## 2024 TERRITORIAL PROGRAM FORMAT

The following is a short preview of the steps taken to complete a successful Territorial Match.

1. Individual club applies for an application to NMLRA Territorial Match Coordinator. You need to return the completed 2024 application along with the questionnaire, and signed acknowledgement that you have read and understand entire application and host package. Coordinator returns application, questionnaire, and guidelines to potential sponsor.
2. Our advertising for Territorial's starts in the January issue of Muzzle Blasts. The deadline for applying for a 2024 Territorial is DECEMBER 10, 2023. Muzzle Blasts has a one-month lead time on printing. This means you do not get an ad until the month after we receive and approve your application.
3. Territorial Coordinator reviews application, verifies through the Field Representative, and identifies the NMLRA Official Representative.
4. Territorial Coordinator ensures advertisement of each match is provided to the Editor of Muzzle Blasts in time for insertion prior to individual Territorial.
5. Prior to approved Territorial, the Territorial Coordinator will send the Match Director the following: rule books, scoring aids, report forms, awards, membership applications, and registration forms. These will be mailed from the NMLRA office.
6. Following the event, the sponsor sends the match results, NMLRA share receipts, membership applications, all unused supplies, awards, etc., and any picture and/or article to the NMLRA office. (All materials and match results must be returned within 14 days of the match.)
7. Send all completed paperwork after the match to the NMLRA.

NMLRA
Attn: Territorial Program
National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association
P.O. Box 67

Friendship, IN 47021
(800) 745-1493
8. The Territorial Coordinator submits articles and/or pictures to Muzzle Blasts.

The following pages provide detailed information on the many facets of the program. Should clarification be needed, contact the Territorial Coordinator.

# NATIONAL TERRITORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE (Required before application approval) 

This questionnaire is part of the Territorial Application. It is to be answered by the person that will serve as Match Director. Read over the Territorial Guidelines and NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations. Then, use the guidelines to answer the following questions. The purpose of the questionnaire is to ensure a thorough understanding of the guidelines, so that any misunderstanding may be corrected before the match, in order for all matches to be consistent in all territories.

1. Who is eligible to compete in the Territorial Matches, and what must this person show to register and become a competitor? $\qquad$
2. Can individual matches be entered? $\qquad$
3. What forms, materials and funds must be returned to the NMLRA office and to who's attention?
When must the forms, materials and funds be received by the NMLRA?
4. How long do competitors have to examine the official posting of scores and winners before they become official? $\qquad$
5. What is the time period of a Territorial Match Relay? Except
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6. Can the sponsor award additional medals, merchandise, or "Grand Prize," other than the NMLRA Territorial Awards or the Territorial 50 Club patch, Territorial 100 Club Patch, or State Territorial Top Gun Patch?
7. Who will be eligible to compete in the National Territorial Championships?
8. Explain how Aggregate CC is scored. $\qquad$
9. Are scopes allowed in Aggregate V? $\qquad$
10. What shooting positions may be used in Aggregate V? $\qquad$
11. What are registration and aggregate fees for members? $\qquad$ Juniors? $\qquad$ Non-Members? $\qquad$
12. Which aggregates are provisional, and no awards will be given for those aggregates?
13. Are there any free aggregates offered? $\qquad$ If so, which ones? $\qquad$
14. What are the changes in Aggregate F? (Cross Sticks)
15. What is the deadline for applying for a 2024 Territorial?
16. Is re-entry allowed for any aggregate? ___ If yes, which aggregates allow re-entry? $\qquad$
17. If a target becomes unattached to the target backer due to natural occurrences, such as winds, during a match, is that considered an equipment failure, therefore a valid alibi?
$\qquad$ Yes $\qquad$ NO If so, what is the proper procedure permitted to the competitor?

## 2024 NATIONAL TERRITORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP APPLICATION

## TERRITORY APPLIED FOR:

Date of Territorial:
Alternate Date:
Sponsor Club: $\qquad$
Match Director:
Mailing Address:
City/State/Zip:
$\qquad$
UPS Address: $\qquad$
City/State/Zip:
Telephone: Home: $\qquad$ Work: $\qquad$
e-mail address:
Is the Match Director the person to contact by those responding to advertising?:
Yes $\qquad$ No
If not, give the complete mailing address of the person to be contacted:
Name:
Mailing Address:
City/State/Zip: $\qquad$
e-mail address: $\qquad$
Range Location:
Number of Firing Points:
Does the Sponsor have Range Liability Insurance? $\qquad$ Yes $\qquad$ No
With whom, what amount, and expiration date:
$\qquad$
Check aggregates to be included on the Match Program:
A. Offhand
B. Flintlock $\qquad$ C. Bench $\qquad$ C-L. Ladies Bench
D. Musket
E. One-Gun
F. Cross-Stick $\qquad$ G. Ladies $\qquad$ H. Junior
I. Skeet J. Trap K. Pistol
L. Primitive (includes Mountain Man) plus 3 of the following:

Hawken $\qquad$ Free Trapper $\qquad$ Open Seneca $\qquad$ Rifle Frolic M. Sub-Junior___ N. Hunter's__ Sighted Smoothbore P. Unlimited Longhunter Q. Ladies Offhand R. Smoothbore S. Ladies Trap T. Intermediate $\qquad$
$\qquad$ V. Cartridge W. Light Bench $\qquad$
$\qquad$ Y. Youth Hunter's
Z. Ladies Skeet AA. Flintlock Trap BB. Flintlock Skeet
CC. Revolver DD. Inline Bench $\qquad$ EE. Re-entry Trap Traditional
FF. Re-entry Trap Any Muzzle Loading Shotgun

Chief Range Officer: $\qquad$
Protest Committee
NMLRA Official Representative: $\qquad$
Mailing Address: $\qquad$
City/State/Zip:
Telephone: Home: $\qquad$ Work:
Has the Sponsor Club conducted large (50+ competitors) matches? $\qquad$ Yes No

Please describe: $\qquad$
$\qquad$

The Sponsor Club, $\qquad$ agrees that, should this application be approved, they will conduct the National Territorial Match in accordance with the rules, policies, and guidelines of the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association.

