

PA Zone 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.
4. Prepare the Host Club/Range for large shoots, including the PA State Championship.

Qualifying for a PA Zone Shoot

1. The Club/Range must be an NSCA and PSCA member in good standing.
2. Club Management must have held an NSCA Class Shoot.
3. All clubs wishing to host a PA Zone Shoot must hold registered NSCA Class Shoot(s) resulting in 10,000 targets being thrown during each of the following years:
 - The year prior to PA Zone Shoot Application.
 - The year they apply for the PA Zone shoot.
 - The year prior to hosting the shoot.

Awarding the PA Zone Shoots

1. The Zone 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 Eastern Zone will be the first weekend in June. The target date for Western Zone will be the second weekend in June. 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 a PA Zone Shoot, 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 Zone Shoot

Shoot Format

1. Rules - All current rules and regulations of the NSCA will be in effect.
2. Main Event Format: 1 day - 100 Targets.
3. Price - The cost of the Main Event (including fees) shall not exceed \$86 without PSCA Board approval.
4. All other events are optional. A 2nd day is optional as well.
5. Price - The cost of any 50/100 target Prelim Event (including fees) shall not exceed \$38/\$76 without PSCA Board approval.

6. Zone Shoot Flyer - A shoot flyer must be mailed to all PA resident NSCA members at least 30 days 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 - All events MUST offer pre-registration. 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 PA Zone 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. Event Squading - All events may use European rotation, as determined by the host club. 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.
10. 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.
11. Leader Board - 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

12. Shoot-offs - The Following should be addressed for **Shoot-offs**:

Preliminary Events:

HOA in the 12 gauge Prelim Event will be shot off, all other ties will be broken by either predetermined POSTED Tie breaker stations or long run.

Main Event:

HOA and 1st in Class will be shot off. All other ties will be broken by either predetermined POSTED Tie breaker stations or long run.

- 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 Main Event shooting.
- 3-Pair - would be recommended.
- Try to deal with the Shoot-off as early as possible (Prelims on Saturday)

13. GAMES - All games such as long bird, make or 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 - All trophies shall be provided by the host club. The following are the minimum:

Main Event

HOA (1)

Runner-up (1),

1st in Class (M-E) (7 total)

1st in Concurrent (lady, jr, sub-jr, vet, super-vet & sr. super-vet) (6 total)

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. Paybacks are all optional, there will be no mandatory money added to the event costs. 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.

The PSCA will contribute \$1,000.00 for the Main Event and \$500.00 for the 12 gauge Prelim Event to be given out in a Lewis to all NSCA Members in good standing who pay full entry fee for the events.

3. 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.
4. Concurrents - Concurrents will be eligible for both class and concurrent prizes. (Example: Shooter X wins class "C" and is also a Junior. Then he/she is entitled to 1st in "C" class as well as placement in Juniors).
5. 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 shooter's score will be recorded twice; once on the individual score sheet and once on the master sheet. One Certified NSCA Referee 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. 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).

Considerations

1. Considerations - Not rules - just thoughts
 - Rain: Trap & scorekeeper protection, weather resistant score card and control.
 - Hot & Dry: More water, dust control, shade.
 - Medical Support: First Aid kits, inquire about skills on hand, alert EMS of event.
 - Food: Money to be made from a kitchen - also keeps shooters happy.
 - Traps: Rent Autos for entire event
 1. They come with setting and Maintenance crew (less help needed by the host club)

2. It is one less thing to worry about
 3. More flexibility for setting
- 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. Not allow shooters to pull trailers, etc. behind their shooting carts and ATV's.

State Shoot Eligibility

The year after hosting a PA Zone Shoot, a host club may submit a proposal to host the PA State Championship, as per the State Shoot Criteria.

Pennsylvania Sporting Clays Association

www.pasportingclays.com

Application to Host a PA Zone Shoot

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.

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?		

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:

Local Facilities		
Hotels/Motels	Distance-Travel Time	Room Rate
Campgrounds	Restaurants	Distance

Other nearby Sporting Clays Ranges:

Other nearby Points of Interest:

Event Proposal			
Event	YES	NO	Target Setter
100 Bird Main Event	X		
100 Bird Preliminary Event			
50 Bird 5-Stand 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
I agree to adhere to the proposal and criteria listed above.
<i>Signature:</i>

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