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Big Bore Shooting Exercise

The objective of this shooting exercise is to test a shottists' proficiency with a hunting rifle in a calibre of 9.3 x 62 mm (.366") or larger during a shooting competition. A charging buffalo is simulated and the shots must be made in a very short time. The target is a portrait of a buffalo approximately three quarters of actual size.

Rules:

Minimum calibre: **9.3 x 62 mm (9.3 mm = .366")**

Minimum bullet weight: **285 grain**

Minimum velocity with 285 grain to 300 grain bullet weights will be **2200 ft/s**

Reduced loads with pistol powder and wads are not allowed. The ammunition used must meet standard factory specifications.

Muzzle breaks are not allowed as these have a bad effect on the neighbouring shottists during competitions.

No supports e.g. sticks or rifle slings are allowed for any of the exercises

1. One application shot is fired from 50m at the heart / lung area from the standing position – a time of 20 seconds is allowed after all the shottists have declared themselves "ready" – i.e. rifles loaded and pointed to the ground at 45 degrees..
2. Thereafter 2 rounds are loaded on the instruction of the range officer. Two shots are then fired at the heart / lung area from the standing position from 50 m. The time limit is 10 seconds for the two shots commencing after the shottists have declared themselves "ready". "Ready" means a loaded weapon pointing 45 grade towards the ground. Any shottist firing after the time limit will forfeit his/her highest scoring shot.
3. From 25m three shots are fired from the standing position. One shot must be fired at the heart / lung area and two shots at the head (brain). The time limit is 12 seconds commencing after the shottists have declared themselves "ready". "Ready" means a loaded weapon pointing 45 grade towards the ground. Any shottist firing after the time limit will forfeit his/her highest scoring shot.
4. The total score for the exercise is 30 points. Each shottist must shoot six (6) shots in total namely two shots at the brain and four shots at the heart / lung area. If more than the specified number of shots is directed at the head or heart, the shottist will forfeit the highest scoring shot in the area where there are too many shots.
5. Any shot in the buffalo outside of the demarcated scoring areas will result in a deduction of one point (-1).
6. There must be 6 shots on the target. If there are less than six shots on the target, one (1) point will be deducted for each shot missed.
7. If there are more than six shots on the target, and no missing shots on neighbouring targets, the highest scores will be deducted until only 6 shots are left.
8. Only the first attempt on a specific day qualifies for registration purposes.
9. A gold award is earned if the shottist scores 24 points (80%) or more, during a competition.
10. A silver award is earned if a shottist scores 21 points (70%) or more during a competition
11. A bronze award is earned if a shottist scores 18 points (60%) or more during a competition



(Target size: Width x Height = 1000 mm x 750 mm. The buffalo portrait is approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ actual size. The lines on the target are thin red lines which are not visible at a distance. The scoring points are not printed on the target).

Target Areas	W x H mm	Area cm ²	vs Heart
Central/above the heart	85 x 85	57	36%
Heart	125 x 165	160	--
Central lung	177 x 232	320	200%
Larger lung	232 x 305	550	340%
Central brain	75 x 63	36	22%
Brain/upper neck vertebrae	120 x 104	92	57%