

## **Upper Adams Fish and Game**

### **Running Deer and Elk Shoot Rules**

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#### **General Rules**

- #1 It is recommended that all shooters wear eye and ear protection while shooting.
- #2 No alcoholic beverages or drugs will be permitted on UAF&G property. The club is dry except for the night of the annual members feed. Remember: Firearms, alcohol, and/or drugs DO NOT mix.
- #3 Only the shooter and on deck shooter will be permitted in the shooting/back porch area. If the shooter is in the Junior class a parent/guardian must be with them in shooting area/back porch area.
- #4 Shooter must stand in the designated shooting area for both the running and standing positions so the person in the control room can clearly see them.
- #5 Firearms may only be loaded once in the designated shooting area. This means no shells in the magazine and no clips installed in firearm till in designated shooting area. As firearm is loaded muzzle must be kept pointed down range and in a safe direction. If you have a problem, the firearm must be cleared before leaving designated shooting area. If you have a serious problem the range officer and person in control room will make the decision to temporarily stop the shoot until it is safe.
- #6 Handgun shooters may not load firearm until in the designated shooting area and must make sure firearm is empty before leaving shooting area.
- #7 All firearms must have action open and magazine cleared before leaving shooting area and entering building.
- #8 Once the shoot starts, unless in an emergency, participants are not to leave club property until they are finished shooting. This is to keep the event going smoothly. If you leave before shoot is over you will be disqualified.
- #9 It is the responsibility of the shooters to cooperate with the range officer to conduct a safe and efficient match. Any rules not followed or unsafe act done could cause the participant to be disqualified and asked to leave the property.
- #10 Shooters may sign up to shoot for no score but must shoot for score before shooting no score.
- #11 The range officer and club officers decisions and interpretations of rules are FINAL. These rules may be clarified or modified at the discretion of the UAF&G Officers.

## **Equipment**

- #1 Any center fire rifle and caliber legal for deer hunting in PA will be allowed to shoot for score in the scoped and open/iron sight classes for the deer portion of the event.
- #2 For Elk you must be using a 25 caliber or larger rifle to be permitted to shoot for score in your designated classes. You may shoot smaller calibers under .25 at the Elk but you must enter them in a special class or shoot them for a no-score. It is the responsibility of the shooter to notify staff at sign up if you are shooting a smaller caliber.
- #3 Handgun class will consist of a revolver, bolt action or break-open action. No semi-auto handguns are permitted for score. Semi-auto handguns can be shot for a no-score.
- #4 Scopes in the deer and elk classes have no restriction on magnification.
- #5 Semi-auto rifles will be permitted to shoot the deer and elk but will be placed in their own individual classes to be scored.
- #6 No shotguns will be permitted on deer or elk targets.
- #7 Each shooter MUST use the same rifle for all three positions on the deer. If you have a problem with your firearm the range officer may permit a substitute rifle.
- #8 No spotting scopes, spotter to call your shots, release triggers, butt hooks, palm rest, silencers or suppressors are permitted.
- # Shooters may use slings attached to rifle, gloves that do not form a pocket for rifle, shooting vest, recoil pad attached to rifle or shooting coat.

## **Range Control**

- #1 All shooters will be assigned an identification number at sign in. That will be your number for the deer and elk for that day.
- #2 You will be called by number for the deer and then by your name for the elk.
- #3 Shooter and on deck shooter will be announced over the Pa. system. Please listen for your number or name to keep the shoot moving.
- #4 When one shooter is finished they will clear the firearm and pick up shells. The next shooter will take position in shooting area, load firearm and be ready for target. If you cannot find brass please leave shooting area and come back after match to find brass. This is to keep the shoot running smoothly and for safety of shooters.

## Course of Event

- #1 Running Deer will be 3 positions: A) Slow run B) Standing C) Fast run  
Four (4) shots at most will be fired at each position. Elk will be five (5) shots. All shooting is done off hand.
- #2 Running Deer Target: Once the target clears the orange post you may fire 1<sup>st</sup> shot. Once the target starts there will be no alibis. The target will not be stopped and restarted unless malfunction of club equipment. If you shoot before orange post, after end barrier, or while the target is going backwards the highest shot score will be deducted from total round score.
- #3 Standing Deer and Elk Targets: Once the target comes out and stops you may start shooting, you will have 5 minutes to shoot your 4 shots on deer and 5 shots on elk. When you complete your shots please pick up casings and leave shooting area. Your scores will be posted. Do not stand there and try to count score or stand by control room window to see score.
- #4 Ties will be broken by x rings or highest shot scored on target for the round. When two shooters are tied for end of day score the tie will be broken by fast run score then the standing then slow run. Ties for end of year will be broken using same method. All shooters must be present or leave score cards to be eligible to break ties.

## Classification

- #1 Classes:
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| 0 Top Dog Scope Rifle                | 49 or better                  |
| 1 First Class Scope Rifle            | 48 to 42                      |
| 2 Second Class Scope Rifle           | 41 to 35                      |
| 3 Third Class Scope Rifle            | 34 and below                  |
| 4 Ladies Class (All female shooters) | May shoot smaller cal. at Elk |
| 5 Handgun                            |                               |
| 6 Iron Sight/Peep Sight Rifle        |                               |
| 7 Junior Class (Age 16 & Under)      | May shoot smaller cal. at Elk |
| 8 Semi Auto Rifle Class              |                               |

(Elk Classification will be same as scope rifle unless using smaller caliber for special class)

- #2 Your average score for year will be taken by adding your highest four (4) scores for the spring meet. We hold six (6) shoots so you can miss two (2) and still qualify for end of year.
- #3 Shooters who are unclassified will shoot 2<sup>nd</sup> class. All shooters will be classified after shooting four (4) shoots in one year or the following year. If you fail to make four (4) shoots, your score will be averaged based on the number of shoots you make. Your classification will stay with you until you make 4 shoots in one year for reclassifying.