

# California State Trapshooting Association, Inc.

## Series Shoot Rules

### A. CLUBS

1. Every California trap club is entitled, if qualified; to throw two, C.S.T.A., “Series” shoots each target year (October 1 through September 30, except when a shoot starts in Sept. e.g.: Sept 30<sup>th</sup> – Oct 1st). The exception to this is, any club hosting a registered Toys 4 Tots shoot. This shoot will be a “Series” shoot in addition to the other two shoots they may have scheduled as “Series” shoots. Shoot dates will be administered by the Amalgamated Gun Clubs of Northern California.
2. Any clubs hosting a registered Toys 4 Tots shoot in the month of October, the Shooters scores will be applied to the new “Series” target year. (note; that the shooters scores will still be counted towards the current P.I.T.A. target year which runs from Nov. 1 to Oct. 31 of each year)
3. A club may host a “Series” shoot by obtaining a shoot date from the Amalgamated Gun Clubs of Northern California and then applying to the C.S.T.A. for permission to hold the “Series” Shoot. The required permission will be granted if it is determined, by the C.S.T.A., that the “Series” shoot will be beneficial to the club and to the C.S.T.A.
4. No two Trap Clubs will be granted identical “Series” shoot dates.
5. Clubs must throw 100 16 yard targets, 100 Handicap targets and 50 pair (100) Doubles targets some time during the shoot. All events must be reported to the C.S.T.A. in 100 bird increments.
6. Each participating club may include all days of their shoot as “Series” targets. The program event mix will be determined by the club. That mix may be a 16 yard-singles, Handicap or Doubles or any mixture thereof. However, the events must be conducted as 100 bird events; and each reported to the C.S.T.A., in 100 bird event increments for 16 Yard-singles, Handicap or Doubles (50 pair) events. Absolutely no marathon targets will be allowed as “Series” targets.
7. A trap club may contract with another club to hold their Series” shoot on the second clubs grounds.
8. When a “Series: shoot date has been selected by a club, and approved by the Amalgamated Gun Clubs, that date cannot be changed without prior approval of the C.S.T.A. If it is necessary to cancel the shoot then the entire shoot must be canceled.
9. Compulsory purses will not be allowed at “Series” shoots.
10. All participating clubs must announce the “Series” shoot date in their advertisements and programs.
11. Each club will forward a copy of the shoot program along with the “Series” scores to the Series Committee Chairperson within 10 calendar days after completion of the shoot.

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### B. CONTESTENTS

1. All contestants must be members, in good standing of the P.I.T.A., with current dues paid. The shooter does not have to be a resident of California. Any “Series” targets shot without a current P.I.T.A. membership will be deleted from Series competition.
2. The contestant’s status will be determined at the first “Series” shoot that he/she participates in. Such status includes beginning yardage, a current address and birth date, all on file with the C.S.T.A.; “Series” committee. The P.I.T.A. renewal form is used (even for “Life” members) at renewal time or for changes.
3. The contestant’s status consists of his/her participation yardage (19-20, 21-22, 23-24, 25-26 and 27 yards) and special category (Lady, Veteran., Senior, Elder, Sub Junior and Junior-trophies may not be provided for all special categories). The yardage shot at, in the contestant’s first “Series” shoot, will establish the contestant’s yardage group for the rest of the target year. The yardage group will, remain the same, for trophy purposes, regardless of the shooter’s yardage increases or decreases. The special category (Lady, Sub Junior, Junior, Veteran, Senior-Veteran, Elder) will also be established at the first “Series” shoot participation in by the contestant: for example; a Junior, shooter 17 years of age, firing at his/her first “Series targets in October and then reaching his/her 18<sup>th</sup> Birthday in December, will continue to participate in the “Series” competition as a Junior, although the shooter will complete as an adult in other trapshooting activities.
4. In order to compete for a trophy, non-special category contestants (with the exception of the 19-20 yard group) will shoot at 1500 targets; 500 16 yard; 500 Handicap; and 500 Doubles. 19-20 yard shooters, Lady, Sub Junior, Junior, Veteran, Sr.-Veteran, Elder; must fire at 500 16 yard and 500 Handicap. The contestants may fire at as many more targets as desired. The C.S.T.A. will pick the contestant’s highest 500 16 yard (5 separate 100 target, 16 yard events) and 500 Handicap (5 separate 100 target, handicap events) and, in the case of Yardage Award contestants, the highest 500 Doubles (5 separate 50 target, doubles events). Special category contestants may also compete for yardage awards, on the basis of 1500 targets, but only one trophy may be won.
5. Yardage Award ties will be shot off at the “Series” award shoot on the basis of 20 16 Yard, 20 Handicap and 20 (10 pair) Doubles targets. Special Category shoot-offs will consist of 25 16 Yard and 25 Handicap targets.