President $\qquad$
(Sponsor Club President's signature is required)
Date: $\qquad$
Please list Name/Address/Title/Phone of another officer of the Sponsor Club, if the Match Director is also the club president.

Officer Title: $\qquad$
Name:
Address:
City/State/Zip:
Telephone: Home: $\qquad$ Work: $\qquad$ e-mail address:

Enclose pictures of each of the ranges that you will be using, i.e., paper, primitive, shotgun, and/or pistol. If you have chosen to run a simultaneous shoot with the Territorial Program, please enclose a detailed program of that shoot. It must be pre-approved to be eligible to run simultaneously with a territorial. Pictures are not required if your club has hosted previously.

## NATIONAL TERRITORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 MATCH GUIDELINES

It is the purpose of the National Territorial Championships to bring a national shooting program closer to black powder shooters nationwide. At the same time, recognition of these shooters, as they compete successfully in these matches, is of the utmost importance.

All Competitors who compete in a Territorial Aggregate will be considered when tabulating top scores for the year of 2024. Awards for the top three (3) places in each aggregate will be sent out at the end of the year. There will be a top ten listed for all aggregates soon after the end of the year 2023. The Championships will no longer be held at Friendship Indiana the following year.

In order for these matches, and the winners, to receive the recognition they deserve, it is important that there is a strong consistency throughout the entire Territorial Match Program. Therefore, the territorial matches MUST be conducted according to the rules and guidelines of the NMLRA.

The NMLRA will provide national advertising and promotion, an awards program, an NMLRA Official Representative, and necessary administrative support.

The sponsor should make arrangements for obtaining a suitable range facility; for answering responses to national advertising campaigns; the registration of entrants; collecting and accounting for match fees; insurance; posting, collecting, and scoring of targets, posting of scores; and awarding of medals.

If your club is NMLRA affiliated and carries insurance with the NRA endorsed insurance company which is Lockton Affinity, a Kansas City subsidiary of Lloyd's of London, no other insurance endorsement is needed. The toll free telephone number for them is 1-877-487-5407. No other insurance endorsement is needed. If not, you will have to contact your insurance company and get NMLRA named as an additional insured. NMLRA will pay the added expense.

This set of guidelines is provided to help conduct a match in such a way as to be a source of pride to the individual competitor, the sponsoring club, and the National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association. Your comments and suggestions are appreciated. Please put them in writing to help our review policies.

## 2024 APPLICATION

In order to sponsor a territorial match, the sponsor must apply to the Territorial Coordinator. An application form and an application questionnaire will be provided and must be completed and returned to the NMLRA office.

In order to promote cooperation between potential sponsors within each territory, it is suggested that various interested sponsors work together through your field representatives, in determining the most advantageous location for these matches. The possibility of rotating the site on a yearly basis should be considered. Two Territorials per state may be considered.

A standard format advertisement will be used in Muzzle Blasts and will be inserted in the Territorial Advertisement at the earliest possible time. If special advertising copy is also used in Muzzle Blasts, the sponsor will be responsible to Muzzle Blasts for the cost.

## MATCH PROGRAM

The sponsor is encouraged to choose at least twelve of the aggregates offered in the Territorial Program. A full description of the aggregates offered will follow at the end of the guidelines.

The sponsor is encouraged to include in the aggregates selected, the junior, unlimited longhunter, hunter, and ladies aggregates as well as the sub-junior matches to ensure that the National Territorial Match Program has something for the entire family. We need this new generation of competitors to ensure the survival of our sport!

A system of priorities of sponsorship has been established.
8.1 Rifle, pistol, and primitive matches could be held by one club in a territory, with shotgun matches (skeet and trap) at another club in the same territory. The two clubs would coordinate their reporting to the Territorial Match Coordinator.
8.2 Shotgun matches could stand alone in the event there was no sponsor for rifle and pistol matches.
8.3 Should more than one club from a state apply, priority will be given to charter clubs.

Additionally, a sponsor may have a simultaneous match in conjunction with the territorial. To have the simultaneous program approved, a description of the matches must accompany the application. Approval will only be given to a program that reflects the spirit of muzzle loading and is conducted according to the rules and guidelines of the NMLRA.

## PERSONNEL

In order to conduct a smoothly-run match, certain key positions must be filled before the match. A general description of the duties of these key positions follows:

The Territorial Committee is responsible to the NMLRA Board of Directors for proper administration of the National Territorial Championship Program. They also coordinate the related activities of Muzzle Blasts, NMLRA Field Representatives, and NMLRA Territorial Official Representatives. They procure and distribute awards, develop advertising programs, maintain records and reports, and correspond with sponsors and competitors. If possible, a member of the committee will attend territorial matches.

The Match Director is responsible for the general operation of a specified territorial match, to include registration, membership applications, scoring, posting of scores, reporting match results, and transfer of the NMLRA share of match receipts. He/she should be familiar with match operation and have a good working knowledge of the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations. The Match Director will be the contact person between the NMLRA Territorial Coordinator and sponsor. He /she may be a competitor. He/she will be provided a copy of the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations.

The Range Officer is responsible for range operation. He/she must have a full appreciation of the importance of safe range operation. $\mathrm{He} /$ she ensures adherence to appropriate sections of the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations. He/she may compete, but a responsible substitute must be appointed to serve his/her place as Range Officer when he/she is shooting. He/she will be provided a copy of the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations.

