

State Shoot Criteria & Application

Goals

1. Promote a consistent and high quality shoot for the shooters.
2. Make it easier for a range manager to put on the shoot by defining the shoot structure.
3. Promote the Host Club/Range through statewide exposure to the shooters.

Qualifying for the State Shoot

1. The Club/Range must be an NSCA and PSCA member in good standing.
2. Club Management must have held a PSCA Zone or State Shoot, or other significant shoots at the discretion of the PSCA board.
3. All clubs wishing to host the state shoot must hold registered NSCA Class Shoot(s) resulting in 15,000 targets being thrown during each of the following years:
 - The year prior to State Shoot application.
 - The year they apply for the State Shoot.
 - The year prior to hosting the shoot.

Awarding the State Shoot

1. The State Shoot Criteria/Proposal must be completed by the Club/Range and submitted to the PSCA Shoot Coordinator at least 90 days prior to the Annual State Meeting - held at the Pa State Shoot. This will allow for PSCA Board approval and advertising of the proposal prior to the Annual State Meeting.
2. The target date for the shoot will be the 3rd weekend of July. Any other date must be included as part of the club's proposal with an explanation and is subject to PSCA Board approval.
3. Each Range Owner/Manager will be provided time at the State Meeting to make a presentation to the membership of their shoot proposal.

4. Each Club/Range will be provided space at the State Shoot to display information on their facility and the events they are proposing.
5. The Club/Range will be selected by popular vote at the Pa State Shoot. Balloting will be available at the completion of the Annual Meeting and close at 3PM Sunday - when ballots will be counted. The winning Club/Range will be announced at the Main Event Award Ceremony.
6. Upon being awarded the State Championship, the host club must pay their NSCA & PSCA dues for the 2 years necessary to host the events. This will allow for early scheduling and publication of the events with the NSCA.
7. Upon being awarded a PA State Shoot, a representative from the host club must attend a minimum of 2 monthly PSCA Board meetings. This will allow the host club to give updates on their preparation for the event and will allow the PSCA Board to make recommendations or answer any questions the host club may have.

How to setup and Run the State Shoot

Shoot Format

1. Rules - All current rules and regulations of the NSCA will be in effect.
2. Main Event Format: 2 day - 200 Targets. (100 Saturday & 100 Sunday)
3. 12 Gauge Preliminary Event Format: 2 day - 100 Targets. (All Prelim events to be held Thursday & Friday)
4. 5-Stand and other Preliminary Events Format: 2 day - 50 Targets each. (All Prelim events to be held Thursday & Friday)
5. FITASC Event Format: 50 Targets.
6. State Shoot Flyer - A shoot flyer must be mailed to all PA resident NSCA members at least 3 months in advance of the shoot. Clear directions must be on

the flyers. The Club/Range address as well as the GPS Coordinates (If possible) must be on the flyer.

7. Event Registration - The Main Event MUST be pre-registered. All other events MUST offer pre-registration. Main Event registration after the first of June will be subject to a late fee. All NSCA & PSCA fees MUST be included in the event costs.
8. Shooter Requirements - All Pa residents who are members in good standing with the NSCA are members of the PSCA. Any shooter, who desires to shoot the State Shoot and is not a member of NSCA, may join on the day of the event. Hunter or Open Class may be offered for a full paid entry.
9. Target Requirements - Registered Target requirements and associated penalties are described in the current NSCA rule book.
10. Event Squadding - The Main Event, 5-Stand, and FITASC MUST be squadded and scheduled. If the 12ga Prelim and the other Preliminary events utilize the same course, then the 12ga Prelim must be shot first (NSCA Rule). Shooters will not be allowed on the course when not competing.
11. Scoring Software - WinScore is provided by the PSCA and MUST be used. Any other option must be included in the club's proposal and approved by the PSCA Board prior to the event.
12. Leader Board - A Leader Board will be placed and maintained in a central location.
 - List all shooters
 - Indicate resident status
 - Classes
 - Concurrents
 - Option Results
 - Show scores for all events and games
 - Computer Printouts or hand written will be accepted
 - Tie Breaker Stations
 - Protest Committee
 - Shooter Notifications
 - Shoot-off Format, Schedule and Location

13. Shoot-offs - The Following must be addressed for **Shoot-offs**:

Preliminary Events:

HOA and First In Class will be shot off, all other ties will be broken by either predetermined POSTED Tie breaker stations or long run.

Main Event:

HOA, RU, and 3rd as well as 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in Class will be shot off. All other ties will be broken by either predetermined POSTED Tie breaker stations or long run.

FITASC:

HOA and First In Class will be shot off by the rules governing FITASC.

- Shoot-off Format, Schedule and Locations must be approved by the PSCA Board prior to the start of the event.
- Prominent Shoot-off Board stating Who, When and Where.
- Use a pre-determined course of fire.
- Use an area not involved in the next days shooting.
- Use separate Shoot-off areas for M-A and B-E so they can be held at the SAME time.
- 3-Pair - would be recommended.
- Try to deal with the Shoot-off as early as possible (Prelims on Friday).

