSSA defined Air Sport Handgun Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

- Chickens - 10 m (10.9 yards)
- Pigs - 12 m (13.7 yards)
- Turkeys - 15 m (16.4 yards)
- Rams - 18 m (20 yards)

A tolerance of plus or minus 2.5 % is allowed.

Classifications:

No Classes



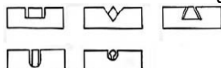


Event 30: Big Bore Sport Handgun Production

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The event is intended for the use a self-defence carry handgun with a barrel length of no more than 152.4mm (6"). The handgun will be production pistol (a pistol which, with its technical specifications, is readily available to the general public) which conforms to the following technical rules:

- Barrel length should not exceed 152.4mm (6").
- The overall length may not exceed 254mm (10") for a pistol and 304.8mm (12") for a revolver.
- The distance between the front and rear sight must not exceed 241.3mm (9½")
- No part of the front sight post or blade (with the exception of a production hood) and no part of the optical device (with the exception of a production sun shade) may be located in front of the muzzle of the barrel.
- Muzzle brake or any device(s) functioning in a similar manner are not allowed
- The grips must be conventional in that they do not allow support of the firearm with parts of the body other than the shooter's hands. And do not extend behind the shooter's wrist joints. No part of the grip or accessories may encircle the hand.
- No adjustable grips are allowed. Adjustable grip parts provided by the manufacturer must be removed.
- After market grips are allowed. These grips must be catalogue items readily available to the general public and must be manufactured for that firearm. All grips (factory or aftermarket) must be complete at all times in form and finish as manufactured.
- The only sight apparatus allowed for these categories are a notched leaf type rear sight associated to a solid front sight, giving a sight picture similar to the following drawings:



- No aftermarket sights are allowed
- No aperture or optical sights will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed
- The pistol may be of any action type, but may not be a single shot
- Any centrefire calibre above .22 to .455 is allowed, on condition that the load does not cause damage to the steel plates.
- A pistol with build-in compensators and vented barrels is NOT allowed.
- Race guns, as used in practical pistol shooting, are not allowed.

Targets

The SAMSSA defined Big Bore Sport Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	20 meters	<i>NOTE: For safety this rail should be level with the ground to prevent ricochets.</i>
Pigs	30 meters	
Turkeys	40 meters	
Rams	50 meters	

Classifications (The same as Field Pistol Production)

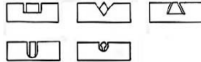
International:	23 - 40
Class A:	11 - 22
Class B:	0 - 10



**Event 31: Small Bore Sport Handgun Production****General**

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The event is intended for the use of a self-defence carry handgun with a barrel length of no more than 177.8mm (7"). The handgun will be a production pistol (a pistol which, with its technical specifications, is readily available to the general public) which conforms to the following technical rules:

- Barrel length should not exceed 177.8mm (7").
- The overall length may not exceed 254mm (10") for a pistol and 304.8mm (12") for a revolver.
- The distance between the front and rear sight must not exceed 241.3mm (9½")
- No part of the front sight post or blade (with the exception of a production hood) and no part of the optical device (with the exception of a production sun shade) may be located in front of the muzzle of the barrel.
- Muzzle brakes or any device(s) functioning in a similar manner are not allowed
- The grips must be conventional in that they do not allow support of the firearm with parts of the body other than the shooter's hands. And do not extend behind the shooter's wrist joints. No part of the grip or accessories may encircle the hand.
- No adjustable grips are allowed. Adjustable grip parts provided by the manufacturer must be removed.
- Aftermarket grips are allowed. These grips must be catalogue items readily available to the general public and must be manufactured for that firearm. All grips (factory or aftermarket) must be complete at all times in form and finish as manufactured.
- The only sight apparatus allowed for these categories are a notched leaf type rear sight associated to a solid front sight, giving a sight picture similar to the following drawings:



- No aftermarket sights are allowed
- No aperture or optical sights will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed
- The pistol may be of any action type, but may not be a single shot
- Any manufactured 22 Short, 22 Long or 22 Long Rifle self-contained rimfire cartridge may be used.
- A pistol with build-in compensators and vented barrels is NOT allowed.
- Race guns, as used in practical pistol shooting, are not allowed.

Targets

The SAMSSA defined Small Bore Sport Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	20 meters	<i>NOTE: For safety this rail should be level with the ground to prevent ricochets.</i>
Pigs	30 meters	
Turkeys	40 meters	
Rams	50 meters	

Classifications (The same as Field Pistol Production)

International:	23 - 40
Class A:	11 - 22
Class B:	0 - 10

Event 32: Big Bore Sport Handgun Unlimited**General**

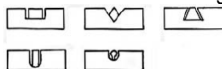
This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event.