The Protest Committee is a group of three persons having a thorough knowledge of the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations, and the ability to apply those rules in an impartial manner. In the absence of rules, they must be able to express the "spirit of the match" in making decisions. They may compete, but must excuse themselves when considering protests involving their own scores, in which situation, a substitute must be appointed by the Match Director. One copy of the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations will be provided for use by the Protest Committee.

The NMLRA Official Representative is selected by the NMLRA Territorial Coordinator and serves as a consultant to the Match Director. He/she insures compliance with NMLRA policies and rules. He/she verifies match results and the match financial summary sheet. He/she offers an evaluation of the territorial match at which they officiate. He/she may be a competitor. He/she could be a Field Representative or a Director.

## COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY

Everyone who wishes to compete in a NMLRA Territorial is eligible.
Those who are NOT members of the NMLRA will pay a higher registration and aggregate fee. They will be eligible for all awards at a Territorial to include the top gun award for that Territorial and for overall Champion of the year.

COMPETITORS MUST SHOW A VALID NMLRA CARD TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE REDUCED REGISTRATION AND AGGREGATE FEES. Registration fee shall be $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 . 0 0}$, and each aggregate fee shall be $\$ 15.00$.

NON-MEMBERS of the NMLRA will be required to pay the increased registration and aggregate fees. Registration fee for NON-Members shall be $\mathbf{\$ 2 0 . 0 0}$ and each aggregate fee for NON-members shall be $\$ 20.00$.

Sub-Junior, Junior, and Intermediate competitors are required to pay a registration fee of $\mathbf{\$ 1 . 0 0}$ for each Territorial. Aggregate fee for Sub-Junior, Junior and Intermediate competitors shall be free.

NMLRA memberships may be purchased at time of registration. This purchase will extend the competitor's current NMLRA membership or affect a new membership. Membership application forms will be provided by the NMLRA and must be available at the registration desk.

Registration forms will be provided by the NMLRA and must be completed before the competitor is issued targets. These registration forms must be returned to the NMLRA office, along with other match reports. Copies may be made and retained by the sponsor for its' own use.

## ENTRY FEES

A registration fee of $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 . 0 0}$ per shooter must be charged for those who are members of the NMLRA. One half of this fee ( $\$ 7.50$ ) must be returned to the NMLRA, the other one half remains with the host club.

A registration fee of $\mathbf{\$ 2 0 . 0 0}$ per shooter must be charged for those who are NOT members of the NMLRA. One half of this fee, (\$10.00) must be returned to the NMLRA, the other half remains with the host club.

A registration fee of $\mathbf{\$ 1 . 0 0}$ per Sub-Junior, Junior, or Intermediate shooter, one half of this fee (\$0.50) must be returned to the NMLRA. The other half remains with the host club.

## AGGREGATE FEES

A fee for each Aggregate of $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 . 0 0}$ per shooter must be charged for those who are members of the
NMLRA. One half of this fee ( $\$ 7.50$ ) must be returned to the NMLRA, the other one half remains with the host club.

A fee for each Aggregate of $\mathbf{\$ 2 0 . 0 0}$ per shooter must be charged for those who are NOT members of the NMLRA one half of this fee, $(\$ 10.00)$ must be returned to the NMLRA, the other half remains with the host club.

## There is NO fee for Sub-Junior, Junior, or Intermediate Aggregates.

Individual matches may not be entered.
Fees over and above the registration fee and the aggregate fee are not permitted. (Exception; fees for shotgun aggregates may be higher to recoup costs of birds. NMLRA will get only $\$ 5.00$ of said aggregates.)

The sub-junior, junior, and Intermediate competitor must have a NMLRA sponsor.
The total aggregate fees, and registration fees collected for entry in the territorial matches are to be divided equally between the sponsor and the NMLRA. A Territorial Match Financial Summary Sheet will be provided by the NMLRA. This sheet is to be completed and returned, along with the NMLRA share of receipts, to the NMLRA Office. Attention: Territorial Program.

The NMLRA share should be in the form of a check or money order and made payable to: The National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association.

## TARGETS

Targets are to be supplied by the sponsor. The targets for each match are specified in the National Territorial Championship Match Program that follows. The targets used must comply with the description in the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations. The targets are to be fired as issued; aiming spots, dots, etc. are not allowed.

Targets may be purchased from the NMLRA or purchased from other sources selling NMLRA approved targets. (Contact Rick Repovsch about special ordering of targets, or for appropriate target substitution.)

When issued to a competitor, each target must be identified with the competitor's number along with match number.

Each match must be fired separately. One target cannot be scored and entered in two or more matches or aggregates.

All targets must be turned in after each relay, except for matches that allow two (2) consecutive relays. Consideration should be given to safety, speed, and prevention of target falsification.

## SCORING

Scoring will be in accordance with NMLRA rules. Scoring aids will be provided by the NMLRA, along with suggestions for improving scoring accuracy.

Scores fired in territorial match aggregates must be officially posted. After all scores in a territorial match have been posted, and winners identified on that official posting, a period of 30 minutes must be allowed in order for
competitors to examine their scores and the opportunity to file a protest if they are in disagreement of the posted scores.

## AWARDS

The aggregate awards will be: First place - gold medal, second place - silver medal, third place - bronze medal. Fourth and Fifth place aggregate medals will be given for Sub-Junior, Junior and Intermediate Aggregates. Individual match awards will also be awarded in all matches.

It is the intent of the territorial match to identify and recognize those shooters who have shown excellence in a given category of competition. Therefore, no "Grand Prize" award may be offered.

No awards, merchandise included, other than those permitted in this section of the Territorial Match Guidelines, may be offered. Exception to this: the awarding of the specially designed "Territorial 50 Club patches", "Territorial 100 Club patches", and "Top Gun" Patches for each Territorial.

