**English Open Sportrap 2023**

**New shoot off format**

25.26 In the event of a tie, whenever practicable and in accordance with the Jury’s instructions, a tie-break will decide the winner(s). Failing which, the ‘count back’ system can be used (see rule 1.10).

25.27 Ties will be broken by shooting stands 1 and 5 (ten targets) from a standard round (twenty-five targets), on a layout (with targets not used at any other stage of the event) decided by the Jury or Organiser.

25.28 Two shooters will shoot sequentially (one in each stand based on the official score card determined with count back), with experienced and competent ‘filler shooters’ used if there should be an odd number (which may include referees and ground staff). Each shooter will shoot a total of 5 targets per stand in an alternating sequence starting with singles, then on-report/following pairs, and then simultaneous pairs e.g. stand 1 single, stand 5 single, stand 1 on-report pair, stand 5 on-report pair, stand 1 simultaneous pair, and stand 5 simultaneous pair. Once the sequence is complete, both shooters will swap stands to shoot the remaining 5 targets.

25.29 If a tie still exists, the remaining tied competitors will go into a “sudden death” shoot-off. All tied shooters tied must have shot the ten-target sequence before those remaining as tied can proceed to the “sudden death” tie-break together.

25.30 The “sudden death” tie-break will consist of the remainder of the tied competitors each shooting from stand 3, simultaneous pairs until a winner is determined. At all times competitors must shoot at an equal number of targets.