The handgun will be a unlimited pistol which conforms to the following technical rules:

- Barrel length should not exceed 190.5mm (7½").
- The overall length may not exceed 292.1mm (11½") for a pistol and 342.9 (13½") for a revolver.
- The distance between the front and rear sight must not exceed 304.8mm (12")
- No part of the front sight post or blade (with the exception of a production hood) and no part of the optical device (with the exception of a production sun shade) may be located in front of the muzzle of the barrel.
- Muzzle brakes or any device(s) functioning in a similar manner are not allowed
- The grips must be conventional in that they do not allow support of the firearm with parts of the body other than the shooter's hands. And do not extend behind the shooter's wrist joints. No part of the grip or accessories may encircle the hand.



- No adjustable grips are allowed. Adjustable grip parts provided by the manufacturer must be removed.
- After market grips are allowed. These grips must be catalogue items readily available to the general public and must be manufactured for that firearm. All grips (factory or aftermarket) must be complete at all times in form and finish as manufactured.
- The only sight apparatus allowed for these categories are a notched leaf type rear sight associated to a solid front sight, giving a sight picture similar to the following drawings:



- Red dot sights with no magnification is allowed (SAMSSA 2018 AGM decision)
- Aftermarket sights are allowed
- In line with Big Bore Handgun standing rules, no aperture or optical sights will be allowed. However as per SAMSSA AGM 2018 decision, red dot sights with no magnification is allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed
- Any centrefire calibre above .22 to .455 is allowed, on condition that the load does not cause damage to the steel plates.
- A pistol with build-in compensators (factory fitted porting as an integral part to the design) and vented barrels (manufactured as standard and bought as such) is allowed.

Targets

The SAMSSA defined Big Bore Sport Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	20 meters
Pigs	30 meters
Turkeys	40 meters
Rams	50 meters

NOTE: For safety this rail should be level with the ground to prevent ricochets.

Classifications:

No classes

Event 33: Small Bore Sport Handgun Unlimited

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event.

The handgun will be a unlimited pistol which conforms to the following technical rules:

- Barrel length should not exceed 190.5mm (7½").
- The overall length may not exceed 292.1mm (11½") for a pistol and 342.9 (13½") for a revolver.
- The distance between the front and rear sight must not exceed 304.8mm (12")
- No part of the front sight post or blade (with the exception of a production hood) and no part of the optical device (with the exception of a production sun shade) may be located in front of the muzzle of the barrel.
- Muzzle brakes or any device(s) functioning in a similar manner are not allowed
- The grips must be conventional in that they do not allow support of the firearm with parts of the body other than the shooter's hands. And do not extend behind the shooter's wrist joints. No part of the grip or accessories may encircle the hand.
- No adjustable grips are allowed. Adjustable grip parts provided by the manufacturer must be removed.
- After market grips are allowed. These grips must be catalogue items readily available to the general public and must be manufactured for that firearm. All grips (factory or aftermarket) must be complete at all times in form and finish as manufactured.
- Aftermarket sights are allowed
- In line with Small Bore Handgun standing rules, aperture sights will be allowed.
- As per SAMSSA AGM 2018 decision, red dot sights with no magnification is allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed
- Any manufactured 22 Short, 22 Long or 22 Long Rifle self-contained rimfire cartridge may be used.
- A pistol with build-in compensators (factory fitted porting as an integral part to the design) and vented barrels (manufactured as standard and bought as such) is allowed.



**Targets**

The SAMSSA defined Small Bore Sport Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	20 meters
Pigs	30 meters
Turkeys	40 meters
Rams	50 meters

NOTE: For safety this rail should be level with the ground to prevent ricochets.

Classifications:

No classes

Event 40: Varmint Handgun Any Sights**General**

This event will be a freestyle (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The pistol will conform to the following rules:

- The barrel must not exceed 355.6 mm (14")
- Any safe trigger will be allowed
- Any centrefire calibre will be allowed with the proviso that the load does not cause damage to the targets.

Targets

The SAMSSA defined Varmint Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	- 125 meters
Pigs	- 150 meters
Turkeys	- 175 meters
Rams	- 200 meters

Classifications:

No classes

Event 41: Varmint Rifle Any Sights**General**

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- The following calibres are allowed: .22 Hornet, .222 Remington, .223 Remington, .357 Magnum and .44 Magnum, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets.
- Calibres that are excluded: .220 Swift, .22-250 Remington and .25-06 Remington, due to target damage.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.

