

TSC Rules and Regulations 2020

These rules and regulations apply to all the Schools Challenge events and competitions throughout the year.

1. Shotguns must be unloaded and broken whilst travelling between stands and around the shooting ground.
2. Guns must remain broken and empty and only loaded when on the firing point.
3. Extreme care must be taken by coaches/loaders not to mix 20 bore and 12 bore cartridges and they must consciously check ALL shells before loading.
4. No one may enter the shooting stands unless accompanied by a member of The Oxford Gun Company staff. All competitors will be accompanied by a referee who will complete the scorecards.
5. No gun is to be pointed at anyone at any time. The gun may be mounted or off the shoulder when calling for a target.
6. Whilst on the firing point the barrels must be kept pointed in a safe direction, especially in the event of a misfire.
7. Semi-automatics may be used but must **show a breach flag** when not on a firing point.
8. The wearing of **visible hearing protection** in both ears is compulsory. Head protection in the form of a peaked hat is strongly recommended.
9. TSC shoots require the wearing of adequate and effective **visible eye protection by shooters, officials, masters and spectators** at or around the shooting grounds. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.
10. Competitors are required to have a minimum of £3 million Third Party Liability insurance cover.
11. Alcohol is strictly forbidden to all competitors. Spectators are also requested to observe this rule.
12. It is each competitor's responsibility to be at the right stand at the right time ready to shoot. Failure to do this will cost points.
13. A referee's decision is final. An objection to a decision must be raised immediately whilst still on the stand.
14. **No advice or coaching** may be given to competitors once on the stands.
15. Individuals are responsible for the safe storage of their shotguns and belongings when not in use. Neither the organiser nor the ground owners will accept responsibility for the loss, damage or injury to persons, their property or effects whilst on the shooting ground.
16. Casual attire is acceptable, however NO shorts, NO bare flesh under skeet-vests and NO camouflage clothing.
17. No footwear that exposes the foot may be worn. For example, sandals or flip flops are forbidden.
18. **Bad language and abusive behaviour will not be tolerated.** Please do not put us in the difficult position of having to ask you to leave the venue. The Oxford Gun Company & The Schools Challenge reserve the right to deny entry to the competitions without explanation.
19. A responsible adult must accompany Prep and Junior teams and individuals at all times.
20. Points are awarded as follows: one for a kill, zero for a miss.
21. There will only be **NO** shoot-offs for first place in any category. Any ties will be decided by count back.
22. There will be no prize giving at the end of each event. This is to avoid gatherings of people. All prizes must be collected within 1 month of the last Winter Series event.
23. **No game cartridges are to be used.** Maximum 28g 7 1/2 to be used
24. All competitors must be in **full time education** (minimum 3 days per week.) Proof may be required.
25. Competitor age limits are as follows:-
 - The Schools Challenge Competitors (Prep. & Senior Categories) must be under 22 on 11th March 2020.
 - The University Championships competitors must be under 26 on 18th March 2020.
27. Prep category is classified as under the age of 15 on the day of the competition, including any shoot-offs and/or finals.
28. Senior category is classified as under the age of 22 on the day of the competition, including any shoot-offs and/or finals.
29. A team's category is determined by the age of the OLDEST team member on the date of the finals for each Competition:-

Prep. Category	You must be	Under 15	on	11th March 2020
Senior Category	You must be	Under 22	on	11th March 2020
University Championships	You must be	Under 26	on	18th March 2020

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30. Where a team comprises individuals of different age categories, the team's category will be determined by the age of the OLDEST team member.
31. Where an individual is shooting within a team with a team category higher than the Individual's age, their team category will override their individual category - their individual category will be the same as their team category, regardless of their age, and will be that of their team.
i.e. a 13-year-old choosing to shoot as part of a senior team, will shoot within the senior individual category too – they cannot shoot in the junior category individually, if they are within a senior team.
32. If you are a CPSA member and classified you must state your CPSA number on ALL the entry forms.
33. Any changes to team names or individuals **must** be completed by 12pm Friday 6th March for TSC Oxford, by Friday 13th March for The University Championships, and by Friday 2nd October for TSC Oxford II.
34. **All CPSA Rules apply** (they can be found on their website: www.cpsa.co.uk)
35. The sponsors and organisers reserve the right to change the rules and prize fund without prior notice. They also reserve the right to review an individual's entry and decline an invitation to the final without any written or verbal explanation. Their decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
36. ISA Schools Event - TSC Oxford II Wednesday 7th October. Please ensure you record your ISA School number on the forms and when booking in.
37. Photographs - Whilst we are happy for you to photograph your own children, please do not take photos of the group unless permission has been gained from the parents, guardians or school masters in the group.
38. Filming - During all of our events, we will be filming for TSC TV. If you do not want to appear on our website, social media or YouTube channel please speak directly to the camera person on the day. You can also email us directly with your request to info@theschoolschallenge.co.uk

COVID-19 - Guide for Competitors and Parents, Grandparents & Guardians.

- Please ensure anyone who is entering the shop has a mask to wear.
- Please confirm that you do not have any symptoms of COVID-19 when you arrive to book-in. By confirming this we will book you in and take a contact number should we be required to get in touch with you for NHS track and trace.
- Your temperature will be taken & if your temperature is above 37.2 then you will be asked to leave the premises.
- A scorer will meet you outside the shop and will explain how we will move you through the stands and the order you will shoot in before starting on the next stand. We will no longer be doing any shoot-offs or prize giving at the end of the day and any ties will be decided by count back.
- Please note that if adults wish to accompany a junior on the Winter Series events, to reduce group numbers we can only allow one adult per child on the grounds. Only the shooter and scorer will enter the stand - you will be asked to wait on the grass area behind the stand.
- The scorer will let you know the order you will shoot on each stand. Please ensure you are ready to enter the stand to shoot on the exit of the person before you. This is to ensure that there is no crowding of the stand, and we can move you through the stands as quickly as possible. Please ensure you remain a safe distance from all others in the group you are shooting with.

Other Info

- Please only book-in once you are ready to shoot.
- TSC Medals will be given out in each category from 1st - 3rd.
- We reserve the right to change any of the prizes at our own discretion and a conversation will not be entered into.
- Any prizes will be given out in relation to the number of entries in each category.