

## CANADIAN TRAPSHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS - CLASSIFICATION AND HANDICAPPING

CTA Delegates and Shoot Officials are the Classification and Handicap Committee. Classification will be based on official ATA or PITA averages and known ability. Known ability will consider:

- Official averages (abnormally low scores will be discarded)
- Non-registered scores including shoot-off and practice scores.
- Any other information bearing on a shooter's abilities to shoot and break targets.

In all cases, known ability will have a strong bearing on classification. The Classification Committee reserves the authority to change the classification of any shooter at any time, and the additional authority, through proper channels with the ATA, to make any yardage change they deem necessary.

Any shooter whose classification is not signed by the Classification Committee will be disqualified. Shooters are required to have their 16-yard singles and doubles averages computed prior to registration. Shooters who present an average card without all targets recorded and / or without averages being calculated will not be classified until the card is completed.

To be considered a Resident Shooter, a shooter must be born in Canada or currently a permanent resident. Shooters must declare Residency at the time of registration.

Penalty classification may be assigned at the discretion of the Classification Committee.

### TARGET REQUIREMENTS

**SINGLES:** A shooter with fewer than 1000 16-yard targets in the current and previous target year combined will be placed in Class B or higher.

**HANDICAP:** A shooter with fewer than 1000 handicap targets in the current and previous target year combined will be handicapped at no less than 23 yards or their current handicap yardage, whichever is greater.

**Exception:** Lady, Sub-Junior, Junior or Senior Veteran category shooters not meeting target requirements will be handicapped at no less than 20 yards or their current yardage, whichever is greater. Known ability may be used to assign a penalty yardage greater than 20.

Shooters with an established yardage who do not meet target requirements, may avoid penalty and shoot from their established yardage for "targets only" forfeiting all options, purses, trophies, or added money.

It is the shooter's responsibility to notify the Classification Committee if they are a member of any other ATA recognized trapshooting association. Shooters holding multiple memberships will shoot from the handicap yardage of whichever association shows the greater yardage, or as determined by official ATA rules.

**DOUBLES:** Any shooter with fewer than 700 doubles targets in the current and previous target year combined will be placed in Class B or higher.

### CLASS ADVANCES

Shooters winning or tying for any singles or doubles class in the 1000 target program may be advanced at least one class for the next like event. Class advances are at the discretion of the Classification Committee.

It is the responsibility of shooters earning yardage in any Handicap event to report to the Classification Committee for their yardage punch and any possible squadding revisions.