

FITASC

Introduction

FITASC is an acronym standing for the French words: Fédération Internationale de Tir aux Armes Sportives de Chasse. It is a type of shotgun sport shooting similar to sporting clays, trap and skeet. RBGC Layout is three stands (known as pegs) per 25 bird layout and each stand has its own menu of traps from the 12 available machines. Stand one and three use 4 traps and will each show four singles and two pairs, peg 2 has five traps and will present five singles and two pairs to make up the 25 bird round. You'll find a menu with the order of targets displayed at each stand.

Matches at RBGC

Monthly FITASC match is usually the 1st Saturday of the month and consists of 100 Targets 50 FITASC targets and 50 targets on the Blue Sporting Clays Course. Registration begins at 9:30 am and the match starts at 10:00 am. Cash Prize for HOA in the match and shooter of the year competition - match dates and results on the club website rbgc.org

Procedures

Participants will be assigned to a squad of shooters and each squad will shoot on the course travelling from peg to peg together as a squad. Shooters will rotate the shooting order taking turns on first shooter for singles and doubles at each station. Each group will get one set of show birds for singles and any true pairs at that station

- You must never pre-mount the gun, anywhere or at any time, on the shooting ground.
- You must stand in the shooter box circle to shoot.
- Your ready position must be with the heel of the stock touching the body not less than 25cm from the top of the shoulders.
- You cannot mount the gun until the target is visible.
- The release of the clay can be delayed for up to three seconds after the shooter calls for it.
- ALWAYS pick up your cartridge cases and put them in the bin provided.

All shooters are asked to pick up their spent hulls and discard them in the provided containers.

Equipment

The RBGC FITASC match is generally shot with a 12 gauge shotgun. Other gauge shotguns may be used but are a slight handicap because of fewer pellets in the shot load. The shotguns used are most often an over/under double barrel shotgun or an autoloader. Pump action shotguns create a handicap in shooting doubles targets. In addition to a shotgun, a shell pouch or vest is needed to keep shells at hand and keep the flow of the match moving smoothly. Safety glasses and hearing protection are required for

everyone on the field. FITASC is shot with lead target ammo with a shot size between 7 1/2 and 9. Ammunition is allowed a maximum of 1 oz. shot load with a maximum velocity of 1325 ft./s.

Getting Started

It is easy to begin FITASC with a sporting shotgun that is capable of two shots. New shooters will find that the established shooters are very helpful to explain the procedure and assist in getting into the game. Come watch a match to observe the process and talk to the shooters. For more information contact shotgun_hill_shotgunmanager@rbgc.org