Targets

The SAMSSA defined Varmint Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	- 125 meters
Pigs	- 150 meters
Turkeys	- 175 meters
Rams	- 200 meters

Classifications: (The same as Big Bore Rifle Hunting)

INT	29 - 40
Master:	22 - 28
Class A:	14 - 21
Class B:	0 - 13

Event 42: Varmint Magnum Rifle Any Sights**General**

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- The following calibres are allowed: 300 Magnum, 375 Magnum, 7mm Rem Magnum, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.
- This event will be contested over 20 shots due to overheating of the barrels (5 x chickens, 5 x pigs, 5 x turkeys, 5 x rams)
- 5 shots will be fired within 2 x 2½ minute periods.



Targets

The SAMSSA defined Varmint Magnum Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	125 meters
Pigs	-	150 meters
Turkeys	-	175 meters
Rams	-	200 meters

Classifications:

No classes

Event 45: Big Bore Rifle Unlimited Open Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- Any Big Bore Rifle with cartridge using 6mm (.243) or larger can be used, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets (same as for Big Bore Rifle Hunting and Silhouette)
- Any open or aperture sights will be allowed.
- No optical devices will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.

Targets

The IMSSU defined Big Bore Rifle targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	100 meters
Pigs	-	200 meters
Turkeys	-	300 meters
Rams	-	385 meters

Only if no 500 metres range is available, a substitute event may be organized for the Big Bore Rifle on the 200 meters Big Bore Pistol range. The Big Bore Rifle events will be shot by the Big Bore Rifle Rules except that ½ scale (Field Pistol targets up to 15mm thick) silhouettes will be used at the following distances:

Chickens	-	100 meters
Pigs	-	100 meters
Turkeys	-	150 meters
Rams	-	150 meters

Classifications:

No Classes

Event 46: Lever Action Rifle Unlimited Open Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- The following calibres are allowed: .357 Magnum, .44 Magnum, 44-40, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets.
- Any open or aperture sights will be allowed.
- No optical devices will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.

Targets

The IMSSU defined Big Bore Handgun targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	50 meters
Pigs	-	100 meters
Turkeys	-	150 meters
Rams	-	200 meters

Classifications:

No Classes

**Event 48: Small Bore Rifle Unlimited Open Sights Freestyle****General**

This event will be a freestyle (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- Any manufactured 22 Short, 22 Long or 22 Long Rifle self-contained rimfire cartridge may be used.
- Any open or aperture sights will be allowed.
- No optical devices will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.

Targets

The IMSSU defined Small Bore Handgun targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	25 meters
Pigs	-	50 meters
Turkeys	-	75 meters
Rams	-	100 meters

Classifications: (Same as SBR Silhouette)

INT	34 - 40
Master:	27 - 33
Class A:	20 - 26
Class B:	0 - 19

Event 49: Big Bore Rifle Unlimited Freestyle**General**

This event will be a freestyle event. The competitor can shoot from a prone, sitting, kneeling or standing position, but not from a table. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- Any Big Bore Rifle with cartridge using 6mm (.243) or larger can be used, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets.
- Any open, aperture or optical sights will be allowed.
- The competitor will not be allowed to use artificial support for any of the positions.
- No belts of tight jackets may be used.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.
- Shooting mats as used for handguns are permitted.

Targets

The IMSSU defined Big Bore Rifle targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	200 meters
Pigs	-	300 meters
Turkeys	-	385 meters
Rams	-	500 meters

Only if no 500 metres range is available, a substitute event may be organized for the Big Bore Rifle on the 200 meters Big Bore Pistol range. The Big Bore Rifle events will be shot by the Big Bore Rifle Rules except that ½ scale (Field Pistol targets up to 15mm thick) silhouettes will be used at the following distances:

Chickens	-	125 meters
Pigs	-	150 meters
Turkeys	-	200 meters
Rams	-	200 meters

Classifications:

No Classes

Event 50: Big Bore Rifle Semi-Auto Any Sights**General**

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- Any Semi-Auto Big Bore Rifle with cartridge using 6mm (.243) or larger can be used, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets.
- Any open or aperture sights will be allowed.
- Optical devices will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.



Targets

The IMSSU defined Big Bore Rifle targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

- Chickens - 200 meters
- Pigs - 300 meters
- Turkeys - 385 meters
- Rams - 500 meters

Only if no 500 metres range is available, a substitute event may be organized for the Big Bore Rifle on the 200 meters Big Bore Pistol range. The Big Bore Rifle events will be shot by the Big Bore Rifle Rules except that ½ scale (Field Pistol targets up to 15mm thick) silhouettes will be used at the following distances:

- Chickens - 100 meters
- Pigs - 150 meters
- Turkeys - 200 meters
- Rams - 200 meters

Classifications:

No Classes

Event 51: Varmint Rifle Semi-Auto Any Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- Any semi-auto rifle may be used.
- Any open or aperture sights will be allowed.
- Optical devices will be allowed.
- The following calibres are allowed: .22 Hornet, .222 Remington, .223 Remington, .357 Magnum and .44 Magnum, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets.
- Calibres that are exclude: .220 Swift, .22-250 Remington and .25-06 Remington, due to target damage.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.