Awards will be forwarded to the sponsor, in care of the Match Director, in adequate time to be on hand at the close of the match.

## REPORTING OF RESULTS

In order to gain deserved recognition, and to establish eligibility for the National Territorial Championships, match results must be reported to the NMLRA office within $\mathbf{1 4}$ days of your shoot. A form will be provided by the NMLRA for this report.

Match results will not be placed in the official files until the NMLRA share of match receipts has been received by the NMLRA.

Should the sponsor wish to have the results of the territorial match reported in Muzzle Blasts, they should forward any written narrative and good quality black and white photographs to the Territorial Match Coordinator.

It is preferred that all written narratives be typed and double-spaced. If photographs are submitted, be sure to identify the individuals. Do not mark on the photograph itself, but attach name lists, etc., to photograph margin.

## ADVERTISING

The NMLRA will provide advertising and promotional campaigns in various publications, on our home web page, and through several other member organizations. Individuals who respond to this campaign will be notified when a territorial match is approved in their vicinity.

Once approved, a given territorial match will be advertised in Muzzle Blasts at no charge to the sponsor. Should the sponsor wish more advertisement coverage, they will be responsible to Muzzle Blasts for the additional advertisement. The lead time between receipt of advertising copy and publication in Muzzle Blasts is three months.

The sponsor will be expected to provide specific territorial match information to the Territorial Match Coordinator, NMLRA Official Representative, and inquiring individuals, such as program details, camping information, directions, location, person(s) to contact, dates and hours, etc. Muzzle Blasts advertising will identify the sponsor, dates, location, and person to contact for further information.

## APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR TERRITORIAL MATCH

The Territorial Committee will be responsible for approving Territorial Match applications. Generally, the earliest application will be favored. The Field Representative or an official representative in the area may be contacted for his/her assistance in the evaluation of applications, if necessary. The NMLRA requests that an alternate date for the matches be included on the application due to conflicting Territorial's in the same region.

NMLRA club charter, range location within the territory, range suitability, camping facilities, and match operation experience will be among the points of consideration on determining acceptance of application.

As quickly as possible, the Territorial Committee will notify the applying sponsor of the approval or disapproval of its application.

## NATIONAL TERRITORIAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2023 AGGREGATE DESCRIPTIONS

The following descriptions of the aggregates comprising the territorial match is provided only as a reference, and should not be considered as describing all conditions of a given match or aggregate. The current edition of the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations should be consulted for specific information on targets, sights, positions, etc. (Note: Marksmanship is of prime importance. Therefore, sighting targets and spotting scopes are to be allowed except as expressly forbidden by the NMLRA Range Rules and regulations.) ****Note: All territorial relays are to be 30 minutes in duration, except ANY bench and musket, which may use two (2) consecutive relays.

## OFFHAND CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. A) (Flintlock or Percussion)

 (This qualifies for NMLRA Offhand Classification)One rifle, any metallic sights, offhand, one relay per match.

| Match A1 | 25 yards | Five shots | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| A2 | 50 yards | Five shots | Six bull 50-yard target (seven ring) |
| A3 | 50 yards | Five shots | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |
| A4 | 100 yards | Five shots | Single bull 100-yard target (seven ring) |

FLINTLOCK CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. B) (This qualities for NMLRA Offhand Classification)

One rifle, Traditional rifle, open sights, offhand, one relay per match. (Sights may be adjustable.)

| Match B5 | 25 yards | Five shots | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| B6 | 50 yards | Five shots | Six bull 50-yard target (seven ring) |
| B7 | 50 yards | Five shots | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |
| B8 | 100 yards | Five shots | Single bull 100-yard target (seven ring) |

BENCH REST CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. C)

One or more rifles, sights as noted, five shots each target. Two (2) consecutive relays may be used to fire each of these matches. Bench matches may be fired from the cross sticks, and they will still be allowed to use two (2) consecutive relays for each match.

| Match C9 | 50 yards | any metallic sights | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| C10 | 50 yards | any metallic sights | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| C11 | 100 yards | any metallic sights | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |
| C12 | 100 yards | any metallic sights | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |
|  | LADIES BENCH REST CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. C-L) |  |  |

One or more rifles, sights as noted, five shots each target. Two (2) consecutive relays may be used to fire each of these matches. Bench matches may be fired from the cross sticks, and they will still be allowed to use two (2) consecutive relays for each match.

| Match CL106 | 50 yards | any metallic sights | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| CL107 | 50 yards | any metallic sights | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| CL108 | 100 yards | any metallic sights | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |
| CL109 | 100 yards | any metallic sights | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |

## MUSKET CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. D)

One musket, as issue sights on an approved musket (See NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations), ten shots each target. Two (2) consecutive relays may be used to fire each of these matches. Guns must be inspected before firing any match in this aggregate.

| Match D13 | 50 yards | offhand | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) <br> D14 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 100 yards |  |  |  |
| D15 | 100 yards | any military position | offhand bull 100-yard target (seven ring) |
| 200-yard target |  |  |  |

## ONE GUN CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. E)

One rifle, 14 pound weight limit, open sights, five shots each target, position as noted, offhand, one relay per match, except for bench rest matches, which may use two (2) consecutive relays. Bench rest matches may be shot from the cross sticks position and still be allowed two (2) consecutive relays to complete the match. Sights may be adjustable. Guns must be inspected before firing any match in this aggregate.

| Match E16 | 50 yards | offhand | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| E17 | 50 yards | bench rest | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| E18 | 100 yards | offhand | Single bull 100-yard target (seven ring) |
| E19 | 100 yards | bench rest | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |

