



NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Target Shotgun Festival Competition Notes

Saturday 7th - Sunday 8th March 2026

Programme & Fees: Full details will be available via the event page online.nra.org.uk/ts-festival-spring-2026

- **Saturday:** Timed & Precision 1, Multi-Target, NRA Embassy Cup - **£13.00** Service Match - **£15.00**
- **Sunday:** Practical Shotgun Match (*half-day competition, part of the NRA Shotgun League*) - **£35.00**

Discounts: *Off entry fees only. Multi-competition discounts are only applicable to entries made before the deadline*

- **10% Off Entry Fees** when you enter 4 or more competitions over the whole weekend
- **40% Off Entry Fees** for those who are under 25 years old on the last day of the Event

Non-Member fee: £11.50

Entry Deadline: Monday 2nd March at midday. On the day, entries are not permitted

Cancellations & Refunds: Cancellations must be received via email to competitions@nra.org.uk by **8am Thursday 5th March**. Entries will be fully refunded (or credited) before this time, after this point entries are non-refundable. Credits are valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation.

If you are unable to shoot an event due to an event management issue (such as targetry failure), you can request a Refund/Credit by returning your scorecard, with a note on the reverse of the card as to the issue, to the Match Director by the end of the event

Entry Requirement Summary (*See Terms of Entry below for full details*):

- ✓ **Shooter Certification Card (SCC):** All shooters MUST be in possession of their SCC when shooting on NRA ranges. This is awarded to NRA Members, or by a Club Chairperson (of NRA affiliated Clubs) once a shooter has satisfied criteria as to the shooter's ability to use firearms and ammunition safely. If not in possession of an SCC, shooters may apply for a temporary SCC by emailing competitions@nra.org.uk
- ✓ **NRA Membership:** Membership to the NRA is required to shoot on NSC Ranges, and ensures the individual is covered by the NRA insurance package. Non-NRA members are welcome, but are required to pay an additional Non-Member Fee
- ✓ On the first day of the event, you must be aged 14 or over (please contact the event Co-ordinator before entering if this is not the case)

Making an entry: Entries can be made and paid for online via: online.nra.org.uk. A downloadable paper entry form will also be available which can be returned via email or post. Competitors can only compete in each event once per firearm class – there are no reshoots available

Gallery Rifle ID (GRID): This is a unique index number that allows us to match up your scores from multiple events in TS Festivals, and is also used for the Cottesloe Heath Challenge and Action Weekend Competitions. Your GRID is listed on your membership profile and on our online booking website: online.nra.org.uk/customer/info

Saturday Classes:

- **Any Shotgun (SG):** Any Shotgun
- **Manual (SGM):** Any Manual Action Shotgun with an integral tubular magazine or detachable magazine
- **Semi-Automatic (SGSA):** Any Semi-Automatic Shotgun with an integral tubular magazine or detachable magazine
- **Classic (SGC):** Any shotgun that is not magazine fed and is not fitted with optical or electronic (red dot, telescopic etc.) sights

Sunday Classes:

- **Standard:** Any Semi-Auto Action Shotgun with a fixed magazine, iron sights only
- **Standard Manual:** Any Manual Action Shotgun with a fixed magazine, iron sights only
- **Open:** Any Shotgun

Courses of Fire: Saturday competitions are listed in the TS Handbook which can be found [online](https://online.nra.org.uk) and in a FREE paperback book available from NRA Reception. The design of the Practical course is not published in advance of the event, see below for ammunition advice

Firing Positions: Para A3.4 of the TS Handbook: When entering a Meeting, a competitor who has a physical disability (temporary or permanent) which prevents the use of a position specified in the event conditions may apply to the Meeting Director for permission to use an alternative position. Such an application should be supported by medical evidence (e.g. a Doctor's note) whenever possible. The Meeting Director will determine which, if any alternative position(s) the competitor will be allowed to use in which event(s) and will notify the competitor of the decision. The competitor will typically be allowed to adopt the next most difficult position applicable to the event. This will vary between events but may include:

- a. Sitting instead of Prone
- b. Kneeling instead of Sitting
- c. Standing (strong or weak shoulder/hand) instead of Kneeling, Sitting or Prone
- d. Kneeling Unsupported instead of Standing

Ammunition: Fibre wad ammunition only (Plastic wads that remain fixed to solid slugs during flight are permitted)