Targets

The SAMSSA defined Varmint Targets will be used. Targets will be set at the following distances:

- Chickens - 125 meters
- Pigs - 150 meters
- Turkeys - 175 meters
- Rams - 200 meters

Classifications:

No Classes

Event 52: Small Bore Rifle Semi-Auto Any Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- Any manufactured 22 Short, 22 Long or 22 Long Rifle self contained rimfire cartridge may be used.
- Any semi-auto rimfire rifle may be used.
- Any open or aperture sights will be allowed.
- Optical devices will be allowed.
- IMSSU rules for palm rests, buttplates, cheekpieces, compensators, muzzle breaks and general equipment, applies.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.
- 1/10th IMSSU sized targets to be used

Targets

The IMSSU defined Small Bore Rifle targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

- Chickens - 40 meters
- Pigs - 60 meters
- Turkeys - 77 meters
- Rams - 100 meters

Classifications:

No Classes





Event 55: Black Powder Rifle Open Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- The intent of this event is to allow a common black powder rifle built by major black powder rifle manufacturers and that is, or was, readily available to the general public over the counter. It is the competitor's responsibility to provide any documentation which may be required to establish conformance of a rifle to the rules. Custom made rifles are prohibited.
- Any Black Powder Rifle calibre can be used, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets.
- No Black Powder cartridge rifles will be allowed
- Any open or aperture sights will be allowed.
- No optical devices will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.
- Ignition by percussion cap or flint only

Targets

The IMSSU defined Big Bore Handgun targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	50 meters
Pigs	-	100 meters
Turkeys	-	150 meters
Rams	-	200 meters

Firing Period

Five shots will be allowed in two sets of 2½ minute periods.

The course of fire will consist of 20 shots, 2 shots in the first firing period of 2 min 30 s and 3 shots during the second firing period of 2 min 30 s, or vice versa.

Sighters

Five sighter shots will be allowed to be shot during two rifle sighter periods - two or three shots per normal rifle sighter period. Capping will be allowed before sighter shots. (A specific command will be given to allow for the firing of a cap)

Classifications:

No Classes

Event 56: Black Powder Rifle Any Sights

General

This event will be a standing (as defined in IMSSU rules) event. The rifle will conform to the following rules:

- In addition to rifles allowed in the Black Powder Rifle event, custom made rifles are also allowed.
- Any Black Powder Rifle calibre can be used, with the proviso that loads do not damage the targets.
- No Black Powder cartridge rifles will be allowed
- Any open, aperture or optical sights will be allowed.
- Any safe trigger will be allowed.
- Any type of ignition allowed, including electronic ignition

Targets

The IMSSU defined Big Bore Handgun targets will be used. The targets will be set at the following distances:

Chickens	-	50 meters
Pigs	-	100 meters
Turkeys	-	150 meters
Rams	-	200 meters

Firing Period

Five shots will be allowed in two sets of 2½ minute periods.

The course of fire will consist of 20 shots, 2 shots in the first firing period of 2 min 30 s and 3 shots during the second firing period of 2 min 30 s, or vice versa.



Sighters

Five sighter shots will be allowed to be shot during two rifle sighter periods - two or three shots per normal rifle sighter period. Capping will be allowed before sighter shots. (A specific command will be given to allow for the firing of a cap)

Classifications:

No Classes



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Appendix A

SAMSSA criteria for awarding colours and selecting a National team

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Preamble

The South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee (SASCOC) is the body that regulates the award of National Colours through its established National Colours Commission. The SAMSSA National Team selection criteria must conform to these regulations for SAMSSA to apply for National Colours. Since the SASCOC regulations require international participation as determined by the technical rules and regulations of SAMSSA and its international controlling body, selection criteria is also required to take the IMSSU rules into account.

Objective

The purpose of the National Teams is not only to bring home medals, but the team members are also ambassadors of the country as well as for the sport. Metallic Silhouette Shooting is as much a team sport as it is an individual effort and this must be taken into consideration with the selection of a team. The main consideration should be on the performance of the candidates with the focus on the performance at the time of team selection. The behaviour and loyalty to the sport should not be discarded, especially in the case of candidates with comparative scores.

