

## **Skeet Shooting**

### Introduction

Skeet shooting is a recreational and competitive activity where participants, using shotguns, attempt to break clay targets mechanically thrown into the air from two fixed stations at high speed from a variety of angles. While trap targets are rising and going away at different angles, Skeet has a variety of angles on the targets creating crossing targets traveling incoming and away as well as double targets in some of the shooting stations

### Matches at RBGC

Monthly Skeet Match is usually the 4th Sunday of the month and consists of 100 Targets shot in 4 rounds of 25 targets each round. Registration begins at 1:30 pm and the match starts at 2:00 pm. Cash Prize for HOA in the match and shooter of the year competition - match dates and results on the club website [rbgc.org](http://rbgc.org)

### Procedures

Participants will be assigned to a squad of shooters and each squad will shoot 25 target rounds in turn. Shooters will shoot from 8 stations on the field taking turns in rotation on each station. The range will be called "cold" and the next squad will organize and continue until all squads fire 100 targets. The combined scores of four 25-target rounds will be used to determine the High Overall (HOA) winner of the match. All shooters are asked to pick up their spent hulls and discard them in the provided containers.

### Equipment

The RBGC Skeet match is generally shot with a 12 gauge shotgun equipped with skeet or cylinder choke. Other gauge shotguns may be used but are a slight handicap because of fewer pellets in the shot load. The shotgun types most often used are an auto loader or an over/under double barrel shotgun. 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. Skeet is shot with lead target ammo with a shot size between 7 1/2 and 9. Ammunition is allowed a maximum of 1-1/8 oz. shot load with a maximum velocity of 1325 ft./s.

### Getting Started

It is easy to begin shooting skeet 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](mailto:shotgun_hill_shotgunmanager@rbgc.org)