

PRACTICAL HUNTING RIFLE

A BRIEF DESCRIPTION

Practical Hunting Rifle is the closest sport you'll find to real hunting. It will test and improve your ability to judge distance, give you knowledge of your rifle's ballistics and how to judge the influence of the wind on the bullet's trajectory. In addition, it will give you the ability to shoot from various positions, shoot within time constraints and with correct shot placement.



CLASSES OF RIFLE

- Any centrefire hunting rifle allowed on SSAA ranges typically from .204Ruger to .300 Win Mag
- .22LR rimfire rifles.
- Most competitors use off-the-shelf rifles with no modifications.
- Slings are allowed, no limits to scope magnification maximum distance of 400m.
- Laser range finder and wind meters are not allowed.

POSITIONS

- Any position can be prescribed by the match officials.
- Different for every one of the 6 lanes per competition.
- Offhand, kneeling, sitting or prone without supports or with a support to simulate actual field conditions.

SCORING

- Vital zones scores vary from 30 to 5 points.
- Other zones can attract a loss of 5 up to 15 points

TARGETS

- Life-sized paper prints of game and feral animals.
- 100mm and 200mm steel discs.



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COMPETITIONS

Practical Hunting Rifle is a shooting contest of variable and non-standard format that examines practical marksmanship as it occurs in the hunting field. This means that every competition will be different to the next. Both centrefire and rimfire matches are conducted.

In every competition a total of 30 shots will be fired on a minimum of 6 lanes; typically 5 shots per target. The targets are placed at unknown distances and the competitor needs to judge the distance and make the required ballistic adjustments

A few typical lanes may be shooting offhand (without support) at a fox about 50m away, shooting from a prone position, using a rock as support at a springbok about 250m away and shooting at a camel from a kneeling position, using a tree stump as support, about 180m away.

How often do you get the opportunity to do that in one afternoon!

