



S.S.A.A. (Qld.) Inc.

LEVER ACTION HAND BOOK



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Rules for SSAA (QLD.) Inc. Lever Action Competitions

(Suitable for both Centrefire and Rimfire Rifles)

The following Handbook has been formulated by the Queensland Lever Action Sub-Committee headed by the Queensland Lever Action Discipline Chairman.

The said Sub-Committee shall be responsible for liaison between Branches involved in Lever Action shooting and the development and overseeing of all matches involving Region, State and National Championships shot under State or National Rules.

In these matches the Host Captain and Branch are accountable to the Queensland Lever Action Discipline Chairman for the venue and organisational details and the proper conduct of competitive Lever Action shooting.

All disputes or inquiries arising within the precincts of the State of Queensland involving Lever Action shooting should be brought to the attention of the current Queensland Lever Action Discipline Chairman.

In all circumstances not covered by this hand book, refer to the S.S.A.A. Lever Action Official National Rules and the S.S.A.A. Standard Rules

SECTION 1: QUEENSLAND LEVER ACTION CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 1.1 Queensland Lever Action Championships shall be held on an annual basis.
- 1.2 The Championships are to be hosted on a regional rotational basis.
- 1.3 Host Branches shall ensure that competitors at Championships are afforded reasonable access to the range, targets and facilities for practice purposes on the day(s) prior to those State Championships.
- 1.4 Each Queensland Lever Action Championship shall consist of the following matches:-
 - 1.4.1 Open Lever Action Match.
 - 1.4.2 Classic Calibre Lever Action Match.
- 1.5 The payment of an entry fee for any match will entitle the competitor to have their score for that match considered for all grades and categories that the competitor may be eligible to enter. Junior competitors are to be charged no more than half of the adult nomination fee for each match being contested.

- 1.6 The Queensland Lever Action Champions will be known as follows:-
 - 1.6.1 Queensland Open Lever Action Champion
 - 1.6.2 Queensland Classic Calibre Lever Action Champion
 - 1.6.3 Queensland Lever Action Two Gun Champion
- 1.7 Queensland State Lever Action Championships medals will be awarded as follows:-
 - 1.7.1 At the Queensland Open Lever Action Championships, medals will be awarded as follows:- a gold medal for 1st place ; a Silver medal for 2nd place; a bronze medal for 3rd place, in each of these grades and categories, AAA Grade; AA Grade; A Grade; B Grade; C Grade; Juniors (< 15); Juniors (15 >); Overall.
 - 1.7.2 At the Queensland Classic Calibre Lever Action Championships, medals will be awarded as follows:- a gold medal for 1st place ; a Silver medal for 2nd place; a bronze medal for 3rd place, in each of these grades and categories, AAA Grade; AA Grade; A Grade; B Grade; C Grade; Juniors (< 15); Juniors (15 >); Overall.
- 1.8 Course of fire for the **Open Lever Action Match** shall be 40 rounds as follows:-
 - 1.8.1 5 shots in Any Field Position at 100 metres in 5 minutes on a 50 metre Slow Fire Pistol target (National Proficiency Award target - 13M).
 - 1.8.2 5 shots in Any Field Position at 100 metres in 5 minutes on a 50 metre Slow Fire Pistol target (State Proficiency Award target - 13M).
 - 1.8.3 5 shots in a Standing Unsupported position at 50 metres in 5 minutes on a 50 metre Slow Fire Pistol target (National Proficiency Award target - 13M - scores of 7 to 10 only to count or 14N, the centre of 13M).
 - 1.8.4 5 shots in a Standing Unsupported position at 50 metres in 5 minutes on the Official Centrefire target (State Proficiency Award target - T2).
 - 1.8.5 5 shots each on four (4) additional contour (animal) targets. One of these must be a target shot in a Standing Unsupported position in 10 seconds. The remaining three (3) targets to be a maximum of 5 minutes each. The distance and choice of targets is up to the Host Branch and must be nominated at least three (3) months in advance.

