#### Premier League Rules and Regulations - 2020

## 1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Premier League is designed to showcase the best of our member Clubs facilities and create an annual competition for CPSA members to participate in. Individual and team trophies can be competed for as well as cash and other prizes. For 2020 there will be a new format for the League with two divisions (North & South) each comprising four teams, competing independently of each other for the title of divisional winner and a sliding scale points system to be carried forward into an all-teams super-final at a neutral Premier or Premier Plus venue.
- 1.2 The Premier League fixtures will be organised by the participating teams. Each team will be responsible for organising and running one event in the Premier League calendar. Teams currently invited to participate in the Premier League are:

## South Division:

E J Churchill's Shooting Ground – 22/02/2020 Southdown Gun Club – 29/03/2020 Owls Lodge Shooting School – 11/04/2020 Atkin Grant & Lang – 30/05/2020

### North Division:

Orston Shooting Ground – 09/02/2020 Cambridge Gun Club – 14/03/2020 Doveridge – 19/04/2020 Sporting Targets – 10/05/2020

### Super-final:

West London Shooting School – 11/07/2020

- 1.3 Unless these rules and regulations state otherwise CPSA General and Technical Rules (Booklet 1) are to apply.
- 1.4 These rules and regulations are to be reviewed annually.
- 2 Team composition
- 2.1 Each team may comprise of up to 50 (fifty) competitors of any classification (including unclassified) and category.
- 2.1.1 Each Team will be awarded the following points based on the position they finish within their division and this will be carried forward into the super-final:
  - 2.1.2 1<sup>st</sup> Place + 10 Points
  - 2.1.3 2<sup>nd</sup> Place + 8 Points
  - 2.1.4 3<sup>rd</sup> Place + 6 Points
  - 2.1.5 4<sup>th</sup> Place + 4 Points
- 2.2 The classification and category at the start of the Premier League calendar will apply for the purposes of the handicap system for fixtures prior to 1<sup>st</sup> March and any changes to classifications on 1<sup>st</sup> March or any birthdays in the intervening period will be applied from the 1<sup>st</sup> March and then 1<sup>st</sup> June for the remaining fixtures. For the purposes of the overall Premier League positions, this will be determined by the highest Class between the 1<sup>st</sup> & last day of the Premier League series (Rule 4.2 of CPSA Booklet 1).

- 2.3 Unclassified competitors will be classified on the day of the first fixture and this classification will apply for the duration of the Premier League subject to clause 2.2 above.
- 2.4 It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that they have been allocated into the correct CPSA classes and categories.
- 2.5 A handicap will be applied to the scores on the Premier League website as follows:
  - 2.5.1 AA class 0 Points
  - 2.5.2 A class +5 Points
  - 2.5.3 B class +10 Points
  - 2.5.4 C class +15 Points
- 2.6 The maximum possible score with handicap applied will be capped at 100.
- 2.7 A bonus point (one point) will be applied to all competitors who attend the Premier League super-final shoot in the series which will count towards their teams top 10 (ten) total for that fixture.
- 2.9 The top 10 (ten) scores from each team will count towards their team's overall standing.
- 2.10 Each competitor's best 3 (three) scores out of a potential 5 (five) scores will count towards their individual and team standing.
- 3 Eligibility
- 3.1 Competitors must
  - 3.1.1 be full competition members (for the avoidance of doubt Clubman members are not eligible)
  - 3.1.2 register for their teams online or at a ground (only eligible to shoot for one team in the series) before shooting commences in their respective divisions and pay a non-refundable registration fee of £5 (five pounds). The whole of this registration fee will go into the prize fund along with a £3 per shooter levy at each of the registered fixtures and
  - 3.1.3 compete in a minimum of 3 (three) fixtures for their scores to count in the overall standings.

