



NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Match Rifle Imperial Individual Event Notes

Friday 10th – Thursday 16th July 2026

This event is governed by the rules laid out in the NRA Handbook (Bisley Bible) which is available online via: nra.org.uk/all-downloads/nra-handbooks. You can purchase a paperback copy of the Handbook as part of your entry, or from NRA Reception for £13.50. Please ensure you are familiar with the rules of the competition

Programme & Entry Fees:

- 🎯 **Friday:** Any Rifle Extras **£35 per distance**
- 🎯 **Saturday:** Whitehead **£75**, Halford **£75**
- 🎯 **Sunday:** Cottesloe **£50**, Wimbledon **£50**, Armourers **£50**
- 🎯 **Monday:** Edge **£81**, Ranken **£35**
- 🎯 **Tuesday:** Albert **£115**, Ranken **£35**
- 🎯 **Thursday:** Any Rifle 1200x **£40**

Hopton Aggregate: Comprises of Whitehead, Halford, Cottesloe, Wimbledon, Armourers, Edge and Albert, and is **FREE** to enter. Entry is automatic when booking all 7 events (Block F on the entry form)

Maxwell Aggregate: **FREE**. Awarded to the competitors whose scores in the Hopton (MR) and Grand Aggregate (TR) make up the highest aggregates

Peter-Hoblyn Aggregate: **FREE**. Awarded to the competitors aged under 25 whose scores in the Hopton (MR) and Grand Aggregate (TR) make up the highest aggregates

Aggregates: **£1**. Further aggregates of different combinations of Hopton Aggregate events are available to book. These can be booked individually or collectively by selecting Block G on the entry form

Under 25 Discount: 40% discount off entry fee for those that are under 25 years old on the day of the Event

Meeting Member Fee: The lowest applicable charge will be applied when entering

- £52.00 Adult Non-NRA Member
- £46.80 Serving member of HM Forces, or Over 65, or Overseas
- £31.20 Under 25. If Under 21 you can receive **FREE** membership up until your 21st birthday by completing an additional membership application form
- **FREE** Under 21 and entering the Meeting for the first time

Non-members will receive a Meeting Membership card in their entry pack. This can be used at the NRA Range Office to book Zero Range or Practice Targets for the duration of the Meeting (subject to supervision approval by the NRA)

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

- ✓ **Membership:** This competition is open to NRA Members. Shooters from other Home Office Approved Clubs are welcome but are required to pay the Non-Member Fee
- ✓ **Shooter Certification Card (SCC):** In Telescope Rifle. If not in possession of a suitable SCC, shooters should email competitions@nra.org.uk before entering to apply for a temporary card
- ✓ **Age:** On the first day of the event, you must be aged 14 or over - please contact the event Competitions Team before entering if this is not the case

Entry Deadline: Monday 8th June at midday

Payment: All entries must be paid at point of entry. Overseas competitors may pay when collecting scorecards due to overseas transactions fees

Cancellations: Cancellations must be received via email to competitions@nra.org.uk by **8am two working days prior to each competition**. i.e. if you wish to cancel your to the Cottesloe, you must send a cancellation via email before 8am Friday 10th July. Entries cancelled in time will be fully refunded (or credited), after this point entries are non-refundable. Credits are valid for 12 months from the date of cancellation. Any uncompleted aggregates will also be refunded/credited

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

Overseas Competitors: Applications for Visitors Firearms Permits should be made at your earliest opportunity, as it can take a minimum of 3 months to be processed. Please use the Visitors Firearms Permit application form available as a download on the NRA website. Competitors from within the European Community must include a valid European Firearms Pass where applicable

Firearms: Please refer to paragraph 156 and 157 of the NRA Handbook for specifications of eligible Match Rifles

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

Ammunition: Competitors must supply their own ammunition, which may include handloads

Classifications: All competitors will be assigned a class ahead of the Meeting. Most prizelists will be split based on class, so you will compete against a similar ability of shooter. If an overseas competitor is not yet in possession of an NRA GB classification, they should state their home country's class to aid in determining the class to be used during the Meeting

