



Modified Length Courses 2026

Special Rule, Applicable to Modified Length Courses.

This rule should be read in conjunction with, and as an exception to BFTA MAIN SHOOT RULES, **Rule 7 - MAIN EVENT TARGETS.**

Some Clubs have difficulty in setting out standard length courses due to restrictions caused by the size and topographical situation of their shooting ground. In the past this may have led to the club feeling unable to submit scores for BFTA Grading purposes.

For this reason, it was agreed at the January 26th 2008 EGM to permit changes/modification to the BFTA Shoot Rules (in particular Rule 7 - MAIN EVENT TARGETS) to allow a course to be set that will enable the scores to be submitted for National Grading.

These rules shall only apply under the following circumstances:

- a. The Region agrees that the ground cannot provide a Standard Size course.
- b. The modified length course may not be used for National competitions such as a round of the Grand Prix Series.

The scores obtained when a course has been constructed to the following modified rules shall be valid for inclusion in the BFTA Grading system.

Below is the Modified Rule 7 - MAIN EVENT TARGETS to be used when a. and b. above apply, and to be read in conjunction with the BFTA MAIN SHOOT RULES.

Rule 7 - MAIN EVENT TARGETS for use with MODIFIED LENGTH COURSES only

Fall when hit targets shall be used. All targets shall be clearly and consecutively numbered both at the target and the firing line. The hit zones shall be circular and of a contrasting colour to the faceplate. Course builders should allow for competitors who are affected by colour blindness.

Targets are to have:

- Yellow faceplates with black hit-zones, or
- Black faceplates with yellow hit-zones, or
- White faceplates with black hit-zones, or
- Black faceplates with white hit-zones, or
- Blue faceplates with white hit-zones

The use of simulated hit zones on any other part of the faceplate is prohibited. Standard hit zones shall be between 40 and 45 mm in diameter. The course may contain targets with reduced diameter hit zones provided that they do not exceed 50% of the total number of targets in the course.

The following limitations shall apply to 'reduced hit zone' targets...

- a. Hit zones diameters may be 25 mm and 15mm on a modified length course.

Where both sizes are utilised, the maximum number of 15mm hit zones shall not exceed 50% of the total number of reduced hit zones.

- b. The furthest target shall be no more than 35 yds from the firing line.

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