



Fermoy Rifle Club European Open International Competition 2009.

at

Fermoy Rifle Club,
Ballyhooly, Co.Cork
Ireland.

11th - 12th July 2009.

GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION

The general competition rules of each competition, will apply. The decision of the Organizing Committee will be final in all matters.

ACCOMMODATION

If you require accommodation at Fermoy, please contact Fermoy Rifle Club at fermoyrifleclub@eircom.net.

AMMUNITION

Please use lead, and not hollow or soft point, ammunition. Otherwise, you risk disqualification. In order to protect equipment from unnecessary damage from ammunition that is too fast or powerful, please take care not to use magnum, armour piercing or high velocity jacketed rounds on steel plate targets (silhouette). Excessive power and speed are not needed to activate knockdown targets and will only shorten their useful life. Limits on power and speed will be enforced. The limits are as follows:

Smallbore: maximum velocity 1300 feet per second. We recommend low velocity ammo., e.g. Lapua Standard Club ; Eley Standard/Match.

If you require the use of Club Authorised Firearms (i.e Bolt Action Standard Brno), please apply directly to Fermoy Rifle Club who will have authorized firearms available. To use these firearms you must be an experienced competitor and the holder of a valid firearms certificate.

Centrefire: Where 9mm ammunition is used please use Sub Sonic 9mm.

DRESS CODE

Please refrain from wearing **yellow** items of outer clothing. This colour has been reserved for the Range Officers to make them clearly identifiable on the range. Do not wear combat or camouflage clothing at the meeting. This is inappropriate for a sporting event and you will be asked to change or leave the meeting. This does not apply to serving members of The Defence Forces or the Police Service who are attending in that capacity.

FIREARM CONTROL

All firearms are required to conform to the conditions specified for each event.

FIREARM SAFETY - OFF RANGE

While not engaged in a course of fire, firearms must be carried at Fermoy Rifle Club only in the following manner:

Pistols: the chamber must be empty and the pistol cased.

Revolvers: the cylinder must be empty and the hammer down and the revolver cased.

All rifles: the chamber and feed tube/magazine must be empty of rounds, detachable magazines removed and the rifle cased.

Range officers and staff will enforce these rules strictly. Anyone found to be in breach of these rules will have their case referred to the Meeting Committee and may be required to leave Fermoy Rifle Club immediately. Under no circumstances will a firearm be left unattended, or transported / carried uncased. Firearms must not be in public view if left locked in your vehicle - please lock securely in the booth of your vehicle. FRC will have a car park attendant to supervise parked vehicles.

FIREARM SAFETY - ON RANGE

Firearms must remain cased until a Range Officer gives you permission to uncase them. You may not pick up or adjust an uncased firearm, especially when there is anyone downrange, until a Range Officer gives you permission.

You may not load until instructed to do so by a Range Officer on the firing point.

Magazines may be pre loaded provided they are not inserted into the firearm.

Muzzles must be pointed downrange in a safe direction at all times.

When moving about the range during an event, pistol and revolver muzzles must be holstered, under Range Officer instruction. Rifles will be carried vertically with the muzzle up. Range officers and staff will enforce these rules strictly. Anyone found to be in breach of these rules will have the incident referred to the Meeting Committee and may be required to leave Fermoy Rifle Club immediately.

FIRST AID

Available on Site.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Permission to photograph or video any part of the meeting is required and can be obtained from Meeting Committee.

PRACTICE AND ZEROING

Details will be available at Fermoy Rifle Club Range Office / control. The Range will be open for practice / setting of sights etc on Friday 10th July. You must notify FRC Committee if you wish to use this facility.

PRIZES AND TROPHIES

Meeting medals will be awarded to first, second and third places in each event. Certain events may have further awards for classes. Trophies will be awarded to winning teams.

RANGE COMMANDS

To reduce potential confusion on range, the Meeting Committee has decided to standardize range commands as far as is practical. The default range commands are as follows:

1. **"LOAD AND MAKE READY"**

2 **"ARE YOU READY?"** Silence will be taken as agreement - any competitor who is not ready should call **"NOT READY"** and raise one arm, after which the RO will confirm **"NOT READY CALLED"** and wait for the competitor to sort things out before proceeding with another call of **"ARE YOU READY?"**

3. **"STAND BY"**

4. A few seconds later, the event will start. This will be signalled by the facing of turning targets, a whistle, a hooter, or some other signal as briefed by the RO.

5. **"STOP, STOP, STOP "** On hearing this command - at ANY point during the event - the competitor must cease shooting immediately, continue to point the gun in a safe direction, and wait for further instructions.

6. **"UNLOAD AND SHOW CLEAR"**.