- **T Class:** Individuals who have never appeared in the top 20 of the Hopton or in the top 10 in any other individual MR competition and who has never been a Class X (TR)
- **O Class:** Individuals who are not a Class T

Any Rifle Class: As per para 157 of the NRA Handbook - A Match Rifle, generally as specified in Para 156 with a number of exceptions. Competitors selecting to enter this class will not be eligible to receive MR prizes, and will instead receive Any Rifle awards as stated in the NRA Handbook

Target Rifle ID (TRID): This is a unique index number that allows us to match up your scores from multiple Imperial Meetings. Your TRID is listed on your membership profile and on our online booking website: online.nra.org.uk/customer/info. If you do not have a TRID please leave the field blank and one will be assigned

Eligibility:

- **Clubs:** You may list up to two Clubs on your entry form, the Primary one will be listed on all prize lists and Secondary can be referenced by captains for team selection
- **Country:** Please state the Country you are eligible to shoot for even if you do not intend to shoot in international matches, as this is required to calculate your eligibility into certain aggregates and special duty exemptions – and so we can fly your flag at Bisley

Courses of Fire: Conditions and courses of fire are listed in the NRA Handbook which can be found [online](#) and in a paperback book available to purchase from NRA Reception for £13.50

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

Alternative Shooting Position: A competitor who is unable to shoot prone may apply upon entry to shoot from a bench (see paragraph 134b of the NRA Handbook). **Competitors must provide their own bench in accordance to paragraph 156 of the NRA Handbook:**

- The weight of the rifle must be borne fully by the body
- The butt may be supported in the shoulder but must not rest on the table or on an artificial support of any kind
- The competitor, table and other equipment together, must not take up more than their allotted space on the firing point
- The table must be of conventional design and be capable of being moved and erected by the competitor

Mentors: Any competitor, particularly those entering for the first time, can benefit from mentoring by an experienced competitor. To request this service please complete the appropriate box on the entry form. You will be contacted prior to the Meeting with further details. Any suitably experienced competitors who would like to volunteer to be a mentor should contact the Shooting Division via competitions@nra.org.uk

When you Arrive: Please report to NRA Reception where your competitor pack will be ready for you to collect

HME Zeroing: Before you can collect your scorecard pack you must Zero your firearm and bring the zeroing card to the NRA Reception

Scorecards: Affix the corresponding squadding sticker (provided in your scorecard pack) to the top of each scorecard. Please record your scores in the top half of the scorecard, and the scores of the person you are keeping register for in the bottom half. The person you keep register for is the person on your target who shoots immediately after you. Once scores have been agreed please sign the card and place it into the scorecard box (on the Range Officer table) before leaving the range

Results: Results will be input on the day of the Competition and will be available online: www.nra.org.uk/liveresults. Prize Lists are displayed periodically throughout the Meeting on the Stats boards to the side of the Main NRA building

Challenging Results: It is the competitor's responsibility on the day of the competition to ensure that scores are written down correctly before submitting cards into the scorecard box

- Provisional results are printed on white paper and attached to the scoreboards to the side of the Main NRA Building. After results go final and are printed on yellow paper. If you wish to make a challenge to the digitising of your results you must do so whilst the results are Provisional

Overseas Team Fund (OTF) Swindle: The OTF Swindles provides valuable support to all GB and NRA teams travelling overseas. GB volunteers will be coordinating swindle entries separately to the main Imperial competition entry

Awards: Details of the specific match awards are listed in the NRA Handbook.

Prize Giving: The Match Rifle Prizegiving will take place on Wednesday 15th July at 17:00 at the English XIII Clubhouse. First place awards will be presented as well as the top Tyro, GGG and Any Rifle competitors (where applicable)

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:
 - I am an individual member of the NRA (or temporary 'Meeting Member' by paying the Non-Member Fee)
 - 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
 - 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
- As an event entrant of the NRA, I acknowledge and agree to my data being held by the Association in accordance with the published GDPR policy on the NRA website: nra.org.uk/nra-data-privacy-notice-gdpr