- 1.9 Course of fire for the **Classic Calibre Lever Action Match** shall be 40 rounds as follows:-
 - 1.9.1 5 shots Any Field Position at 100 metres in 5 minutes on a Small Bear target (National Proficiency Award target - LA2).
 - 1.9.2 5 shots in Any Field Position at 100 metres in 5 minutes on a Slow Fire Pistol target (State Proficiency Award target - 13M)
 - 1.9.3 5 shots in a Standing Unsupported position at 50 metres in 5 minutes on a Fox Head target (National Proficiency Award target - LA3)
 - 1.9.4 5 shots in a Standing Unsupported position at 50 metres in 5 minutes on an Official Centrefire target (State Proficiency Award target - T2)
 - 1.9.5 5 shots each on four (4) additional contour (animal) targets. One of these must be a target shot in a Standing Unsupported position in 15 seconds. The remaining three (3) targets to be a maximum of 5 minutes each. The distance and choice of targets is up to the Host Branch and must be nominated at least three (3) months in advance.

SECTION 2: POSTAL COMPETITIONS

- 2.1 Queensland
 - 2.1.1 The Queensland Open Lever Action Postal Shoot shall be conducted each year between 1 February and 31 July, for individual competitors only, and results are to be forwarded to the Queensland Lever Action Discipline Chairman by the requested date.
- 2.2 National
 - 2.2.1 National Classic Calibre Lever Action Postal Shoot.
 - 2.2.2 International Open Lever Action Postal Shoot.
 - 2.2.3 National Open Lever Action Postal Shoot.

Refer to National Lever Action Rule Book for further details of requirements.

SECTION 3: QUEENSLAND LEVER ACTION PROFICIENCY MEDAL WARDS

Queensland proficiency medal awards can be earned in either the Open match or the Classic Calibre match. Refer to sections 1.8 & 1.9 above, for which target's aggregate scores are utilised in assessing qualification. (National awards are also available). For either Open or Classic Calibre:-

- 3.1 An aggregate score of 75 plus, qualify for a Bronze Proficiency Medal Award.
- 3.2 An aggregate score of 85 plus qualify for a Silver Proficiency Medal ward.
- 3.3 An aggregate score of 95 plus qualify for a Gold Proficiency Medal Award.
- 3.4 A possible score of 100 will qualify for a Diamond Proficiency Medal Award.
- 3.5 A shooter may only qualify for a silver award if they have previously shot a bronze award; a gold award if they have previously shot a silver award; and a diamond award if they have previously shot a gold award.
- 3.6 A shooter may only qualify for each Proficiency Award once.
- 3.7 For every match it will be the responsibility of each Branch, to examine targets and scores then to apply on the approved form, for the issue of the appropriate Queensland Lever Action Proficiency Medal Awards from the State Lever Action Awards Secretary.
- 3.8 For every match it will be the responsibility of each Branch to examine targets and scores then to apply on the approved form, for the issue of the appropriate National Lever Action Proficiency Medal Awards from the National Lever Action Awards Secretary.
- 3.9 It is further the responsibility of each Branch to select an Official Scorer for the purposes.

SECTION 4: TIE BREAKING

In the event that scores are tied, the competitor with the highest number of X rings shall be judged the winner. Failing this, then the highest number of tens. In the event that the scores are still tied, final positions will be decided as follows:-

- 1. National Medal score and if the tie still remains
- 2. State Medal score and if the tie still remains
- 3. Individual targets in the order they were contested.

SECTION 5: QUEENSLAND TEAM SELECTION

The criteria for selection in the Queensland Team are as follows:-

1. Team members must be financial members of a SSAA Queensland Branch.
2. Team members must be attending the National Lever Action Championships.
3. Team members must have competed in the Queensland Lever Action Championships.
4. Team members will be the highest placed competitors in the Queensland Lever Action Two Gun Championship. (Due to the timeframe to have State Teams approved and the short time between the Queensland Championships and the National Championships, the previous year's results will apply).

SECTION 6: DISCIPLINE CHAIRMAN'S AUTHORITY

In addition to the authority provided under the SSAA Standard Rules, the Queensland Discipline Chairman shall have the discretionary power to dispense with the use of stationary backers at State Championships in exigent circumstances.