Definitions

- **National team** - This is the team that will be awarded National Colours. This team consists of individuals competing in the team aggregates, individual aggregates or individual events. The team members may participate in official national colours, subject to SASCOC approval.
- **National Selection Panel** - The committee responsible for selecting the National Team(s) to represent South Africa at an International Competition. The panel will be constituted in accordance with Clause 16.2 of the SAMSSA constitution.
- **National Trials** - All the candidates who qualify according to these selection criteria will be invited to the national trials to be eligible to be selected to represent South Africa in an international competition. The candidates at the trials may be competing for either National or Federation colours.
- **Federation Colours** - Federation colours may be awarded subject to SASSF approval to qualifying candidates competing in an international competition.
- **Association Colours** - Association colours may be awarded to veteran (master), ladies, junior or physical disability sides, development individuals or teams competing against other countries in friendly, invitation or test matches amongst others. The National Selection panel will consider applications for the awarding of Association Colours by default based on the development breakpoints in the current criteria. For special considerations not provided for in this criteria (e.g. physical disability requirements, team managers when/where applicable, etc.) the National Selection panel may prescribe criteria applicable to a particular match, but published in advance to afford members at least twice the opportunity to compete for the colours awards. Association Colours may also be awarded for honorary or long service, but the decision for these awards must be motivated and presented at council meetings for approval.



- **Sanctioned Event** - A basic sanctioned event will consist of a 40 round course of fire with an equal number of targets being set at each distance. Multiple 40 round events fired straight through shall be converted to a 40 round match equivalent and treated as a single sanctioned event. Conversion to a 40 round equivalent event shall be calculated by dividing the score by the number of multiples and retaining fractions to decide ranking.
- **Aggregate** - The combined scores of all sanctioned events in a category, as defined by the IMSSU rules. (Section VI - Clause J of "General technical Rules for all Metallic Silhouette Discipline Shooting Categories" - IMSSU Official Sporting Rules, latest revision)
- **Breakpoint** - The minimum score achieved at one or more sanctioned match(es) as part of the process to qualify for trials.
- **National ranking list** - Competitor ranking for each aggregate or event based on the scores shot at SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championships.
- **Selection ranking list** - Competitor ranking compiled from the National ranking list and the scores achieved at the National Trials.
- **SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championship** - A Club, Provincial, National or International championship which is approved by SAMSSA and shot to the IMSSU rules where breakpoints can be achieved. The scores of these competitions will also be used for the National Ranking as well as for inclusion in a National Team. All the SAMSSA members should have the opportunity to compete in these competitions as a member of a team or as an individual. SAMSSA members may, upon furnishing official results of their personal participation, apply to submit their scores of IMSSU sanctioned championships hosted outside the borders of South Africa. This application must be lodged within one month after the competition, but not later than 7 days before the subsequent trials.
- **SAMSSA** - The national controlling body - South African Metallic Silhouette Shooting Association
- **IMSSU** - The international controlling body - International Metallic Silhouette Shooting Union
- **SASSCo** - The national federation representing all sport shooting associations - South African Shooting Sport Confederation
- **SASCOC** - The body that controls the awarding of National Colours - South African Sports Confederation and Olympic Committee

Breakpoint and Ranking criteria

1. As per definition, an aggregate consists of a number of sanctioned events. Therefore if a participant does not compete in all the required events of any aggregate, the aggregate score of these events cannot count towards any aggregate breakpoint.
2. The total of an aggregate will be calculated from the sum of the number of basic sanctioned events it consists of, i.e. number of events in the aggregate multiplied by 40.
3. In the event of any aggregate in a sanctioned match where the individual event totals are also offered in multiples of 40, the following will apply in this selection criteria:
 - a. All the events in the aggregate must be offered in the same multiple of 40. Only exception is for aggregates where big bore and small bore calibres are mixed for



which events with multiple 40 shot events will be converted to 40 shot equivalents before calculating the aggregate;

- b. All multiple 40 shot events must individually be competed in its entirety before another event in that aggregate is competed in;
- c. By default, the aggregate breakpoint will be calculated simply by adding the scores representing the basic sanctioned events of the aggregate;
- d. Where the breakpoint calculation finds that a competitor has competed in a multiple 40 shot event, it will override the basic sanctioned event breakpoint calculation and calculate the breakpoint by adding the converted equivalent scores of all of the individual events.

4. The following table summarizes the qualifying breakpoints for the aggregate events:

Event (Aggregate)	National Breakpoint	Senior Development Breakpoint	Junior(U/20) National Breakpoint	Junior(U/20) Development Breakpoint
BBHG	124/160	112/160		
SBHG	121/160	109/160	95/160	76/160
FP	57/80	51/80		
Standing	101/160	91/160		
BBR	41/80	37/80		
SBR	50/80	45/80	30/80	27/80
SBR OS	63/80	57/80		

Converted equivalent scores will be used for multiple 40 shot events.

