

Preface

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This programme is for guidance and is not to be taken as a rigid syllabus. To indicate the content appropriate to young people with varying degrees of knowledge and experience, it is arranged under three headings: 'For beginners', 'For those with some knowledge' and 'For the more advanced', and participants are free to select as broad or as restricted an aspect of this skill as they wish, but appropriate social and cultural aspects are to be covered.

The safety requirements underlined must be followed.

RECREATIVE SKILLS

AIR PISTOL SHOOTING

Introduction

Wherever possible, those choosing this activity should join a club that is properly constituted and affiliated directly or indirectly to the national body governing the activity. Where appropriate, the participant should be knowledgeable about equipment used and its care and maintenance, about the rules and scoring for the games concerned, about the historical and social aspects of the activity and about the organisation and work of the governing body at national and local levels.

For assessment, each individual is to produce evidence of regular application to the activity over the required period, which may take the form of club membership, certified range attendance, targets shot, score cards, diary or log, but should not be solely on the standards of skill attained.

General

The emphasis should be on regular progressive range training and correct application of le Participants, instructors and assessors should take note of the conditions as laid down in the Award Handbook.

Recommended standards of efficiency:

	6 yards	10 metres
For beginners	200	200
For those with some knowledge	220	220
For the more advanced	240	240

Sets of 6 targets should be issued by the Examining Officer, to be fired within 2 hours. The NSRA conditions (NZ equivalent) for 6 yards and 10 metres competitions would apply.

Skill Section

For beginners:

Award participants should:

- 1 Know the general safety rules and procedure when firing is in progress.
- 2 Undertake regular range practice.
- 3 Carry out shooting on 6 yards and/or 10 metre Air Pistol targets - scores as suggested above.
- 4 Know
 - a) How to clean, oil and maintain a target air pistol.
 - b) How to zero an air pistol.
 - c) Correct procedure for aiming, stance and grip.

For those with some knowledge:

A participant must have a thorough knowledge of the 1 - 4 points outlined "For beginners", and in addition must:

- 1 Know the principal parts of an air pistol and its operation.
- 2 Know the method of scoring in air pistol shooting.

For the more advanced:

A participant must have a thorough knowledge of the points outlined above, and in addition should:

- 1 Know the general rules of:
 - a) Scoring
 - b) Gauging
 - c) Rules applicable in competition shooting.
- 2 Be capable of organising air pistol competitions.