# 3.2 Clubs/Grounds must

- 3.2.1 apply the competitor eligibility rules to their team members
- 3.2.2 host a 100 bird English Sporting registered fixture at which normal CPSA competition rules will apply
- 3.2.3 agree to sponsor the High Gun prize at their event for £250
- 3.2.4 permit non-team members who are members of the CPSA to enter regardless of whether they are part of the teams or not.
- 3.3 The person who sets the course at the ground may not take part in that ground's fixture but may nominate a shooter of the same or lower classification to take part on their behalf.
- 4 Cartridges
- 4.1 The maximum permitted load is 28 grams.
- 4.2 Clubs/Grounds must advertise any fibre/plastic wad restrictions on their premises, websites and publicity materials. Failure to advertise such restrictions may result in penalties being imposed.
- 4.3 Competitors must make enquiries of Clubs/Grounds as to any fibre/plastic wad restrictions. Failure to observe such restrictions may result in disqualification from the Premier League.
- 5 Administration
- 5.1 The CPSA will administer the scores and handicaps upon receipt of the score-file as per 5.4. The CPSA will then invoice the Club for payment of the £3 levy per shooter (all shooters to pay the levy).
- 5.2 Each club/ground will nominate a team member to the jury for the duration of the fixture and in the event of a dispute the jury's decision will be final.
- 5.3 In the event of cancellation of a fixture by the hosting Club/Ground, the hosting Club/Ground shall make every effort to reschedule the fixture as soon as possible.

- 5.4 At the conclusion of each fixture the hosting Club/Ground shall retain the competition scorecards. The scores must be submitted electronically to the CPSA within 7 days by an appointed member of the Club/Ground.
- 6 Prize Draw
  - To qualify for any prize draws competitors must
- 6.1 take part in a minimum of 3 (three) fixtures including the super-final at West London Shooting School on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July.
- 6.2 Be present at the prize draw following the conclusion of the trophy presentations at the above event.
- 7 Entry Fees
- 7.1 The entry fees for the Premier League fixtures will be determined by the host club/ground but will include a levy of £3 per shooter which will be included in the overall prize fund.
- 7.2 The CPSA encourage the host club/ground to offer a reduced entry fee to Juniors and Colts.
- 7.3 Entry fees and funding for prizes will be reviewed annually.
- 8 Awards
- 8.1 The following trophies will be sponsored by the CPSA and supplied at the final fixture, namely:
  - 8.1.1 Overall Winning Team Trophy (perpetual)
  - 8.1.2 Overall Winning Team Plaque
  - 8.1.3 Overall High Gun
  - 8.1.4 Overall Runner Up
  - 8.1.5 Overall Third
  - 8.1.6 North Division Winning Team
  - 8.1.7 South Division Winning Team
  - 8.1.8 AA Class High Gun
  - 8.1.9 AA Class Runner Up
  - 8.1.10 AA Class Third
  - 8.1.11 A Class High Gun
  - 8.1.12 A Class Runner Up
  - 8.1.13 A Class Third
  - 8.1.14 B Class High Gun
  - 8.1.15 B Class Runner Up
  - 8.1.16 B Class Third
  - 8.1.17 C Class High Gun
  - 8.1.18 C Class Runner Up
  - 8.1.19 C Class Third
  - 8.1.20 Lady High Gun
  - 8.1.21 Lady Runner Up
  - 8.1.22 Lady Third
  - 8.1.23 Veteran High Gun
  - 8.1.24 Veteran Runner Up
  - 8.1.25 Veteran Third
  - 8.1.26 Junior High Gun
  - 8.1.27 Junior Runner Up
  - 8.1.28 Junior Third
  - 8.1.29 Colt High Gun
  - 8.1.30 Colt Runner Up
  - 8.1.31 Colt Third

- 8.2 In the event of an individual tie, countback will be used to determine the positions as Premier League competitors are required to shoot 3 ex 5 fixtures but not specifically the last. The overall scores will be compared from the last shoot that the tied competitors attended and if still tied then the next shoot where the tied competitors attended and so on. If all tied competitors are present at the final, then a shoot off will determine the positions. 5 (five) pairs, 10 (ten) targets in total, will be shot at from a stand to be determined by the Jury. If a tie still exists a further 5 (five) pairs will be shot at from a different stand to be determined by the Jury. If a tie still exists a "sudden death" tie break on pairs will follow until the tie is broken. All competitors must shoot at an equal number of targets.
- 8.3 In the event a team tie break is required each team shall nominate three members to take part in the tie break. All nominated team members must be present at the start of the tie break. Incomplete teams will be disqualified. The team order shall be determined by the tossing of a coin. Each team member will shoot at a pair of targets from a new stand (not used at any other stage of the event). The first member of each team will shoot. They will be followed by the remaining team members in rotation until all have shot and the total score for each team is determined. Should a tie still exist then the procedure will be repeated until the tie is broken.
- 9 Reservation of rights
- 9.1 The CPSA will not be liable to provide a cash alternative to any prize.
- 9.2 The CPSA reserves the right to change the prizes and amend the rules and regulations.

### 10 General

These rules and regulations incorporate the CPSA's Championship Terms and Conditions and where there is a discrepancy these rules and regulations take precedence.