

2024 WARREN CO. TRAP LEAGUE RULES

1. Every person present at any meeting has a voice in setting up the trap league, but each team can only cast two votes.
2. All shoots will be governed by ATA rules unless a league rule supercedes it.
3. All shooting grounds must be located in Warren County
4. All teams must have their own fields.
5. All traps will be set to throw #2-hole targets. Targets should be checked for height and speed before each match.
6. All teams must have two trap fields; one field must have lights. Club option on using solid pink, solid white, solid green, or solid orange targets. Targets are to remain the same color for the entire match.
7. An elected Third Officer, along with the Pres & Secty/Treas, will be used to settle any and all interpretations of League Rules and everything not covered by League Rules. Their decisions will be final. Third Officer will also be a stand-in for Pres or Secty/Treas in case of emergency
8. Starting time will be 5:30 pm. You may start earlier if there is a member from each team present. Shooters must sign up themselves. No shooter will be permitted to sign up after 7:30 pm unless there is an opening on an existing squad sheet that stays in the sign up area for everyone to see.
*****ANYONE VIOLATING THE SIGN UP RULE: THEIR SCORE WILL NOT COUNT FOR TEAM OR PERSONAL SCORE FOR THAT NIGHT. THIS WILL ALSO APPLY TO ANYONE SIGNING UP A LATE SHOOTER. IT WILL BE COUNTED AS A MISSED SHOOT FOR BOTH SHOOTERS.*****
9. All clubs will charge the following prices: Adults--\$14.00 (targets \$12.00/league fee \$2.00) Juniors & Sub Juniors--\$9.00 (targets \$7.00/league fee \$2.00). All shooters will pay the \$2.00 league fee.
10. All scores are based on 50 targets. If a shoot cannot be completed due to circumstances beyond the host teams control, and a shooter cannot attend the make-up shoot, they will be recorded as a missed shoot. Their league fees will be refunded.
11. The seven highest scores will count for team score. There will be no limit on the number of shooters a team may field. If there are not enough shooters to field a seven-person team on any night, then the scores shot will count as team score.
12. Team scoring will be based on a point system. A team will receive 2 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, & 0 points for a loss. Total birds will not break ties.
13. The home team captain will be responsible for seeing that all scores are sent to the secretary. (Top 7 scores; also High Lady; Sub Jr; Jr; Vet; Svet; & SSVet. And also the names of anyone shooting their first 25 or 50 straight in this league.) The results are to be delivered, emailed, or called to the secretary by noon on the next day following any shoot. All money is to be sent in **CHECK FORM ONLY, made payable to Warren County Trap League, immediately at the end of each half.**
14. A shooter does not need to be a member of the club for which they are participating in the league.
A shooter may change teams until week #3. A shooter must remain with the club he/she shoots for on or after week #3 for the remainder of the season.
15. All category shooters will finish the season in the same category with which they started.
SUB-JUNIOR; Any shooter who has not reached their 15th birthday by the first league shoot
JUNIOR: Any shooter over age 15 but has not reached their 18th birthday by the first league shoot

VETERAN: Any shooter over age 65 but has not reached their 70th birthday by the first league shoot

SENIOR VETERAN: Any shooter over age 70 but has not reached their 75th birthday by the first league shoot

SUPER SENIOR VETERAN: Any shooter that has reached their 75th birthday by the first league shoot

16. In the event there are not enough shooters to fill a squad, short squads will be permitted in order to keep things moving. No shooter can shoot a practice round until after they have posted a league score. A league shooter will have preference over a practice shooter. Practice rounds will be left up to the discretion of the host club.

17. All shooters must shoot at least 11 of the league matches for the year to be eligible for league prizes. A shooter must shoot 50% or more of the seasons matches to compete for a club in any shoot-off. **NOTE:** With Sugar Grove going to one team, each of the remaining teams will have a bye week in each half. **The bye week will be counted as a regular scheduled week of the league. You will shoot at home, & scores (and league fees) will be submitted to the league. This will count toward your league average & as a made (or missed) shoot.** However, no team points will be awarded for the bye week.

