

# SILHOUETTE RIFLE

## Rule changes effective 2006

**3.1.1 High Power Hunting Silhouette Rifle** - A hunting style rifle having a maximum weight of 9 pounds, including sights and if applicable, an empty magazine or clip. With the exception of single shot rifles, all other types must be repeating rifles, which shall be fired by loading all cartridges from the magazine or clip into the chamber. The intent of this rule is to describe a common hunting rifle.

- (a) Caliber; 6mm or larger, provided that no belted cartridges or Magnums are allowed.
- (f) Magazines: Magazines may not be loaded with more than 5 rounds. During the match all cartridges must be loaded into the chamber from the magazine.  
**Exception:** During a Shoot Off, single cartridge loading may be used at direction of the Range Officer.

### 3.1.2 High Power Semi-Automatic Military Rifle -

B. (Delete and reletter C and D to B and C respectively.)

### 3.1.3 Cowboy Lever Action Silhouette Rifle -

2. Barrels must be original or may be relined. Original barrels rebored to a larger caliber are allowed. Any safe trigger is allowed. Stocks must be of original configuration. Recoil pads or replacement buttplates are allowed.

(b) Pistol Cartridge Cowboy Lever Action Silhouette -

A. Any lever action rifle with a tubular magazine. A rimmed pistol cartridge loaded with a flat nosed bullet must be used i.e. 25-20, 32-20, 38's, 357 magnum, 38-40, 44's, 44-40, 45 Colt, .45 Long Colt, .22 magnum, .22 long rifle.

### 3.3 Silhouette Air Rifle:

- (a) Target Air Rifle: Any unaltered factory target air rifle designed for U.S. and International 10 meter competition, (i.e., as produced or sold by Anschutz, Beeman, Crossman, Daisy, Fienwerkbau, RWS, Steyr and Walther). Use of scopes or iron sights, including diopter sights is allowed. Any older gun may be brought up to current factory specifications using only factory catalogue barrel weights.
- (b) Sporter Air Rifle: Any unaltered factory sporter air rifle that is or was a catalogue item, readily available over the counter to the general public, weighing no more than 11 pounds, with a scope and mounts. Rifles utilizing pre-charged systems of any kind other than 12.0 gram disposable CO<sub>2</sub> units are prohibited.
- (c) Open Air Rifle: Any air rifle weighing no more than 16 lbs. with scope and mounts. Length of barrel and action measured from the rear of the metal action or air chamber to the end of the muzzle, including any extension, must not exceed 40". Rifle may utilize any self-contained or externally-charged compressed air system, but such system must be completely self-

contained at the time of firing. Hook buttplates are prohibited. All air rifles not meeting Rules 3.3(a) or 3.3(b) will be fired in the Open Air Rifle class. The storage of reservoir tanks for either compressed air or CO<sub>2</sub> is prohibited on the firing line or in adjacent spectator areas. (See Rule 9.9.1.)

**3.15 Buttplates and Cheekpieces** - A butt or buttplate having a curved rear surface in which the depth of the curve exceeds 1/2 inch when measured from a straight line drawn from the top to the bottom of the buttplate is prohibited. Buttplates must be centered. Adjustable cheekpieces must be fixed and sealed in place. See 3.4(f) regarding Black Powder Cartridge Rifle. Rule 3.15 does not apply to Target or Open class Air Rifles.

**4.1 Targets** — 6th paragraph, PG 13 - On the one-fifth scale targets used in Smallbore Rifle all feet should be 1 inch wide by 2 inches long. For cast Smallbore Rifle targets that have casting marks or dimples on one side, the smooth side must face toward the shooters for consistent appearance.

**9.30.2 Method for Disqualification:** In cases of infringement and contravention of NRA Rules, the Match program, or instructions of the Match Director or Range Officials, the following penalties will be imposed upon the competitor by the Match Director of the Jury in the following order:

- 1) Warning
- 2) Disqualification
  - (a) A warning must be given so that the competitor may have the opportunity to correct the fault. In case of a serious violation of safety regulations, the Match Director or Jury has the authority to impose immediate disqualification.
  - (b) A warning to the competitor must be expressed in such terms as will leave no doubt that it is an official warning. Whenever possible, a warning to the competitor should be given so as not to disturb firing a shot, unless the infringement concerns safety, in which case the competitor shall be warned immediately.
  - (c) For a repeated infringement, the competitor will be disqualified.