## CROSS STICK CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. F)

One or more rifles may be used, 14-pound weight limit, sights as noted, five shots each target. Cross sticks may be either round, oval, triangular, square, or rectangle. (THE SHAPE OF THE WOOD DOESN'T MATTER!) Cross sticks must be made of wood and may not exceed the following dimensions: 2 pieces of wood, no wider than $21 / 4 "$, and no thicker than $1 \frac{1}{4} "$ each. If they are round, they MUST not exceed $1 \frac{1}{4} /{ }^{\prime \prime}$ in diameter. The length of the sticks is up to the competitor. They may be pointed at one end to facilitate insertion into the ground. They may be driven into the ground with a hammer or other device for safety purposes. They may also have an additional spike added to the pointed end not to exceed 4 " in length. The pieces of wood must be BOLTED (with washers if desired) together to form an uneven X. They may have ONE layer of material on the sticks, either glued, strapped, tied, or laid on them to protect the rifle. All guns must be weighed before a match. All targets must be posted in the "natural" position. (i.e., no target may be posted upside-down or sideways.) No practice or record target may be posted at the same distance as another record target for the same relay. Only one record target may be posted during the same relay regardless of the distance. A practice target may be posted at one distance and a record target posted at another distance during the same relay. Only one $30-\mathrm{minute}$ relay allowed to complete each cross sticks match. Guns must be inspected before beginning a match. Sitting on a chair, stool, or bucket is allowed.
THESE RULES FOR THIS AGGREGATE DIFFER FROM THE OFFICIAL RULES OF THE NMLRA AND APPLY TO THE TERRITORIAL PROGRAM ONLY. THEY DO NOT AFFECT THE RULES FOR THE CROSS STICKS AGGREGATES SHOT AT THE NATIONAL SHOOTS AT FRIENDSHIP, INDIANA.

| Match F20 | 50 yards | any metallic sights | Five bull buffalo (Large rings) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| F21 | 50 yards | any metallic sights | Five bull buffalo (Large rings) |
| F22 | 100 yards | any metallic sights | Single bull buffalo |
| F23 | 100 yards | any metallic sights | Single bull buffalo |

## LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. G)

One or more rifles, any metallic sights, five shots each target, position as noted, one relay per match except for bench rest matches, which may use two (2) consecutive relays for each bench rest match. Bench rest matches may be fired from the cross sticks, and they will still be allowed to use two (2) consecutive relays for each match.

| Match G24 | 25 yards | offhand | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| G25 | 50 yards | offhand | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |
| G26 | 50 yards | bench rest | Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring) |
| G27 | 100 yards | bench rest | Single bull 100-yard target (eight ring) |

One or more rifles, any metallic sights, five shots each target, position as noted, one relay per match, except for bench rest matches, which may use two (2) consecutive relays for bench rest matches. Bench matches may be fired from the cross sticks and they will still be allowed to use two (2) consecutive relays for each match.

| Match H28 | 25 yards | bench rest | six bull (7 ring) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| H29 | 25 yards | offhand | Three bull 100-yard target |
| H30 | 50 yards | offhand | 100 yd (7 ring) |
| H31 | 50 yards | bench rest | 100 -yard (8 ring) |

## SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. I)

Singles are shot first, stations one through eight in a high-low sequence. Doubles are shot in the high-low sequence from stations one and two; and in the low-high sequence from stations six and seven. All birds shot out of proper sequence shall be scored lost. All birds must be properly thrown to be scored a hit or a miss. The 25th bird is the option bird shooter returns to the station where the first miss occurred. If a double bird is missed, the shooter shall call for another pair of doubles and shoot in the same sequence as the original miss, with only the original missed bird counting for score. The competitor may use two guns. If the competitor has shot 24 straight (clean), then the competitor chooses the option of where he/she wishes to shoot the 25 th bird.
Lo-Gun Match to be shot with gun lowered from the shoulder and be clearly down when the shooter calls for the bird. Upon release of the bird, shooter shall raise the gun to the shooting position and fire. Break open muzzle loading shotguns are allowed. See rule \# 2470 in NMLRA Rules and Regulations.

| Match I32a |  | 25 birds |
| ---: | :--- | ---: |
| I32b | Lo-Gun | 25 birds |
| I32c | Doubles | 24 birds |
| 132d | Singles | 16 birds |

## TRAP CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. J)

Break open muzzle loading shotguns are allowed. See rule \# 2470 in NMLRA Rules and Regulations.
Match J33 10 yards 15 birds
J34 16 yards $\quad 15$ birds
J35 20 yards 10 birds

## PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. K)

Percussion pistol or revolver, ten shots each target, to be fired in one relay. Scores fired will be submitted to the NMLRA Pistol Committee Chairperson. In order to obtain a National Pistol Classification, the territorial competitor must request NMLRA classification through the Pistol Committee Chairperson. One relay per match.

| Match K36 | 25 yards | slow fire | 25-yard pistol target |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| K37 | 25 yards | limited fire* | 25-yard pistol target |
| K38 | 50 yards | slow fire | 50-yard pistol target |
|  |  | *Time starts at first shot fired |  |

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The matches of this aggregate are designed to prove baseline skills in primitive competition. Distances should be unknown to competitors. Sighters are not usually fired and no spotting scopes are allowed. Sights should be as described in the NMLRA Range Rules and Regulations under the rules for the Primitive Range. Loading is to be from the pouch and horn/flask.

The targets involved are steel gongs and paper targets. The paper targets may be purchased from the NMLRA. A series of matches is offered to suit the needs of varying clubs. Any series must include the Mountain Man Match. Of the other matches presented, three must be selected and identified on the APPLICATION form.

These matches may be fired using firearms of either flint or percussion ignition. While period costume or clothing is recommended, it is not required.

## Match L39-Free Trapper

Target is standard six bull 50 yard, 7 ring black target. Range should be from 45 to 60 yards. One sighting shot permitted, five shots for record, one per bull, each shot to be fired from a different position: offhand, kneeling, sitting, prone, and cross stick. Maximum score - 50 points.

