50m RIFLE 3 POSTIONS-
MEN, WOMEN, MEN JUNIOR, WOMEN JUNIOR-
COMPETITION FORMAT
Valid as of 01.01.2022

1. QUALIFICATION STAGE
Consists of two the Elimination and the Qualification. Takes place at the qualification range.

a) Elimination

- All athletes are called to the line 20 minutes before the scheduled Start of the event and setup in the Kneeling position.
- **15 minutes** allowed for Preparation and sighting time.
- Athletes fire a 60-shot course of fire (3 x 20) in 1hr 30minutes, in series: Kneeling, Prone and Standing

In case of two or more relays for the Elimination the start list will be issued on this way:

- Relay 1 – 50 percent of the top 24 athletes according to the World Ranking taking part in the competitions by random + random to the maximum of available number of firing points
- Relay 2 - 50 percent of the top 24 athletes according to the World Ranking taking part in the competitions by random + by random to the maximum of available number of firing points
- Relay 3 - by random to the maximum of available number of firing points

If there is more than one relay, there should be a break of 30 minutes before the athletes in subsequent relays are called to the line.

- Any ties will be decided by the highest score in Standing, then Kneeling, then Prone, according the ISSF count back rules.
- Full-ring (integer) scoring will be used for Elimination.

To decide the number of athletes proceeding to the next stage of the competitions (Qualification) from each Elimination relay the following formula must be used:

**Formula:** The usable number of firing points is divided by the total number of athletes on the start lists multiplied by the number of athletes on the start list for each relay to give the number of athletes going forward from the Elimination to the Qualification, e.g. 60 firing points and 101 athletes:

1st relay: 54 athletes  
60:101 x 54 = 32.08 ® 32 athletes

2nd relay: 47 athletes  
60: 101 x 47 - 27.92 ® 28 athletes

The same formula will be also used if 2 or 3 relays.
The maximum number of athletes proceeding from Elimination to Qualification depends upon the number of firing points available at the venue. The minimum number of athletes is 12 (twelve).

**b) Qualification**

- If one relay of Elimination:
- There should be a break of 30 minutes before the athletes are called to the line;
- Athletes stay at the same firing point as in Elimination.
- If more than one relay in Elimination, Qualification should take place the next day according the number of firing points available, the athletes’ number and the schedule.
- **Scores start from zero.**
- All athletes fire another 3 x 20 in **1hr 30 minutes** in the same sequence: Kneeling – Prone – Standing
- Full-ring (integer) scoring will be used for Qualification.
- Ties for the lowest places to qualify for the Final will be decided by the athlete who has the highest score in Standing, then Kneeling, then Prone.

Top eight (8) athletes qualify for the **Final stage.**

**2. FINAL STAGE**

**Consists of the Semifinal and the Medal Match. Takes places at the Final hall**

**a) REPORTING TIME**

Team Leaders are responsible for presenting their Finalists to the Preparation Area, and report to the Jury at least 30 minutes before the scheduled Final Start Time of the 1st semifinal match shot, complete with all their shooting equipment needed for the Finals.

Finalists must report with their equipment, competition clothing and a national team uniform that may be worn in the Victory Ceremony. Finalists must be dressed and have only the required shooting equipment. Jury Members and Range Officers must complete their pre-competition checks in the Preparation Area during this period.

Neither rifle cases nor equipment containers may be left on the Finals range Field of Play (FOP) behind the firing line.

**Equipment Set-Up Time:** All athletes and coaches must be allowed to place their equipment on the firing points at least 20 minutes before the start of the semifinal. They must return to the preparation area not later than 15 mins before start time.

Firing points will be numbered R1, A, B.....H, R2 - Athletes will be allocated to firing points in accordance with their placing in the Qualification

Finalists must be ready to walk in **BEFORE** they will be called one by one.

An assistant must make sure, that Finalists are assembled in the correct order, and must give a sign when the Chief Range Officer (CRO) commands: “**ATHLETES TO THE LINE**”.

Athletes enter the FOP one at a time - as each athlete enters the FOP the announcer will introduce them to the spectators – one by one while they walk in - and stand facing the audience. Athletes must remain facing the spectators until all have been presented, also the Jury Member-in Charge and the Chief Range Officer.
• When all announcements are made, CRO announces, “Take your positions”.
• After two (2) minutes to take the kneeling position,
• 5 minutes allowed for preparation and sighting.
• Estimated total time: 10 minutes.
• Decimal scoring will be used for the Final Stage.
• If at any stage of the Final there is a tie for the lowest ranked athlete to be eliminated, the tied athletes will fire additional tie-breaking single shot(s) until the tie is broken.

b) SEMIFINAL:

All eight (8) Finalists fire 2 series of 5 shots in each position in the following sequence:

• 200 seconds to fire each series in the Kneeling position.
• 6 minutes change-over from Kneeling to Prone, including sighting shots
• 150 seconds to fire each 5-shot series in the Prone position.
• 8 minutes change-over from Prone to Standing, including sighting shots
• 250 seconds to fire each 5-shot series in the Standing position
• The total score in each 5-shot series is used to allocate points awarded according to ranking from 8 – 1. Equal scores are awarded equal points (higher level).
• The four (4) athletes with the highest number of points progress to the Medal Match.
• The other four athletes are eliminated and withdraw from the firing-line.

c) MEDAL MATCH:

This stage is fired in the Standing position, ONLY.

• All points achieved in the Semifinal are zeroed.
• 4 series of 2 shots fired in 100 seconds per series.
• The total score in each 2-shot series is used to allocate points awarded according to ranking from 4 – 1. Equal scores are awarded equal points (higher level).
• After 4 series, 3rd (bronze medal) and 4th place decided and the athletes retire from the firing-line.

The Medal Match continues to decide the gold and silver medals.

• All previous points scored are zeroed.
• Firing continues with single shots fired on command, with 50 seconds per shot.
• Highest score is awarded 2 points; tied scores awarded 1 point each, lower score is zero points.
• The Gold medal is awarded to the first athlete to score 16 or more points

d) PRESENTATION OF MEDALISTS

After the Gold and Silver Medal Match has finished, the athletes will be joined on the Field of Play by the Bronze medallist and line up for official photographs and announcements, as in the Individual Finals.

3. MUSIC & AUDIENCE SUPPORT

During the Semifinal and the Medal Match, music should be played. The Technical Delegate must approve the music program. Enthusiastic audience support is encouraged and is recommended during the Final.
4. MALFUNCTIONS DURING THE FINAL STAGE

Malfunctions in the Final will be governed according to ISSF Rules (only one (1) malfunction will be allowed for each athlete during all the Final).

Athletes may be allowed one (1) minute to repair or replace a malfunctioning firearm to permit the Medal Matches to continue without unnecessary delay.

5. IRREGULAR CASES

ISSF General Technical Rules will apply to matters not mentioned in the above paragraphs. Irregular or disputed matters will be decided by the Jury according to General Technical Rules for each event.