18. In case a shoot has to be stopped because of power outage, inclement weather, lightning/thunder, or other situations, the following rules shall apply: A)- any round of 50 targets completed shall be recorded as scored. B)-any round of 25 targets completed shall be recorded as scored. C)- any round with less than 25 targets completed shall be reshot on the designated make-up day. D)-anyone who has not yet shot may shoot on the make-up day whether already signed up or not. E)- if a person with an incomplete round cannot attend the make-up shoot, they will be marked as a missed shoot & their league fee will be refunded.

NOTE: In case of lightning/thunder stoppage, shooters should wait 20 minutes before shoot may resume.

19. Shoot-offs will be held at the end of each half if needed to break ties; on the following Tuesday night at the end of each half; and on the Wednesday night following the end of the season, if needed, between the first & second half winners to decide the first & second place teams. If one team wins both halves, there will be a shoot-off to determine second place team. Shoot-offs will be at a neutral field. No practice rounds will be permitted during any shoot-off. Shoot-offs to be rotated among all all eligible clubs. If the first or second team is in the shoot-off, it will be held at the third listed club. The order of the host teams is as follows: 1. Pine Grove, 2. Brokenstraw, 3. Tidioute, 4. Sheffield, 5. Sugar Grove, 6. Corry 7. Kalbfus. In case of any problems, the league officers will make final decision. Officers will also set the rules & oversee the shoot-offs. An adult referee will be assigned to each trap by the host club and they will have the final say on any disputed calls. If the top seven scores of each team in a shoot-off ends in a tie, the scores of the 8th, 9th, 10th etc. shooters will be recorded until the tie is broken & there is a winner.

20. Shoot-offs, if needed, will be held on Tues. June 27 for the 1st half; Tues. Aug. 15 for the 2nd half; & Wed. Aug. 16 for the finals. The starting time for all shoot-offs to be as early as possible, but no later than 5:30 pm.

21. Final league averages will be based on all scores shot of a total of 14 possible shoots. The League will award trophies for 1st & 2nd place teams, high team score, and 1st & 2nd high averages for Juniors & Sub Juniors. The top (#TBD) eligible shooters in each class (using Field Day classes) shall be awarded league prizes of equal value; e.g. the top E-class shooters to receive the same prizes as the top AA-class shooters. In lieu of trophies, an additional prize will be awarded to: High Average; Most targets broken (unless the same person records both); 2nd High Average; Long Run; High Lady; High Vet; High SVet; & High SSVet. The Top Ten Averages of eligible shooters shall also receive a prize. In case of a tie for High Team score, duplicate trophies will be awarded. In case of a tie for Long Run, equal prizes will be awarded.

22. To be eligible for Field Day event, shooters must pay up the \$2.00 league fee for each shoot missed. This money shall be collected by team captains & turned in to the League Secty/Treas. Within 7 days of the last league shoot. For Field Day shooting, ATA classes will NOT be used. Prizes will be awarded equally in six (6) average classes with five (5) prizes in each class. The number of shooters in each average class will be determined by dividing the number of shooters that shot in 11 or more of the league matches by 6. This will be done as equally as possible (Lewis Class style). Any shooters that shot less than 11 shoots may compete for prizes on Field Day provided they pay the league fee for all missed shoots. They will be placed in the average class where their average falls. All tie scores in any classes will be broken by a handicap "sudden-death" shoot-off. An optional High Gun Purse may be offered with each class shooting for their own money. This will be at the discretion of, & run by, the host club.

23. Field Day & Dinner to be held all on the same day (on a Saturday). Host of Field Day to be rotated among all the clubs. The rotation will be , 1. PG, 2. COR, 3. BKS, 4. TID, 5. KAL, 6. SG, 7. SHF. This year the Field Day will be held at Pine Grove on Sat. Sept. 7. Sign-up for shooting will be from 10 am till 2 pm.. The menu for the dinner is TBD by the host club with the approval of the league officers. The dinner facility must be non-smoking, unless held outdoors.

24. The League Secty will provide a reservation form (for signing up team members who plan to attend the dinner and/or Field Day) to each team prior to the week #13 league shoot. Reservations should have the names of all team members planning to attend, Number of guests, payment of league fees for missed shoots, & payment for dinners for guests. This must be returned by Friday Aug. 18 this year.

25. The Secty/Treas shall be paid an annual fee of \$750, plus any expenses, to be paid from the league account.

26. The host team captain is responsible for sending scores for all shoots by email or phone to the Secty. According to Rule #13. Score sheets & checks shall be delivered or sent to:

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