

## **A. Factory Sporter/Varmint Class:**

1. A FACTORY RIFLE is one that has its entire original factory or the manufacturing factory replaced components and of a caliber that FACTORY produced ammunition can be purchased. "Any caliber that an individual can buy from the ammunition companies of Federal, Remington, Winchester, Norma, Hornady, or Nosler is permitted in the "FACTORY SPORTER/VARMINT CLASS". "All other calibers will need to shoot in the Custom Class. 200, 300 and 500 yds. Distances to be shot in that order, using the same targets as other classes. Targets will be the same for all classes. Targets used at all distances will be the same as 2008.

2. For this class the only modifications to the firearm that will be accepted are as follows:

- a. Re-crowning of the barrel.
- b. Rebluing.
- c. Refinishing the stock as long as the basic factory shape has not been altered to fit your front and back rests etc.
- d. Bedding of the action and barrel.
- e. Any triggers with safety and there is no weight limit. After market triggers allowed.
- f. NO OTHER CHANGES WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR THE "FACTORY SPORTER/VARMINT CLASS. ANY OTHER CHANGES WILL PUT THE RIFLE IN THE "CUSTOM CLASS"!

**B. Custom Limited Class:** - Custom built rifles weighting up to and including 17 lbs. -200, 300 and 500 yds. Distances to be shot in that order, using the same targets as other classes. Targets will be the same for all classes. Targets used at all distances will be the same as 2008.

**Custom Unlimited Class:** - Custom built rifles weighting 17.01 lbs. or more. -200, 300 and 500 yds. Distances to be shot in that order, using the same targets as other classes. Targets will be the same for all classes. Targets used at all distances will be the same as 2008.

## **REGISTRATION**

Registration will be from 7:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. Registration ends after everyone has finished the first relay.

Once registered there will be NO refunds unless match is canceled. However the monies may be designated toward another scheduled match during the same year. NOTE: Each shooter must be present to register him or herself at each match. No one can register another shooter.

You will pick your relay and bench at the time you register. NOTE: The Groundhog Shoot Committee may, at its discretion, place shooters so that relays are full thus alleviating excess time for the match.

The first relay will begin at approximately 9 a.m.

Bring your firearm to the registration area so it can be checked (Factory Sporter) or weighted (Custom Limited) except for those who are shooting in an unlimited class. For safety purposes: Bolt-action firearms will have bolts remove. Slide, lever or hinged action firearms will have their actions open and a piece of cloth inserted into the action so it can be seen and the action cannot be closed.

If two or more shooters are using the same firearm and/or equipment it will be their responsibility to notify the GHS committee so provisions can be made to allow both participants to shoot. This will be the only time shooters may switch relays/benches with other shooters. The scorekeeper must be notified of any and all changes before 9:00 a.m. so the target personnel can make the proper adjustments.

**Costs per firearm used during the match: Youth - \$7.00, Adult – Adult \$12.00 per gun.**

**NOTE: The last match of the year will cost \$20.00/gun. The club will get \$6.00 per gun. The other \$14.00/per gun goes to the payout of the class winners. There will be no discounts for additional guns this match.**

**NOTE: The range will NOT be open for practice on the morning of the match. It is your responsibility to have your equipment ready to compete upon arrival!**

## **MATCH**

Each match will consist of three distances for each competitor. You will maintain your relay and bench number for each of the three distances. You will be permitted 2 minutes of set-up time once you are given the command to take your seat.

You will be permitted unlimited, spotted sighter shots at each distance but ONLY five shots on your record target. Relay time limits are as follows: Closest distance – 6 minutes. Intermediate distances – 7 minutes. Longest distance – 9 minutes. **It is the responsibility of each competitor to watch their own target. No penalty will be assessed for admitting to an accidental crossfire.**

**In the case of crossfire or any other discrepancies the decision of the target committee is final. If there is no identifiable crossfire the lowest five shots on the target will count towards the score.**

- 1. If another competitor admits to cross firing, and at that time the range officer positively identifies the shot the crossfire will not count.**
- 2. If the crossfire can be identified by a clear difference in bullet diameter it will not count.**
- 3. Any crossfire that can be positively identified by entry hole colors when the same calibers are used will not count towards the score.**

If your first sighter shot goes on the score target let the “Range Master” know before you shoot another shot, if you don’t that shot will be counted as a score shot.

## **AWARDS**

Longest distance group: The competitor who has the smallest group, “five shots only on the target” and “entirely within the scoring rings”, in their respective class and age grouping will receive \$10.00.

Each match: Depending on the number of competitors per class and age grouping cash awards will be paid.

Any class or age grouping with less than 3 competitors in a given match will automatically be moved to the next higher class or age grouping for pay out purposes only. Aggregate scores and groups will remain in the class in which you registered.

Payouts per class and age grouping will be as follows: 3 competitors = 1 place; 4-5 competitors = 2 places; 6 or more competitors =3 places.

A minimum of one half (1/2) of the monies per match in the class and age groupings will be returned to the shooters.

There will be a four-match aggregate award given, this will be based on the first seven (7) matches only, in each firearms class and age grouping if three or more competitors have competed in the classifications.