



WESTERN PROVINCE METALLIC SILHOUETTE SHOOTING ASSOCIATION WESTELIKE PROVINSIE METAALSILHOUËT SKIETVERENIGING

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Postal Shoot Rules

(As approved by the Executive Committee on 30th June 2009)

1. Definitions

WPMSSA organize formal **league shoot** competitions under direct control of the association with the object to

- Promote the sport of metallic silhouette shooting;
- Create a competitive environment where members can improve their abilities;
- Enable members to log their scores and therefore prove their activity in the sport required for dedicated status and other legal requirements;
- Use the competitions as part of the selection process to select provincial teams to represent the association at the annual national championships.

A **postal shoot** is a competition with the same objectives as a formal league shoot competition, but organized and hosted by affiliated clubs and/or individual members. To be approved by the association, a postal shoot needs to comply with the rules and requirements as set out in this document.

2. Purpose

To offer all WPMSSA members equal opportunity to participate and compete in a standardized competition conforming to the rules of the formal league shoot competitions.

3. Participation

Although WPMSSA affiliated clubs may host a postal shoot for all their members at club level, only the scores of the WPMSSA members will be recorded by WPMSSA. Individual WPMSSA members may organize a postal shoot on a club or private range and submit their scores to be recorded by WPMSSA.

4. Competition Rules

The competition must comply with the IMSSU rules as well as the SAMSSA In-House rules. The following deviations from the normal SAMSSA sanctioned matches are allowed:

- Twenty shots per event are required.
- Five sighter shots may or may not be shot. A decision for one or the other must be applied consistently throughout the competition.
- Not all the official events need to be offered. This also allows for a subset of the events to be offered where the range cannot accommodate all the events.

5. Criteria for acceptance of scores

WPMSSA requires that the following criteria be met for the scores of a postal shoot to be accepted:

- The club and/or member must be a fully paid up WPMSSA affiliated club and/or member on the date of the competition.
- In addition, the member must be a fully paid up SAMSSA member on the date of the competition for the scores to be taken into account for the dedicated status requirements and/or provincial team selection.

- The fully completed scorecard must be submitted to WPMSSA with all of the following information:
 - Range and date of competition
 - Membership number, name and surname of competitor
 - Fire-arm manufacturer/model, calibre and serial number
 - Event number and event name
 - Score marks indicating hit or miss of each shot and total
 - Name in print and signature of competitor
 - Name in print and signature of scorer (must be WPMSSA member)
 - Name in print and signature of range-officer (must be SAMSSA range-officer)

Scorecards without the fire-arm serial number and undecipherable names of signatories will automatically be disqualified from being recorded.

Note that when the competition is organized by an affiliated club, the information may be summarized and submitted electronically by a WPMSSA approved representative. The representative must in this case confirm that the scorecards were completed according to the requirements and the targets and range setup conformed to the SAMSSA specifications. The original scorecards must be kept for verification at least up to the end of the WPMSSA shooting calendar.
- One or more SAMSSA range-officer(s) must be present during the competition. The range-officer(s) are not required to do explicit range-officer duties, but are required to sign the scorecards and do spot checks on fire-arms. In the case of private ranges, the range-officer must especially check that the targets and the range setup conforms to SAMSSA specifications.
- On receipt of a scorecard signed by the scorer and range-officer, WPMSSA accepts that the competition conformed to the rules.

6. Administrative provisions and regulations

- The event fee for postal shoots is half the senior event fee amount of the league shoots. There is no discount for juniors or pensioners.
- Postal shoot results must be submitted to WPMSSA with proof of payment within two weeks after the competition.
- The official WPMSSA shooting calendar runs from the date of the SA National Championships to the next SA National Championships. The provincial teams are announced at the last league shoot approximately three weeks before the SA National Championships. Note that where relevant, postal shoot results need to be submitted three days before the last league shoot for the scores to be taken into account for the team selection.
- Where a member becomes eligible to be selected for the provincial team, but has never represented the province before, WPMSSA will require that the member must have attended at least one formal league shoot.
- It must be understood that WPMSSA has the responsibility to ensure the integrity of the submitted scores. WPMSSA may at any time inspect the range used for a postal shoot, audit the scorecards and/or request members to produce their fire-arms for scrutineering.