

Stalker's Test

This competition may only be shot in 'Test' (BSRC Class 'B') form. The following rules apply in addition to those detailed in Rules Applicable to all Static Sporting Target Competitions:

Rifles & Ammunition: This competition is restricted to rifles which meet the BSRC Class B centrefire standard.

Range and Target Standards: Targets must be of a design approved by the Executive Committee of the BSRC. The target currently approved by the Executive Committee used for this competition is the DJV roebuck.

The competition is designed to be shot on the BSRC Statics range.

Shooting Position: The Stalkers Test is shot from five positions:

- Bench or simulated high seat,
- Prone,
- Sitting,
- Kneeling,
- Standing.

No part of the structure of the firing point shelter may be used as a support in any of the five positions. No additional aids, such as a support for the rifle, may be used when shooting from the bench or simulated high seat. Slings may be used in all five positions and a stalkers stick (monopod or bipod), suitable for use in the field, may be used to steady the leading arm. If used, the same stick must be used throughout, although it may be adjusted between positions if this can be done without undue delay. A rifle-mounted bipod may be used instead of the stick, provided that the rifle gross weight limit is not exceeded and that it remains attached to the rifle throughout the complete course of fire. Personal effects typical of those that might be carried in the field, such as a small rucksack, may be used as a rest for the rifle in the prone position, or to support the body in the sitting and kneeling positions.

Course of Fire: The Stalkers Test is essentially a test of competence for shooters who regularly stalk live deer. The Test comprises two shots from each of the five positions detailed above. There is no time limit for this test but it must be completed without undue delay. Unless there is an interruption to shooting, once the rifle has been raised to the shoulder it may not be removed until the shot has been fired. No more than two rounds may be loaded in each position and the Range Officer (RO) must check that all rifles are unloaded and the action open before permitting a change of position. All shooters in a detail must fire their two shots from each position before they all change position together. Shooting will be under the control of the RO who will ensure that, as far as practicable, the conditions are the same for all participants.