Rules and Sport Shooting Regulations of the ISB International Shooting Association



Regulations for Muzzleloader Rifles

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1. General information:

The specifications of each discipline are stated in the Shooting Rules of each shooting category.

The "International Shooting Regulations" "ISchO" of the ISB are to be consulted for all activities and competitions.

Muzzle loading rifles are usually single-shot.

The type of priming (matchlock, flintlock or percussion) is not considered in the ISB.

2. Firearms:

Weapon type:	rifles which are loaded from the muzzle.	
	Original weapons or replicas can be used.	
Barrel length:	without limitation.	
Trigger:	without limitation.	
Sights:	rear sight and front sight, adjustable or fixed sights.	

Condition: basically standard (out of the box), only commercially available accessories may be used which do not give any advantage over the standard model.

Valid proof of the weapon must be available, no technical defects.

3. Ammunition:

Lead bullets corresponding to the caliber, which are fired by black powder or black powder substitute.

The gunpowder must be brought to the shooting range individually filled in powder tubes for each shot. Filling or handling powder at the shooting range is expressly forbidden.

Only the amount of gunpowder intended for the particular firearm may be loaded.



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4. Equipment:

According to ISchO 3.2.10. every shooter und every person present on the shooting range has to wear ear and eye protection.

Additional equipment: Filled powder tubes with propellant powder inside - ready to use.

5. Safety regulations:

According to ISchO 3.2. till 3.2.10.

6. Shooting positions:

The required shooting positions must be proclaimed in the announcement of the competition for every single discipline. The organizer of the event can choose from the following shooting positions:

- "Sitting" according ISchO 7.1.
- "Sitting Free" according ISchO 7.2.
- "Standing Free" according ISchO 7.4.
- "Prone" according ISchO 7.5.
- "Prone Free" according ISchO 7.6.
- "Kneeling Free" according ISchO 7.8.

7. Disciplines:

Every shooter must shoot at least 2 series in every discipline during a competition, evaluation according to deck series. Unlimited rebuy.

Every shooter must shoot 5 series in every discipline during a championship, evaluation according to deck series. No rebuy.

The organizer of the event can choose the disciplines.



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All disciplines have to be proclaimed and explained in the announcement of the competition. The organizer of the event can choose one or more disciplines for that competition. The shooters don't have to participate in all disciplines. Evaluation and award ceremony are held for each discipline itself. All distances are in meters.

With muzzle loading rifles 2 test shots may be fired in each series to check the function.

These test shots do not count towards the score; therefore the two worst hits in each series are deducted.

If there are more hits than allowed on the target, the best hit will be deducted.

Disciplines of the ISB for Muzzleloading Rifles				
No.:	shots / program	distance	target	
BP09	10 shots in 30 minutes (+ 2 test shots)	50	T1 ISB Ring Target	
BP10		100	550x550 mm	
BP11	10 shots in 30 minutes (+ 2 test shots)	200	T7 ISB- Longrange	
BP12		300	Target 1100x1100mm	