5. The following table summarizes the qualifying breakpoints for the individual events:

Individual event	Sum of 3 Best scores
Event 1 - Big Bore Revolver	117/120
Event 2 - Big Bore Production	120/120
Event 3 - Big Bore Standing	90/120
Event 4 - Big Bore Unlimited	108/120
Event 5 - Small Bore Revolver	117/120
Event 6 - Small Bore Production	120/120
Event 7 - Small Bore Standing	90/120
Event 8 - Small Bore Unlimited	111/120
Event 9 - Field Pistol Production	105/120
Event 10 - Field Pistol Any Sights	108/120
Event 11 - Big Bore Rifle Hunting	81/120
Event 12 - Big Bore Rifle Silhouette	81/120
Event 13&15 - Small Bore Rifle Light	183/240
Event 14&16 - Small Bore Rifle Silhouette	192/240
Event 20 - Small Bore Rifle Open Sights Light	105/120
Event 21 - Small Bore Rifle Open Sights Silhouette	108/120





Event 25 - Production Air Pistol Standing	78/120
Event 28 - Production Air Rifle Standing	99/120

6. The competitors will be ranked for each aggregate or event based on the following:
 - a. The best 2 aggregate or sum of best 3 individual event scores shot at SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championships in the period from after the last National Trials for the selection of the National Team to participate in the World Championship up to but not including the National Trials before the next World Championship. This will not include scores of any National Trials except where the previous trials were hosted in conjunction with another SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championships
 - b. If a National Team is to be selected for any other International Championship, excluding the World Championship, the best 2 aggregates or sum of best 3 events shot at SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championships during the preceding 24 months will be considered for breakpoints. This will not include scores of any National Trials except where the previous trials were hosted in conjunction with another SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championship.
7. The SAMSSA Statistics Officer will rank members according to the above and this National ranking list will be updated and published on the SAMSSA web site within one month after each SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned Club, Provincial, National and International Championship. Junior members to be ranked separately as well as included in the senior ranking.

National Trials

1. The National Trials will be the same format as a SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championship and may be part of a SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championship. Where the National Trials is part of a SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned championship, the scores at this sanctioned championship will also be considered for breakpoints for inclusion in the next National Trials.
2. The member should be actively participating in SAMSSA/IMSSU sanctioned competitions and therefore have a ranking as per the National ranking list required by this criteria.
3. A member will only be considered once he/she has stated his/her intention to enter for the specific International Championship by accepting the invitation and participation in the National Trials.
4. The member should be a member in Good Standing.
5. All the candidates achieving or exceeding the qualifying criteria of
 - a. two national breakpoints per aggregate, and/or
 - b. one event breakpoint (sum total of 3 best scores in that event)qualify by default, but will nevertheless be invited to participate in the National Trials. If there are less than 3 qualifying candidates that entered for the trials for the relevant national aggregate, the candidates will only be selected to participate as individual



aggregate specialists and SAMSSA will not enter a "team" for the aggregate team competition.

6. Candidates achieving or exceeding the qualifying criteria of two development breakpoints or two junior development breakpoints may be invited to participate in the National Trials. Invitations may be limited to only the aggregate categories for which there are no qualifying national aggregate breakpoint candidates.
7. All aggregate teams will consist of no less than three members. Different colours (e.g. national/federation/association) may not be mixed within aggregate teams.
8. Invited candidates that do not participate in the trials where there are more than three candidates for an aggregate category, will not be considered for any colour awards. The only exception is sickness that requires hospitalization of the candidate or death of near family (spouse, children or parents). It will be at the discretion of the National Selection Panel to include such a candidate. The average of the aggregate and/or event scores of the last 2 competitions will count towards trials scores for the relevant individual, but these two scores should have been achieved in the 6 months prior to the trials to ensure that a current performance level is considered.

Selection criteria

1. A selection ranking list will be compiled by adding together:
 - a. the averages of the two best aggregate scores and/or average of three best event scores from the invited candidates on the national ranking list
 - b. plus the associated scores from the trials shot over two aggregates and/or the two associated trial scores for the qualifying individual events.
2. Where there are three or less candidates that accepted the invitation to the National Trials for any aggregate category, the selection ranking list for that aggregate category will be compiled taking only the averages of the two best aggregate scores from the national ranking list plus the associated scores from the trials shot over one aggregate and/or one associated trial scores for the qualifying individual events. These candidates are therefore required to take part in the second leg of the trials. The selection of the aggregate team or aggregate specialist(s) proceeds with the changed selection ranking list and these candidates are therefore not required to take part in the trials.
3. A National Team is selected from the candidates on the selection ranking list that achieved the qualifying national breakpoints. The top 3 aggregate competitors are selected first from the selection ranking list for the aggregate teams. A fourth member may be selected per aggregate as a reserve at the discretion of the selection panel. If there are less than 3 aggregate candidates, the available candidates will be selected as aggregate specialists. Next the top event specialists are selected and this may be more than one specialist per event at the discretion of the selection panel. An aggregate specialist can be selected as event specialist in another discipline however National Colours will only be awarded once.
4. If there are aggregate categories where there are no candidates available to select for the national team, invited candidates that has achieved the development breakpoint will be selected and awarded Federation colours to compete as teams or individuals in those categories.



