

PRESIDENT'S CUP – EXPERIMENTAL FORMAT

INDIVIDUAL TRAP (Men / Women)

1. QUALIFICATION STAGE (Top 12 athletes of the world ranking)

- a) The athletes will each shoot a total of 50 targets on two ranges (25 targets on each range). After the 50 targets the top 8 athletes with the highest result (Qualification Ranking as per ISSF rules) will qualify for the Semifinal Stage.
- b) Any ties for places 1 to 8 will be decided by a shoot off in accordance with the rules of Trap (shoot-offs after qualification). The starting positions in the shoot-off of tied athletes will be decided by their Qualification Ranking (highest ranking athlete to shoot first).
- c) The starting positions of athletes with perfect ties or ties that cannot be broken by the count back rule will be decided by draw.
- d) In case of several shoot-offs, the **lower position** shoot-offs will be shot first.

2. SEMIFINAL STAGE (Semifinal 1 & Semifinal 2 (4 athletes each))

- a) After the 50 targets or any eventual shoot-offs the top 8 athletes will qualify for the Semifinal Stage (as per 1a above).
- b) Semifinal 1 will be composed of the athletes in places **1, 3, 5, 7** (as per Qualification Ranking).
- c) Semifinal 2 will be composed of the athletes in places **2, 4, 6, 8** (as per Qualification Ranking).
- d) Semifinal 1 will be shot first followed by Semifinal 2.
- e) Athletes will occupy stations 1 to 4 in Qualification Ranking order.
- f) Preparation time limit: 12 seconds (monitored by an electronic timer as per ISSF rules).
- g) Only one shot allowed at each target as per ISSF rules.

- h) Before each Semifinal athletes will observe the targets and test fire.
- h) Athletes will **start from 0** and compete in a series of target sequences followed by progressive eliminations that continue until the 2 winners are decided, as follows:
 - i) Each of the 4 athletes shoot first 15 targets (1 center, 1 left and 1 right target from each of the 5 stations). After that the athlete with the lowest number of hits is eliminated. In case of equal scores, the athlete with the lower Qualification Ranking is eliminated.
 - j) The remaining 3 athletes continue to shoot another 10 targets (1 left, 1 right target from each of the 5 stations). After that the athlete with the lowest number of hits out of the total 25 targets of the two series (15+10=25) is eliminated. **Any ties for the 3rd eliminated place will be decided by shoot-off** as per ISSF Rules for **shoot-offs after Finals**.
 - k) The two winning athletes in 1st and 2nd position (from each Semifinal) will qualify for the Medal Match.
 - l) The eliminated 4 athletes (2 from each Semifinal), will take places 5,6,7,8 on the basis of their Semifinal result. In case of equal Semifinal result then the places will be decided by the Qualification Ranking.

3. MEDAL MATCH (4 athletes)

- a) The starting positions in the Medal Match of the 4 qualified athletes is decided by their Semifinal result (highest SF result will shoot first). In case of equal Semifinal results, the starting positions will be decided by the Qualification Ranking.
- b) The 4 athletes will occupy stations 1 to 4 in ranking order (highest SF result to shoot first).
- c) Only one shot allowed at each target as per ISSF rules.
- d) Preparation time limit: 12 seconds (monitored by an electronic timer as per ISSF rules).
- e) Before the Medal Match, athletes will observe the targets and test fire.

- f) Athletes will **start from 0** and compete in series of target sequences followed by progressive eliminations that continue until the winners are decided (Gold, Silver, Bronze, 4th place), as follows:

- g) Each of the 4 athletes shoots first 15 targets (1 center, 1 left and 1 right target from each of the 5 stations). After that the athlete with the lowest number of hits is eliminated (4th place decided). In case of equal scores, the athlete with the lower Semifinal result, is eliminated.

- h) The remaining 3 athletes continue to shoot another 10 targets (1 left, 1 right target from each of the 5 stations). After that the athlete with the lowest number of hits out of the 25 targets of the two series (15+10=25) is eliminated (Bronze Medal decided). In case of equal scores, the athlete with the lower Semifinal result, is eliminated.

- i) The remaining 2 athletes continue to shoot another 10 targets (1 left, 1 right target from each of the 5 stations). After that, on the basis of the total of the 35 targets of the three series (15+10+10=35) the winners of the Gold and Silver medals are decided.

- j) Any eventual ties for the Gold/Silver will be decided by shoot off, as per ISSF rules for shoot-offs, after finals.

4. GENERAL PROCEDURES

Unless otherwise stated in these Rules, the ISSF Rules for Finals (section 9.18), in respect to malfunctions, protests, music activity and VAR or for any other case not covered in these Rules, will be followed.

5. IRREGULAR or DISPUTED CASES

Any irregular or disputed cases not covered in the above rules will be decided by the Jury on the basis of the ISSF General Technical Rules (section 6) and ISSF Shotgun Rules (section 9) or any other relevant ISSF Rule.