Any variation to these range commands will be explained by the RO while briefing the course of fire at the start of the detail.

RANGE REPORTING TIMES

For squaddled events, competitors must report to the range at least 15 minutes before the time indicated on their squadding notice. Details will start on time and no competitor will be permitted to join a detail after the event has started. If a competitor misses his / her detail the detail will commence without that competitor.

REFUNDS

Entry fees will be refunded, less the administration fee of €10.00, if written notice of cancellation is received by **1st July 2009**. No refunds will be entertained for cancellations after that date.

REGISTRATION

Whether or not you have sent in an entry form before the meeting, please make Reception your first point of call on arrival. All competitors must register at Reception at the Range where they will be given their scorecards and Competitor Number. No competitor will be allowed to take part in any event without a Competitor Number. Entries will not be taken on the day of Competition.

SAFETY

There is no room for compromise on safety issues. All competitors are required to wear hearing and eye protection (unless otherwise stated in individual event conditions). Fermoy Rifle Club will not be liable for any injury sustained through the lack of appropriate protection. Spectators are strongly advised to do likewise and will be required to wear them within certain clearly marked areas.

SCORECARDS, STATS AND CHALLENGES

A scorecard will be issued for each event entered. The majority of scorecards require only that the number of hits of each value be recorded - calculation of actual scores will be carried out by Stats. The Stats portion of each card must be completed, signed by both the competitor and a RO, and handed to the RO for submission to Stats. When a competitor feels that a shot fired by him or by another competitor has been improperly evaluated or scored, he may make a challenge. Such challenge must be made immediately upon announcement of the score and resolved on the range. The challenge procedure will be displayed in the Stats. Office.

Interim results will be posted on the scoreboards at the Stats Office or at a convenient place on the range throughout the meeting.

Challenges to scores in the Interim results can be made at any time through Stats. Office personnel.

Provisional results will be posted for each event once it has closed and all scorecards have been input.

A time limit will be shown for challenges to Provisional results, after which the Final results will be posted and no further challenges will be accepted.

NB All competitors MUST ensure that their name and competitor number are printed clearly in the appropriate boxes on each scorecard and target - every year Stats encounter difficulty with unidentifiable and illegible scorecards.

Team Events.

Team events are open to teams of 4 shooters, all of who must belong to the same club; this must be the club declared on the entry form. "Scratch" teams with members from different clubs are specifically not permitted. The team entry must be made and the team members declared before the first member of the team shoots the event. Each shooter must enter the appropriate individual event; the score will carry forward to contribute to the overall team score (i.e. the event is not shot separately for a team score). All four scores will count. Each member of the team can shoot at any time during the meeting. A Team Trophy will be awarded to the winning team in each event.

**The following competitions will not be Team Events:
Benchrest, Youth Benchrest Event,**

Zeroing of Firearms for International Visitors.

Friday 10th July : 12 noon - 5.00pm.

(It is advisable to book your range and time.)

COMPETITION TIMES.

Saturday 11th July : 9.00am - 6.00pm.

Sunday 12th July : 9.00am - 4.00pm.

Prize Giving at 5.30pm Sunday 12th July at the Range.

Shooting Events

1. Gallery Rifle Smallbore 1500 Match.
2. Gallery Rifle Smallbore Timed & Precision 1.
3. Gallery Rifle Smallbore Multi Target.
4. Gallery Rifle Under Lever 1500 Match.
5. Gallery Rifle Under Lever Timed & Precision 1.
6. Gallery Rifle Under Lever Multi Target.
7. Smallbore Rifle 50 Mtr. Precision 20 shots.
8. Benchrest 50 Meter 50 shots.
9. Benchrest 100 Meter 50 shots.
10. Youth Benchrest 50 Meters 50 Shots.
11. Prone 50 Meters 40 shots.
12. Pistol 1: Timed & Precision 1 Smallbore.
13. Pistol 2: Timed & Precision 1 Centrefire.
14. Pistol 3: 20 Mtr Precision 20 shots Smallbore.

TIMED & PRECISION ONE (Pistol and Rifle.)

Ready Position: 45 degrees.

During practice 2 and 3 competitors are to return to the ready position between exposures.

Total of 30 shots.

Practice 1. 25 Metres.

12 shots in 2 minutes, to include a reload

The competitor will fire 12 shots, starting with 6 rounds and reloading with 6 rounds within 2 minutes.

Practice 2. 15 Metres.

12 shots in 2 strings of 6.

The target will make 6 appearances of 2 seconds with intervals of about 5 seconds. One shot only to be fired at each appearance.

This practice will be shot twice.

The competitor will return to the ready position between appearances.

Practice 3. 10 Metres.

6 shots:

The target will make 3 appearances of 3 seconds with intervals of about 5 seconds.