5. To develop and encourage lady competitors, the highest ranking ladies, up to a maximum of three from all the invited ladies on the selection ranking list that has achieved the development breakpoint in an aggregate at least twice, will be awarded federation colours.
6. To develop and encourage junior (u/18) competitors, the highest ranking juniors, up to a maximum of three from all the invited juniors on the selection ranking list that has at least achieved the junior development breakpoint twice in the Small Bore Handgun and/or Small Bore Rifle aggregates, will be awarded federation colours.

Administrative procedures

1. The National Selection panel will be appointed 3 months prior to the trials. The names of the selection panel shall be distributed to all SAMSSA members.
2. The National Team that will participate at the International Championship will be selected not less than four months prior to the International Championship to allow for SASCOC approval and acquiring of clothing and apparel.
3. The Team Manager will be appointed by the SAMSSA Executive Committee whilst the team members will select the Team Captains for each of the Handgun and Rifle shooting categories. Application for team manager should be by a deserving candidate and knowledge of coaching and/or sport management would be a recommendation.
4. Changes to the selection criteria may only be made at a Special General Meeting scheduled to take place during the National Trials and will be used towards the selection of candidates for the next trials. Should IMSSU rule changes impact the selection of the National Team in between trials, the councillors may call a Special General Meeting to change only the selection criteria where such rule changes impact the selection criteria.



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Appendix B

SAMSSA criteria for awarding and retention of Dedicated Status

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Preamble

SAMSSA (Accreditation certificate number 1300025) invites its members to apply to be declared a "DEDICATED SPORTSPERSON" in accordance with the stipulations of Article 16 of Act 60 of 2000. This dedicated status will provide members the rights as per the regulations, for example: To apply for more than four firearm licenses, to apply to possess more than 200 rounds of ammunition per license and will also empower a dedicated sports person, that is not of age yet, to apply for a firearm licence and/or to apply for co-licensing of a firearm.

Qualifying Criteria

In order to qualify as "Dedicated Sportsperson", the member must comply with the following criteria: The member **MUST**:

- Apply per the prescribed SAMSSA Application Form to be declared a Dedicated Sportsperson
NB! Reflect and supply all relevant experience and training/qualifications and documentary proof of such
- AND
- must be a fully paid up affiliated member of SAMSSA
- AND
- must be Classified on the SAMSSA database (must have competed in at least one SAMSSA Sanctioned Match in the preceding 12 months)
- AND
- must have a National Ranking at SAMSSA
- AND
- must have successfully completed the SAMSSA RO examination
- AND
- must have participated in the league shoots of a SAMSSA affiliated Club (in the preceding 12 months)

Criteria to retain Dedicated Status

In order for a member to retain his/her "Dedicated Sportsperson" status, the member must comply with the following criteria:

- must be a fully paid up affiliated member of SAMSSA
- AND
- must be a member in good standing
- AND
- A member should have participated in one sanctioned match in 24 month period (i.e. be on the ranking tables) or a member should have participated in 2 league events in the preceding 12 month period

Provinces must submit a report on the member activity of all their dedicated sports person members together with their membership fees not later than 31 December each year. Where applicable, reasons must be furnished for members that did not meet the required activity criteria.



Appendix C

List of changes to document

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23 May 2005

- Page 12: Remove “*No aperture or optical sights will be allowed*” in Varmint Handgun event.
- Pages 2 & 4: Replace “*fun*” with “*SAMSSA*”

30 June 2005

- Page 4: Replace *Event 18: Small Bore Sport Handgun* with *Event 19: Sport Handgun Unlimited* for Pee Wee and Juniors
- Page 4: Replace Event 6: Small Bore Handgun Production with Event 8: Small Bore Handgun Unlimited

25 October 2005

- Page 3: Add Standing Aggregate to list
- Page 3: Add Air Rifle Events for Minor competitors
- Page 9: Add Standing Aggregate
- Page 11: Include aperture sights for Air Pistol
- Page 17: Add: “Aggregates shot competing as a junior competitor, will be counted only toward selection for junior teams. Such aggregate scores will not count towards the selection for senior teams.”
- Page 19: Include Standing breakpoint of 100/160

7 October 2007

- Page 2: Hosting organization may include events 15 and 16, all four small bore rifle events will be competed in at National trials and National championships.
- Page 18: Updated Small Bore Rifle breakpoint aggregate.
- Page 20: Updated Small Bore Rifle breakpoint.