## Match L40-Hawken

Target is single bull 100 yard, 7 ring black target. Range is approximately 130 yards. Minimum caliber is .45 . Five shots for record, no sighters or spotting. Three shots are to be fired from a "chunk log" or cross sticks - to be determined before the match and same used by all competitors. Two shots are to be fired offhand. Maximum score - 50 points.
Match L41-Open Seneca
Four standard NMLRA animal silhouette targets and one "X" center target are to be used. A six bull 50-yard target overlay is used for scoring. This is a running event. The competitor runs about 150 yards before arriving at the first shooting position. There should then be a run of about 30 yards between each of the five shooting positions. The rifle must be loaded only at the firing position, and not on the run. The range at each position is different, the following ranges being suggested: $15,25,45,65$, and 75 yards. One shot is fired at each station. There is a ten minute time limit to complete the course. Over ten minutes disqualifies the competitor. The shorter time is used to break ties after X's. Maximum score - 50 points.

Match L42- Mountain Man (This match is required) Maximum score for this match is 100 points, based on six shots, knife and tomahawk throws, and fire-making. Ties are broken on the basis of fire-making time.

Part 1 - Split Ball on an Axe. Use a double bit axe embedded in end of log, with clay pigeons supported by nails on each side of axe head. Range should be 15 to 25 yards. One shot, both clay pigeons must be hit and broken in order to score. Scoring value is ten points.

Part 2 - Cut Playing Card. Use playing card supported in such a manner that only the edge is presented as a target. Range should be about 20 yards. One shot, the card must be cut cleanly into two pieces in order to score. Scoring value is ten points.

Part 3 - Cut Crossed Strings. Secure two strings in a frame a minimum of 12 inches square, in such a manner that a cross is presented as a target. Range should be about 25 yards. With one shot, both strings must be severed in order to score. Scoring value is ten points.

Part 4 - Tomahawk Throw. Secure a playing card to the end of a log. Three throws for score. One complete turn of the tomahawk is required. Cutting card scores five points. Sticking tomahawk scores one point; bonus for three sticks without ever cutting card, scores one point. Maximum scoring value is 15 points.

Part 5 - Knife Throw. Secure a playing card to the end of a log. Three throws for score. One complete turn of the knife is required. Cutting card scores five points. Sticking knife scores one point; bonus for three sticks without ever cutting card, scores one point. Maximum scoring value is 15 points.

Part 6 - Gongs. Three gongs set at match coordinator's discretion. Ten points per gong. Maximum scoring value is 30 points.

Part 7 - Fire-Making. Using flint, steel, and traditional form of tinder, the competitor makes a fire. The score is determined by the time elapsed from the first strike of flint and steel until an open flame is seen. A stop watch is required for timing.

Scoring value: 0 to 5 seconds - 10 points 6 to 10 seconds - 9 points 11 to 15 seconds - 8 points 16 to 20 seconds - 7 points 21 to 25 seconds - 6 points 26 to 30 seconds - 5 points 31 to 35 seconds - 4 points 36 to 40 seconds - 3 points 41 to 45 seconds - 2 points 46 to 50 seconds - 1 points over 51 seconds - 0 points
10 points possible.

## Match L43- Rifle Frolic

Target is the NMLRA Bottle Silhouette target. Range is 45 to 65 yards. Six shots are fired for record, all offhand. Scoring values are as follows: nick body - three points; center body - five points; nick neck - seven points; center neck ten points. A nick is any shot touching but not fully in the bottle. Maximum score is 60 points.

## SUB-JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. M)

## (Age Limit: Shooter who has not reached his/her 12th birthday at the time of registration).

One or more rifles, any metallic sights, 5 shots each target, bench rest matches may use two (2) consecutive relays for each match. Bench rest matches may be fired from the cross sticks and they will still be allowed to use two (2) consecutive relays for each match.
Match M44 25 yards bench rest Three bull 100-yard target

M45 25 yards bench rest 100-yard (8 ring)

## HUNTERS (Aggregate: Ter. N)

The matches of this aggregate are designed to provide a test of hunting accuracy. All targets must be posted in the "natural" position. (i.e., no target may be posted upside-down or sideways, no sighters). Practice targets may be purchased but not used as sighters with match target. Flint or Percussion, Traditional Offhand Rifle, Open sights. Sights may be adjustable.

| Match N46 | 25 yards | Five shots | Crow | Target \#101 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N47 | 50 yards | Five shots | Standing Groundhog | Target \#201 |
| N48 | 50 yards | Five shots | Running Fox | Target \#701 |
| N49 | 100 yards | Five shots | Standing Bear | Target \#711 |

## SIGHTED SMOOTHBORE CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. O)

Flintlock or percussion, fixed open sights (front and rear). No limitations on caliber. Guns must be inspected before firing any match in this aggregate.

| Match O50 | 25 yards | offhand | 6 bull (7 ring black) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| O51 | 25 yards | offhand | 3 bull 100-yard target |
| O52 | 50 yards | offhand | 100-yard target 7 ring blank) |
| O53 | 100 yards | offhand | 200 yard target |

## UNLIMITED LONGHUNTER'S CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. P)

Any muzzle loading gun, any sights including scopes, ball, bullet, or sabot (we have approved sabots). Offhand. All targets must be posted in the "natural" position (i.e., no target may be posted upside-down or sideways, no sighters). Practice targets may be purchased but not used as sighters with the match target. One relay per Match.

| Match P54 | 25 yards | Five shots | Squirrel | Target \# 202 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| P55 | 50 yards | Five shots | Running Chuck | Target \#203 |
| P56 | 50 yards | Five shots | Running Deer | Target \# 902 |
| P57 | 100 yards | Five shots | Standing Buffalo | Target \# 100 |

## LADIES OFFHAND CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. Q)

One or more rifles, any metallic sight, offhand, one relay per match.