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### C. THE PROGRAM

1. Prior to the start of the target year, the C.S.T.A. will establish the “Series” program for the coming year. Items to be established include but are not limited to:
  - a. Dollar amount to be spent on trophies.
  - b. Number of trophies to be awarded.
  - c. Level of shooters daily fees.
  - d. The site of the “Series” Award shoot.
  - e. Whether a year end raffle will be held and if so the dollar amount to be set aside for raffle prizes.
  - f. Any required changes in the “Series” program.
2. A “Series” Award will be held after the end of the target year.
  - a. A club, that has a minimum of four competition traps, and that has held a minimum of one two day P.I.T.A. Series Registered trap shoot during the current target year, is eligible to be added to the rotation by the C.S.T.A, to host the Award shoot.
  - b. The eligibility shall also be based on the club’s recent shoot year track record regarding successful conduct the various scheduled shoots, as may be determined by the C.S.T.A.
  - c. The award will be based upon the position the clubs holds in the “Series” award rotation.
3. Rotation Procedure:
  - a. A trap club may make written request to the C.S.T.A. Secretary, that they be added to the “Series” Award Rotation once they meet the qualifications as noted in C2a.
  - b. A club on the rotation list, and failing to maintain its eligibility under C2a or C2b, may be removed from the rotation.
  - c. A club being unable to hold the “Series” Award shoot when that club’s rotation turn is up, may trade dates with the next eligible club in rotation, only with the approval of the C.S.T.A.
  - d. A club having held the “Series” Award shoot will move to the end of the rotation.
4. A bonus “Series” shoot, at the discretion of the C.S.T.A., may be held in conjunction with the Award shoot. In addition, a bonus “Series” shoot may be held immediately prior to the C.S.T.A. State Shoot. Both bonus shoots will be held at the discretion of the C.S.T.A. Such shoots, if held, will not interfere with the rights of the host clubs to hold their regularly scheduled “Series” shoots.
5. The C.S.T.A. may furnish prizes to be raffled off at the Awards Shoot. All of the shooters who have shot at the required number of targets but who did not win a trophy, are eligible; if present at the Award shoot, to participate in the raffle.
6. The President will appoint a person for the ensuing target year, to chair the “Series: Committee. This person, with the assistance of the “Series” Committee (also appointed by the President), will be responsible for:
  - a. Obtaining “Series” scores
  - b. Compiling participant’s scores
  - c. Obtaining “Series” trophies
  - d. Furnishing winning names, and scores, to the C.S.T.A.
  - e. Arranging for raffle prizes

- f. Conducting “Series” shoot-off
- 7. The C.S.T.A. will purchase and deliver to Clubs hosting a Toys 4 Tots “Series” Shoot, the HOA buckle.
- 8. Club/C.S.T.A. handicappers, at “Series” shoots, will write the name of the host club and shoot date on the registration slips and will be prepared to answer shooters’ questions about the “Series” program.
  - a. Clubs using computerized reporting. The report must include:
    - 1. The Club Name
    - 2. Date of the shoot
    - 3. Scores for each shooter must be presented on the same page (event 1 – event 2 – event – 3 etc.)
- 9. Any deviations from these rules must be approved, in advance, by the C.S.T.A. Board of Directors. When it is not possible for the C.S.T.A. Board to convene before the event, the C.S.T.A. Executive Committee shall act for the Board.

