**Virginia 4-H "Spring Air" Air Pistol Silhouette, 2020**

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Targets: 1/10 scale metallic silhouettes

Course of Fire: Twenty (20) shots, four stages, 5 shots each stage.

5 shots chickens at 10 yards

5 shots pigs at 12.5 yards

5 shots turkeys at 15 yards

5 shots rams at 18 yards

Position: In a single match, each competitor will use only one position.

There are three positions authorized:

* Basic Supported – Maximum age is 12
* Standing Supported – Maximum age is 14
* Standing – Minimum age 13

\*\*”Spring Air” Supported Division\*\*

The **Basic Supported** and **Standing Supported** positions correspond to the positions in the USA Shooting-NRA Progressive-Position Air Pistol Rules

The **Basic Supported** position corresponds to rule 5.1.1. The feet and legs of a seated shooter may cross the firing line beneath the table or bench.

The **Standing Supported** position corresponds to rule 5.1.2

\*\*”Spring Air” Standing Division\*\*

The **Standing** position corresponds to the NRA Silhouette Pistol Rules

The **Standing** position will conform to the NRA pistol silhouette rule “5.8 Standing - The pistol is held in one hand or both hands at the shooter’s option, with the arm or arms not braced or supported by other parts of the body. Neither the “trigger” hand (or arm) nor any part of the pistol may make contact with the opposite arm at any point at or above the pivot point of the wrist.” A standing shooter must not touch the firing line with either foot. The pistol and other parts of the body may extend beyond the firing line as long as no part of the body contacting the floor is on or in front of the firing line. Go to [https://competitions.nra.org/media/7743/nra-pistol-silhouette-rules.pdf](https://competitions.nra.org/media/7743/nra-pistol-silhouette-rules.pdf%20%20%20)  for illustrations of correct and incorrect standing positions.

Equipment: Any air pistol, any sights. Shooters must furnish their own pistol, pellets and equipment. No shooting jackets, gloves or slings allowed.

Time Limits: For each string of 5 shots, there will be a 30 second ready (preparation time) and a 2 minute 30 second fire. One shot will be fired at each metal silhouette starting on the left and moving left to right.

Awards: First, second, and third place individual in two divisions as follows: (1) Supported division which includes basic supported and standing supported and (2) Standing division (no support). Ties will be broken by long run as follows - 1) Ram, then if still tied by 2) Turkey, then 3) Pig, then 4) Chicken. Achievement awards will be given to each individual based upon individual score.

Rules: Based on the NRA Air Pistol Metallic Silhouette Rules.

Coaches’ Responsibility: Coaches are allowed (and encouraged) to be on the line and may coach their shooters while firing. Coaches are allowed to load and cock air guns only for supported competitors. It is the responsibility of each coach to insure that each of their competitors have met the minimum requirements (completed portfolio) including knowing how to follow range commands and practice safe firearms handling. Competitors must come with experience shooting the firearm they will be using and should have sight settings for the four distances.

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