Match Q58 25 yard
Q59 25 yards
Q60 50 yards
Q61 50 yards

Five shots
Five shots
Five shots
Five shots

3 bull 100 yd. target
Six bull 50-yard target (eight ring)
single bull 100-yard target (eight ring)
6 bull target (black 7 ring)

## SMOOTHBORE CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. R)

Flintlock only. No rear sights above plane of barrel, no set triggers, 54 cal. minimum. One relay per match. Guns must be inspected before firing any match in this aggregate.

| Match R62 | 25 yards | Five shots | Standing Haffner groundhog Target \#201 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| R63 | 25 yards | Five shots | Running deer Target\#902 |
| R64 | 50 yards | Five shots | 100-yard (8 ring) |
| R65 | 100 yards | Five shots | 200 yard |

## LADIES TRAP CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. S)

Break open muzzle loading shotguns are allowed. See rule \# 2470 in NMLRA Rules and Regs.

Match S66 | 10 yards | 15 birds |  |
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| S67 | 16 yards | 15 birds |
| S68 | 20 yards | 10 birds |

INTERMEDIATE/ 4-H CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. T)
(An intermediate is anyone who is under the age of 21 . Not having reached their $21^{\text {stt }}$ birthday at time of registration).
Percussion or flintlock. Any metallic sights, offhand, one relay per match. Open to all 4-H shooting teams.

| Match T69 | 25 yards | five shots | 6 bull 50-yard target (8 ring) |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| T70 | 50 yards | five shots | 6 bull 50-yard target (7 ring) |
| T71 | 50 yards | five shots | Single bull 100-yard target (8 ring) |
| T72 | 100 yards | five shots | Single Bull 100-yard target (7 ring) |

## LADIES HUNTER CHAMPTIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. U)

Any metallic sight, one or more rifles, targets must be hung in natural position, no sighter targets when shooting the match. One relay per match.

| Match U73 | 25-yard 5 shots | Running chuck | Target\#203 |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| U74 | 25-yard 5 shots | Crow | Target\#101 |
| U75 | 50-yard 5 shots | Running fox | Target\#701 |
| U76 | 50-yard 5 shots | Standing ground hog | Target\#201 |

## CARTRIDGE (Aggregate: Ter. V)

Rifles as used at Friendship matches. Any position allowed, bench, prone cross sticks, sitting cross sticks or offhand. ANY SIGHTS allowed to include period correct scopes. One relay per match. Guns must be inspected before firing any match in this aggregate. 14 pound limit on gun.

| Match V77 | 100 yards | 10 shots | 3 bull target |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| V78 | 100 yards | 5 shots | Haffner Standing Bear | TG711 |
| V79 | 100 yards | 10 shots | 5 bull Buffalo target |  |
| V80 | 100 yards | 5 shots | Haffner Running Deer | TG902 |

All rifles must keep the muzzle pointed up or down range between shots.
All rifles must use the open bolt indicator to show the rifle is safe.

## Black Powder Cartridge Guidelines

The following guidelines should be used in conjunction with the Black Powder Cartridge Aggregate V being shot in the Territorial Matches.

Black Powder Cartridge Rifle - A hunting or military style rifle, single shot, originally made for black powder cartridges, of United States manufacture prior to 1896 and being typical of the era. Replicas thereof, regardless of origin of manufacture, are permitted. Hammer must be exposed. If replacement barrels, stocks, or other parts are used, they must be as original. No Schuetzenstyle rifles permitted. One rifle will be used during all phases of the match. Examples of permissible rifles are: Ballard, Buck, Bullard, Cole, Farrow, Maynard, Peabody, Redfield, Remington Hepburn, Remington Rolling Block, Sharps, Springfield Trapdoor, Stevens Tip-up, Stevens No. 44, Wesson Falling Block, Wesson (hinged barrel), Whitney Phoenix, Whitney Rolling Block, Winchester 1885 , and Wurfflien. While the following single shot actions may not conform to the exact criteria, they are allowed because they conform to the spirit of the competition in form and function. Browning Model 1878, Browning Model 1885, C. Sharps '75, Falling Block Works, Stevens $44 \frac{1}{2}$ and Wickliff ' 76 . Replicas other than exact reproductions of pre-1896 Black Powder actions as described above and shooting equipment as described herein, may be approved by the Match Director.
a. Maximum weight 14 pounds
b. Period correct scopes are allowed. Vernier ladder style sights are allowed. No modern or Olympic-type sights permitted.
c. Trigger typical to the rifle and not subject to accidental discharge.
d. Cartridges will be of the American black powder era. Originally black powder loaded, manufactured prior to 1896, and originally chambered in American-manufactured rifles, taking into account normal variations in types of brass and primers, as well as bore sizes, rifling styles, twist and chamber dimensions. Limited use and special chambering (wildcats) are not acceptable, Cartridges must be loaded with black powder or approved black powder substitute only. No smokeless powder in any quantity may be used. Match officials, at their discretion, may select one or more loaded cartridges at random, pull bullets, and check contents. Competitors will furnish their own ammunition.
e. Cast or swaged lead or lead alloy projectiles only; no jacketed or gas checked bullets. Paper patching permitted. Breech seating is permitted but no additional time will be allowed.
f. Stock: Forearm must be attached and shall be of traditional design not to exceed 2 inches in width, cannot extend below the line of the bottom of the receiver or base of trigger guard, and no attachments will be allowed on the forearm. Measured from the centerline of the bore, the drop at the heel shall not exceed $23 / 4$ inches; drop at toe shall not exceed 8 inches. No portion of the rifle stock behind the rifle action shall be higher than $3 / 4$ inch below the centerline of the bore. The butt shall not be longer than $5 \frac{1}{4}$ inches top to bottom. Cheek pieces are permitted, but no roll over. Pistol grips are permissible, but no flared or hand-contoured styles. Crescent-style butt plates are permissible but cannot be over $11 / 8$ inch deep when measured from a straight line from points of the butt plate. Commercial recoil pads are permissible. Stocks and forearms must be made of natural wood and must be in keeping with designs of stocks of the era.
g. No slings are permitted.
h. A palm rest may not be used. A palm rest is any attachment or extension below the forearm which aids the normal hand grip and support of the rifle by the forward hand/arm.
i. An Open Bolt Indicator is required in all matches to indicate the bolt is open. When the "Cease Fire" command is given, all rifles will be unloaded, and Open Bolt Indicators will be inserted immediately. Actions will remain open.