Two shots only to be fired at each appearance.

The competitor will return to the ready position between appearances.

**THE 1500MATCH (Rifle Small Bore .22, & Under Lever
.38 Spl.)**

Any sights.

Distances 10, 15, 25 and 50 metres

Positions Standing unsupported, sitting and kneeling

Ready position Rifles: parallel

Course of fire 150 shots

Match 1:

Stage 1: 10m 20secs 12 shots standing, including reload

Stage 2: 15m 20secs 12 shots standing, including reload

Match 2:

25m 90secs 6 shots kneeling

6 shots standing, left shoulder/hand

6 shots standing, right shoulder/hand

Match 3:

50m 165secs 6 shots kneeling

6 shots sitting

6 shots standing, left shoulder/hand

6 shots standing, right shoulder/hand

Match 4:

Stage 1: 25m 35secs 12 shots standing, including reload

Stage 2: 25m 35secs 12 shots standing, including reload

Match 5:

Stage 1:

10m 20secs 12 shots standing, including reload

Stage 2:

25m 90secs 6 shots kneeling

6 shots standing, left shoulder/hand

6 shots standing, right shoulder/hand

Stage 3:

50m 165secs 6 shots kneeling

6 shots sitting

6 shots standing, left shoulder/hand

6 shots standing, right shoulder/hand

Stage 4:

25m 12secs 6 shots standing

All reloading to be carried out after changing position.

Multi Target. (Rifle).

Position: Standing Unsupported.

Ready Position : 45 Degrees.

Practice 1 25 Metres.

The Target will make one appearance of 15 seconds, during which the competitor will fire 6 shots **on the left hand target.**

Practice 2. 20 Metres.

The targets will make one appearance of 10 seconds, during which the competitor will fire 3 shots **on each target.**

Practice 3. 15 Metres.

The target will make 3 appearances of 3 seconds each, with intervals of 5 seconds.

At each appearance 2 shots are to be fired on the **Right Hand Target.**

The Competitor must return to the ready position between appearances.

Practice 4. 10 Metres.

The targets will make one appearance of 8 seconds, during which the competitor will fire 3 shots **on each target.**

Small Bore 50 Mtr. Precision.

This event will be shot in the standing position unsupported. Time allowed will be 30 minutes, with 20 shots to be fired within that time. Spotters, and spotting scopes allowed. The competitor may use open sights, aperture sights or telescopic sights. The use of Red Dot or Laser sights is prohibited.

20 shots will be fired on one single Black Bull target. Each competitor will have a "zeroing bull", to warm up but once the competitor has commenced firing on the competition target he / she will not be permitted to return to the "zeroing target". The 30 minute time will include the time spent by the competitor on the zeroing target". A line will be drawn under the Zeroing Bull, and any shots falling below this line will be scored as competition shots.

Benchrest.

50 mtr event - 2 cards. 25 shots on each card.
100 mtr. Event - 2 cards. 25 shots on each card.
30 minute detail per card.

Normal Benchrest Rules Apply.

There will be 3 classes, Unlimited, Sporting, Custom.

This is not a TEAM EVENT.

Youth Benchrest is for competitors aged 16 - 18 years.

Proof of Age may be requested. **The 50 meter prone target will be used for this event. 5 shots on each diagram. 20 shots in total.**

Pistol / Revolver Competitions.

These are smallbore and centrefire events. If you intend using 9mm ammunition it is a requirement that you use ***sub sonic 9mm rounds.***

Pistol 1 & Pistol 2.

See details above under heading **Timed & Precision 1.**

Pistol 3.

Small Bore 20 Mtr. Precision.

This event will be shot in the standing position unsupported.
Time allowed will be 15 minutes, with 20 shots to be fired within that time. Spotters, and spotting scopes allowed. The competitor may use open sights, aperture sights or telescopic sights. The use of Red Dot or Laser sights is prohibited.

20 shots will be fired on one single Black Bull target.
Each competitor will have a "zeroing bull", to warm up but once the competitor has commenced firing on the competition target he / she will not be permitted to return to the "zeroing target". The 15 minute time will include the time spent by the competitor on the zeroing target". A line will be drawn under the Zeroing Bull, and any shots falling below this line will be scored as competition shots.

Single Shot / Semi Automatic Pistol / Revolvers permitted.

Team Entries.

Please note that you **MUST** complete a Team Entry Form for each Team entered in each competition.

Team Entry Forms when submitted must be accompanied by a €10.00 entry fee and give names of Team Members.

All Team members must be from the same Club.

Team entries do not apply in Benchrest Competitions.

**All details MUST be submitted before the 20th June 2009.
No applications will be entertained after that date.**