11 October 2008

- Page 2: Added Small Bore Rifle Unlimited as event 28, renumbered events 28 and 29 to one number higher.
- Page 6: Added Small Bore Rifle Unlimited with same classifications as SBR Open Sights.
- Page 10: Updated SB Handgun barrel length to 177.8mm (7”).
- Page 13: Updated SBR Open Sights to exclude aperture sights and comply
- Page 14: Added Small Bore Rifle Unlimited to technical specification.

6 October 2011

- Page 1: Priority of Sanctioned match date allocation and affiliated clubs entitled to one SAMSSA sanctioned match per year, as per 2009 AGM
- Page 2: Added the Black Powder Rifle and SBR Open Sights Light/Silhouette events.
- Page 3: Added SBR Open Sights Light/Silhouette Aggregate. Pee Wee Aggregate change event 8 to event 6.
- Page 4: Changed Pee Wee event 8 to event 6.
- Page 5: Added the SBR Open Sights Light/Silhouette events to the junior allowed events.
- Page 6: Added event score verification and acceptance procedures, added SAMSSA team competition focussing on SAMSSA events, added junior Air Pistol and Air Rifle challenge.
- Page 7: Added the Black Powder Rifle and SBR Open Sights Light/Silhouette events to the classification table (no classes).
- Pages 12-13: Local organising committee may elect to use IMSSU shooting distances for Air Pistol and Air Rifle targets.
- Page 14: Added target distances for BB Rifle Open Sights substitute event.
- Page 16: Added target distances for BB Rifle Free Style substitute event.
- Pages 17-18: Added technical specifications for Black Powder Rifle and SBR Open Sights Light/Silhouette events.
- Pages 20-26: Updated National Team Selection criteria as tabled at the 2011 AGM.

4 October 2012

- Aggregate BBHG (125) and SBHG (120) breakpoints changed due to IMSSU rule changes. BBR can now be hosted on 200m range, but aggregate breakpoint to remain as is. All new IMSSU rules to be implemented from 1 January 2013.



- SBR Open Sights events to be included in the Victor Ludorum calculation.

27 September 2013

- Four Sport Handgun events to be hosted, Big Bore and Small Bore Unlimited to be added. In-House rules updated to specify thickness and sizes of big bore and small bore targets.
- SAMSSA In-House rules to be amended to allow only following calibres so as to prevent damaging targets: .357 Magnum, .44 Magnum and 44-40.
- Junior scores count towards senior breakpoints even if the shooter has entered as a junior. The junior ranking should be included in the senior ranking.
- Air rifle and air pistol targets to conform to IMSSU rules, 4mm for chickens and pigs, 3mm for turkeys and rams.

9 October 2014

- Small Bore Sport Handgun barrel length may not exceed 7 inches.
- Varmint Magnum Rifle event is introduced. Matches to be 20 shots and not compulsory to be hosted at SA Nationals.
- Events numbering re-arranged, old numbers to be reflected with new numbers for time being.
- Title "Pensioner" abolished. Member who turns 55 becomes a Veteran in that year and pays reduced membership and competition fees. Terms "Pee Wee" and "Minor" also abolished and replaced with Junior U/9 and Junior U/14. Junior U/18 replaced with Junior U/21 to align with international age groups. Junior U/21 may compete in all four Small Bore Rifle scoped events.
- It was decided to retain dedicated status it is compulsory to participate in one sanctioned match per annum.
- Big Bore Rifle Open Sight distances set at 100m, 200m, 300m and 385m.

8 October 2015

- World Championship scores from SAMSSA members to be included in the National ranking, starting from WS 2014.
- Retention of Dedicated Status: A member should have participated in one sanctioned match in 24 month period (i.e. be on the ranking tables) or a member should have participated in 2 league events in the preceding 12 month period.
- 20-shot matches for non-IMSSU events: This will be allowed. The hosting province can decide (and clearly state so on their entry forms) to host the non IMSSU events (excluding items 20 and 21) as 20-shot events. The second set of 5 animals will just have a 0 score in the SAMSSA db.
- Semi-Auto rifle events changed to Semi-Auto rifle Any Sights events.
- Participation of Visitors: Only SAMSSA members may participate in a SAMSSA sanctioned match.
- Trials 3 team members qualify: In those aggregates where only 3 members have qualified, they will only be required to participate in the second leg of the trials.

7 October 2016

- The Small Bore Rifle Open Sights events 47 and 48 to be changed to Freestyle events.

4 October 2017

- Varmint Handgun barrel length to be the same as BBHG Unlimited (15 inches).

1 March 2018 (Special General Meeting at Trials)

- Break points updated for BBHG, SBHG, FP, HG Standing and BBR Aggregates and all the individual events.

5 October 2018

- Red dot optical sights may be used with SB and BB SHG Unlimited.