14. GAMES - All games such as long bird, make a break, flush, etc. will be up to the shoot promoter. Club rules will be in effect. However, all game rules, including payout structure, shoot-off structure and the final winning of the event must be clearly written down and POSTED at the Leader Board and the place where the shooting is to be done.

Trophies, Awards, Shoot Reporting

1. Trophy Schedule:

| | | HOA | | | | HAA | | | | |
|------------------|------------|-----------------------|-------|---------|--------|-----------------------|-------|-------------|---------|-------|
| | | 200 | 100 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | 50 | HIGHEST | |
| | RES | Non-R | P'LIM | 5 STD | FITASC | 20 GA | 28 GA | 410 | PUMP | S x S |
| HOA | T,P | T | T | T | T | T | T | T | T | T |
| RU | T,P | | T | | | | | | | |
| 3rd | P | | | | | | | | | |
| M1 | T,P | T | T | M | M | M | M | M | M | M |
| M2 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| M3 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| AA1 | T,P | T | T | M | M | M | M | M | M | M |
| AA2 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| AA3 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| A1 | T,P | T | T | M | M | M | M | M | M | M |
| A2 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| A3 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| B1 | T,P | T | T | M | M | M | M | M | M | M |
| B2 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| B3 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| C1 | T,P | T | T | M | M | M | M | M | M | M |
| C2 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| C3 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| D1 | T,P | T | T | M | M | M | M | M | M | M |
| D2 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| D3 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| E1 | T,P | T | T | M | M | M | M | M | M | M |
| E2 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| E3 | T | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| LDY1 | T,P | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| LDY2 | T | | T | | | | | | | |
| LDY3 | T | | | | | | | | | |
| SJ1 | T,P | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| SJ2 | T | | | | | | | | | |
| SJ3 | T | | | | | | | | | |
| J1 | T,P | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| J2 | T | | | | | | | | | |
| J3 | T | | | | | | | | | |
| VT1 | T,P | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| VT2 | T | | T | | | | | | | |
| VT3 | T | | T | | | | | | | |
| SV1 | T,P | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
| SV2 | T | | T | | | | | | | |
| SV3 | T | | T | | | | | | | |
| SSV1 | T,P | | T | M | M | M | M | M | | |
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| TROPHY | 84 | HOA - 400 TGTS | | | | HAA - 200 TGTS | | | | |
| MEDALS | 144 | MAIN | | FITASC* | | 20 GA | | 410 BORE | | |
| NSCA PINS | 15 | P'LIM | | 5 STAND | | 28 GA | | PUMP or SxS | | |

NOTES:

The PSCA will provide all of the Main Event trophies. This includes PA Champion, Runner-up, Non-Resident Champion, Class & Concurrent, 1 for HOA (4-12 gauge events) & 1 for HAA (4-Prelim events).

The NSCA will provide the resident Pins.

The Host Facility will provide all other Awards.

When FITASC is not offered, the trophy for HOA will consist of 3 Events totaling 350 targets. (Main, Prelim, & 5-Stand)

HAA trophy will consist of 4 Events totaling 200 targets. (3 sub-gauge events + competitor's highest score from the pump gun or side x side events)

2. Payout Structure* - The host club **MUST** pay Main Event HOA and Runner-up monies. The monetary amount **MUST** be greater than any single amount paid to any Class winner. All other payouts are optional, there will be no mandatory money added to the shoot cost. It is recommended that the following Options be made available:
 - HOA
 - High Gun in Class
 - Lewis
 - "Kids & Clays Ronald McDonald Lewis"
 - Concurrent

*The host club may acquire sponsorships to cover any proposed payout, for HOA, R-U, Class or Purse. This payout proposal must be included with the original shoot criteria/proposal for PSCA Board approval prior to being awarded the shoot.

3. Guns - PSCA will provide 2 guns to be awarded as door prizes.
4. Options - All money paid for **Options** will be paid back to the appropriate shooter. (100% of all money paid in is paid out) - NSCA Rule.
5. Concurrent - Concurrents are eligible for both class and concurrent prizes. (Example: Shooter X wins class "C" and is also a Junior. He/she is entitled to 1st in "C" class as well as placement in Juniors).

6. Results - Summary Results and payments must be mailed to all competitors within 2 weeks of the shoot (Sunday). Unofficial results must be accessible via Internet and sent (Electronically) to the PSCA within 2 days. Complete official results will be posted on the PSCA Web site within two weeks.

