

Brock's Gap Center-fire 500-yard Benchrest Information:

Q: Who can participate in the benchrest shoot?

A: Our competition is open to all shooters. We welcome new club members, novice shooters and experienced shooters.

Q: What equipment is needed / suggested to shoot the benchrest matches?

A: 1) Rifle: A Centerfire Bolt Rifle weighing under 17 pounds. (See Classification Info Below)

2) Scope: No limit on magnification. Typically 16 power up to 50 power higher magnification scopes work best.

3) Front and Rear Rest: Two piece rest required. Typically sand bag type rests are used in the rear and a tripod style front rest with sandbag or bipod can be used up front. No return to battery or one piece vice type rests allowed.

4) Ammunition: The match consists of 4 targets with 5 shots on each target as well as a sight in period. 40 to 50 rounds are suggested for the entire 4 target match.

5) Ear and Eye Protection are required.

6) Optional: Personal shooting stool, timing clock, water / soft drinks, snacks, cleaning equipment.

Q: What are the rules?

A: We follow basic established 600 yard type benchrest shooting rules. The match is run or "called" by a match director. Shooters will be called to their benches, the line will be called ready, the command to fire will be given and the match will be 6 minute unlimited sighters. Immediately after sighting period, you will be commanded to go to your "Record targets and fire 5 shots on each target. For record targets, a total of 10 minutes to shoot 5 shots each on two targets for your first relay. Time will be called at the end of the relay and the process repeated for the next squadded relay. Scores and groups will be measured and posted after each relay.

Q: How do I shoot a target?

A: Targets will be scored for points based on a 10 ring system and also will be measured for group size. The edges of the two furthest shots and then the bullet diameter is subtracted. This "group" is recorded on the target and the smallest group wins that round. The average of the 4 groups is called the aggregate. The aggregates of all 4 targets are used to determine the match placement / winners.

Q: Winner determination?

A winner will be declared for the Highest Score, Smallest Aggregate group For each classification. The smallest group of any one target for the day will be declared the winner as well.

Q: What are the types of classifications?

A: There will be three classifications:

Factory: Mass produced firearms with all factory installed components including, action, barrel, stock and trigger.

Factory varmint rifles are included. Rounded or “beavertail” type fore ends less than 2.5” in width are allowed.

Any factory rifle designed to shoot Benchrest will **not** qualify for factory class.

Modified: Mass produced firearm which have altered components to enhance the accuracy over a factory rifle. Aftermarket barrels, triggers OK. Action blueprint OK. GAP, Patriot, Les Baer type tactical rifle builds OK.

Factory guns designed to compete for Benchrest Competition with 3” forearm stocks OK (i.e. - Savage dual port single shot rifles) Muzzle brake OK.

Unlimited Long Range Bench: Custom rifles with custom components designed to follow typical sanctioned IBS / NBRSA Light Gun rules.

Custom actions, barrels, triggers and stocks with over 3” maximum fore-ends and 17 pound max weight OK. Muzzle brakes allowed.

Any type of mounted scope is allowed. No spotting scope allowed during match.

No semi automatic rifles allowed. 338 caliber maximum allowed.

Match Director will have final decision of rule clarification and enforcement.

Q: What are the match times?

A: We begin congregating around 7:30 to 8:00 am. Our goal is to have every shooter ready to go by 8:45 am. Safety meeting is 8:50 am and Line goes hot at 9:00 am.

Q: What is the cost?

A: Only \$15 to shoot the entire match.

Target stands and targets are provided!

We promote safety first. Our rules mandate that participants obey range commands and practice firearm safety at all times. We will have a safety meeting prior to the match.

The benchrest shoots allow a format to converse with fellow shooters and learn a lot about rifle accuracy. We are happy to assist first time benchrest shooters so they have a fun and safe match!