## LIGHT BENCH CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. W)

One or more rifles may be used, 14-pound limit, sights as noted, five (5) shots at each target. (Friendship Cheater sights are NOT ALLOWED. See rule \# 5030 \& 5220). Matches in this aggregate may use two (2) consecutive relays. Bench rest matches may be fired from the cross sticks, and they will still be allowed to use two (2) consecutive relays for each match. Guns must be inspected before firing any match in this aggregate.

| Match W81 | 50 Yds | Any Metallic Sights |
| ---: | :--- | :--- |
| W82 | 50 Yds | Any Metallic Sights |
| W83 | 100 Yds | Any Metallic Sights |
| W84 | 100 Yds | Any Metallic Sights |

6-Bull Target (7-Ring)
6-Bull Target (7-Ring)
100-Yd Target (7-Ring)
100-Yd Target (7-Ring)

## LADIES PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. X)

Percussion pistol or revolver, ten shots each target, to be fired in one relay. Scores fired will be submitted to the NMLRA Pistol Committee Chairperson. In order to obtain a National Pistol Classification, the territorial competitor must request NMLRA classification through the Pistol Committee Chairperson. One relay per match.

| Match X85 | 25 yards | slow fire | 25-yard pistol target |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| X86 | 25 yards | limited fire* | 25-yard pistol target |
| X87 | 50 yards | slow fire | 50-yard pistol target |
| *Time starts with first shot fired |  |  |  |

## UNLIMITED YOUTH HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. Y) Competitors who have not yet reached their $21^{\text {st }}$ birthday at the time of registration are eligible.

Any muzzle loading gun, any sights including scopes, ball, bullet, or sabot (we have approved sabots). Offhand. All targets must be posted in the "natural" position (i.e., no target may be posted upside-down or sideways, no sighters). Practice targets may be purchased but not used as sighters with the match target. One relay per Match.

Match Y88 25-yard 5 shots
Y89 25-yard 5 shots
Y90 50-yard 5 shots

Standing Groundhog Target\#201
Running Deer Target\#902
Standing Bear Target Target\#711

## LADIES SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. Z)

Singles are shot stations one through eight in a high-low sequence. All birds must be properly thrown to be scored a hit or a miss. The competitor may use two guns. Break open muzzle loading shotguns are allowed. See rule \# 2470 in NMLRA Rules and Regulations.

Match Z91 16 yards 16 birds singles

## FLINTLOCK TRAP CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. AA)

Flintlock only.
Match AA92 10 yards 15 birds
AA93 16 yards 15 birds

## FLINTLOCK SKEET CHAMPIONSHIP (Aggregate: Ter. BB)

. Flintlock only.
Singles are shot stations one through eight in a high-low sequence. All birds must be properly thrown to be scored a hit or a miss. The competitor may use two guns.

Match BB94 16 yards 16 birds singles

## REVOLVER AGGREGATE (AGGREGATE CC)

Any percussion revolver. Best 10 out of 13 shots will be scored for match CC 98 repro as issued revolvers manufactured between 1861-1865.

| Match CC 95 | 25 yards | slow fire | 25-yard pistol target |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Match CC 96 | 25 yards | limited fire | 25-yard pistol target |
| Match CC 97 | 50 yards | slow fire | 50-yard pistol target |
| Match CC 98 | 25 yards | slow fire | 25-yard B-19 Target |

## INLINE BENCH ANY SIGHTS (AGGREGATE DD) <br> (Any sights allowed to include scopes)

Match DD $99 \quad 25$-yds Crow (target 101) and squirrel (target 202), 2 consecutive relays, one target per relay.
Match DD100 50 -yds Running Chuck (target 203) and Standing Chuck (target 201) 2 consecutive relays, one target per relay.
Match DD101 100-yds Standing Bear (target 711) and Standing Buffalo (target 100) 2 consecutive relays; one target per relay.

Each set of targets will be scored together to make one total for each match.
TRAP-TRADITIONAL AND ORIGINAL RE-ENTRY AGGREGATE (AGGREGATE EE)
Entry fee per entry and re-entry of $\$ 5.00$, to be split $50 / 50$ with NMLRA
(host club may charge separate target surcharge, not to be split with NMLRA). On re-entry, only highest score for each match will count as score.

Match EE102 Traditional and Original Guns Only 10 Yards 15 shots (no screw in chokes, sealed ignition, or 209 primers)

Match EE103 Traditional and Original Guns Only 16 Yards 15 shots
(no screw in chokes, sealed ignition, or 209 primers)

## TRAP-ANY MUZZLE LOADING SHOTGUN RE-ENTRY AGGREGATE <br> (AGGREGATE FF)

Entry fee per entry and re-entry of $\$ 5.00$, to be split $50 / 50$ with NMLRA (host club may charge separate target surcharge, not to be split with NMLRA). On re-entry, only the highest score for each match will count as score.

Match EE104 Any Muzzle Loading Shotgun
Match EE105 Any Muzzle Loading Shotgun

16 Yards 15 shots
20 Yards 15 shots

Target List