Shooting Ground Requirements

1. Insurance - The shooting ground owner or promoter shall be required to furnish insurance for the EVENT and a certificate of insurance will be on hand at the time of the shoot. The policy must list the PSCA as well as the Shooting Ground, and Shoot promoter. This insurance will be the responsibility of the owner/promoter and not the PSCA.
2. Referees - Referees must be Certified NSCA Referees or must be trained by an NSCA Certified Referee prior to the shoot. The score keepers will be responsible for keeping a master sheet on the course. Each shooters score will be recorded twice, once on the individual score sheet and once on the master sheet. Two Certified NSCA Referees must be available for the Shoot.
3. Drinking Water - There **MUST** be water at **LEAST** every third station regardless of distance between stations.
4. Rest Rooms - There must be rest rooms (portable facilities) set up at no less than three locations on the course. This is not to preclude the placing of facilities at the 5-stand location or the FITASC parcours. These facilities must be maintained during the weekend.
5. Gun Racks - There must be a gun rack at each shooting station.
6. Seating - There must be a place to sit at each station.
7. Traps - Courses will use all automatic traps.
8. Shooting Cages - Shooting boxes are to be constructed to prevent a chance injury. (i.e., boxes that can tip over, have bad flooring, and that are poorly constructed, should not be used).
9. Dinner - Saturday evening dinner is to be provided for every Main Event Entry.

10. Annual Meeting - Facilities for the Annual Meeting must be provided (Seating, Public Address, and Lighting)

Meeting the Criteria

If the Host Facility meets all the State Shoot Criteria, they shall be eligible for monetary performance bonus from the PSCA. The amount of the bonus shall be determined by a majority vote of the PSCA Board at the first PSCA Board meeting following the State Shoot. **This amount shall not exceed \$4000.**

Considerations

1. Considerations - Not rules - just thoughts
 - Target Setting: Obtain a known target setter
 1. The name will draw shooters
 2. It is one less thing to worry about
 3. Gives you a chance to work with them
 4. It gives you different ideas for your course
 5. Eliminates complaining about the targets
 - Traps: Rent Autos for entire event
 1. They come with setting and Maintenance crew (less help needed by host club)
 2. It is one less thing to worry about
 3. More flexibility for setting
 - WinScore Specialist : Hire a pro to run WinScore for the shoot
 1. They can make the system do anything
 2. It is one less thing to worry about
 3. They are fast at entry
 4. They can provide results for shoot-offs quickly
 5. They can get results on the Web for you - fast
 6. They can report to NSCA - fast
 7. They can get you final results out - fast
 8. Your computer specialist can learn tricks from them
 - Rain: Trap protection, weather resistant score card and water control.

- Hot & Dry: More drinking water, dust control & shade available.
- Medical Support: have First Aid kits available, inquire about skills on hand & alert EMS of event.
- Food: Money to be made from a kitchen - also keeps shooters happy.
- Course Trail: Carts have become a standard, it would be nice to:
 1. Have a 2 groove path
 2. Not have to back-up
 3. Have the trail be safe at all times
 4. Not have the shooters waiting on the path.
 5. Have traffic flow in 1 direction.
 6. Shooter's Golf cars and ATV's are permitted on the course, but they are not allowed to pull trailers.

Pennsylvania Sporting Clays Association

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Application to Host the PA State Championship

This application must be completed by the Club/Range and submitted to the PSCA Shoot Coordinator at least 1 month prior to the Annual State Meeting - held at the PA State Championship.

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| Club Name: | |
| Location: | Website: |
| Club Contact: | |
| Email: | |
| Home Phone: | Work Phone: |

(Please provide pictures of your facility if possible)

| Club/Range Information | | |
|---|----------|----------------------|
| Years in Operation: | Acreage: | Handicap Accessible? |
| Describe your parking situation: | | |
| Do you have room for vehicles w/trailers? | | How many? |
| Do you have camper/RV hookups? | | How many? |

| Sporting Clays Information | | |
|--|----------------|----------------------|
| Years in Operation: | Acreage: | # of Stations: |
| # of Manual Traps: | | # of Automatic Traps |
| Do you have a 5-Stand? | Is it covered? | Lighted? |
| Describe your course & trails: | | |
| Unique Features of your facility: | | |
| How many NSCA Registered Tournaments do you host per year? | | |

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| Club/Range Location | |
| Physical Address: | |
| What is the closest nearby town? | City? |
| Distance from Harrisburg: | Travel time: |
| Distance from Philadelphia: | Travel time: |
| Distance from Pittsburgh: | Travel time: |
| Distance from Erie: | Travel time: |
| Distance from Scranton: | Travel time: |

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| Local Facilities | | |
| Hotels/Motels | Distance-Travel Time | Room Rate |
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| Campgrounds | Restaurants | Distance |
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Other nearby Sporting Clays Ranges:

Other nearby Points of Interest:

| Event Proposal | | |
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| Event | Cost | Target Setter |
| 200 Bird Main Event | | |
| 100 Bird Preliminary Event | | |
| 50 Bird 5-Stand Event | | |
| 50 Bird FITASC Event | | |
| 50 Bird Sub-Gauge Events | | |
| 50 Bird Pump and SxS Events | | |
| List of additional games & events: | | |
| Are you hiring a Winscore Specialist? | | Who? |
| Will you be acquiring additional automatic traps? | | |
| How many? | From Who? | |
| Other Miscellaneous Items: | | |

| Acceptance |
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| I agree to adhere to the proposal and criteria listed above. |
| <i>Signature:</i> |

| PSCA Board Acceptance |
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| Shoot Coordinator <i>Signature:</i> |
| PSCA Board Member Designated Contact: |