- The course of fire for the Practical Match varies at each Meeting. We advise bringing 75-100 rounds of Birdshot (size UK 4/5/6/7/8), NO Buckshot, and 26-35 rounds of Slug ammunition to account for misses and re-shoots

Muzzle Energy: Ranges at Bisley use the Danger Area of Pirbright Range, which, under MoD requirements, state that all firearms used must either have a muzzle energy under 4,500 Joules (3,319 ft lbs), or else be zeroed at 200 yards or on the Bisley Zero Range prior to being used at a longer distance. If your ME exceeds the limit then you must zero your rifle, using the specially designed target, the day before the start of your particular Meeting

Squadding: Once entries have closed your competitions will be allocated (squadded) to a specific time slot during the day which will be communicated to you via email

- **Special Squadding requests:** You will be squadded randomly, with the exception of those supervising junior shooters, or those sharing firearms. If you wish to request 'special squadding' please make a note on your entry; for those travelling together in the same vehicle we will endeavour to have you starting and finishing at similar times

When you arrive: Please head straight to the range, and collect your scorecard pack from a member of the Range Team – do not go to NRA Reception

- Competitions on Saturday have individual scorecards you will need to complete. The 'Stats copy' side needs to be posted into the scorecard box on range once it has been signed and checked by the Range Officer. You may keep the 'Competitor copy' half for your own records
- On Sunday, scores are input directly onto an electronic tablet, and there are no scorecards to collect

Results: Results will be typed up on the next working day following the Competition and will be available online: www.nra.org.uk/liveresults

Challenging Results: It is the competitor's responsibility on the day of the competition to ensure that scores are written down correctly, before being signed by the Range Officer and posted in the scorecard box. For the Practical match competitors must check the tablet input before it is submitted. Any challenges of this nature must be made immediately on the day. Following the publishing of scores online competitors have until midday on the Thursday the week following the event to contact the NRA for errors relating to the digitising of the hand-recorded scores. Please email competitions@nra.org.uk with any challenges

Prizegiving: There is no Prizegiving at this Competition, awards will be distributed after the event

Awards (Saturday): NRA medals are presented to the winners of each competition. These are engraved after the meeting, and will be available to collect, or posted out if not collected. Medals are awarded in each event, in each class to the highest scoring competitors, the amount of medals awarded is subject to Prize List D of the NRA handbook:

- 2+ Results: Gold Medal
- 6+ Results: Gold and Silver Medal
- 11+ Results: Gold, Silver and Bronze Medal

Awards (Sunday): Scores made in the Practical Matches go towards the 2026 NRA League standings. Awards will be presented in Spring 2027 upon completion of the League

Firearms Usage: The NRA is required to keep a record of firearms used by competitors as required by the Firearms (Amendment) Acts 1997. Following a Competition please go to your online profile and update your firearms usage: online.nra.org.uk/customer/firearmusages

Terms of Entry:

- I agree I meet the entry requirements as stated in these Event Notes
- I confirm that the information given on the attached Entry form is true, complete and accurate

Access to firearms:

- I meet at least one of the following conditions that legitimises my access to firearms:
 - o I am an individual member of the NRA (or temporary 'Meeting Member' by paying the Non-Member Fee)
 - o I hold a Firearm Certificate or GB Visitor's Firearm Permit permitting me to use, for target shooting, the firearms that I shall fire in this event
 - o I am a member of a Club Approved by the Home Office, the Scottish Ministers or the PSNI and will be shooting as a member of that club and will use any firearm for which I do not hold a Firearm Certificate only in accordance with the applicable exemptions to S1 Firearms Act 1968 (as amended)
- I am not a prohibited person within the meaning of Section 21 Firearms Act 1968 (as amended)
- I have never had a Firearm or Shotgun Certificate refused or revoked. (If you have, please enclose full details in a sealed envelope marked 'Confidential')

Warnings:

- I agree to abide by the rules of the National Rifle Association and I will accept the decisions of the Event Director or the NRA as final
- I agree that results of the Competition and classifications may be published on the internet or elsewhere containing my name, competitor number, country, class and score
- I agree that I have read the NSC Range Regulations in regards to the wearing of ear protection, and Appendix III of the NRA Handbook in regards to the wearing of eye protection, and shall not hold the organiser responsible for any injury resulting from non-compliance therewith. Any mandatory details will be contained within these Event Notes
- I understand that if I have debts to NRA or NSC Ltd over 90 days outstanding, entry to this event will be restricted until these have been settled in full