

NORTHWEST SKIRMISH ASSOCIATION (NORTHWEST TERRITORY) RULES AND PROCEDURES

SECTION 1 - REGIONAL SKIRMISHES

1.1 DEFINITION OF SKIRMISH

The target competition sponsored and conducted by the Northwest Skirmish Association (Northwest Territory) shall be called a Regional Skirmish. The governing rules of the NWT shall be those of the North-South Skirmish Association, Inc. (Reference: N-SSA By-Laws Article VIII, Section 1.) and shall apply to both NWT Assigned Regionals and NWT Voluntary Regionals.

1.1.1 NWT ASSIGNED REGIONAL

An NWT Assigned Regional is defined as a skirmish that is conducted by one or more NWT units that have been specifically assigned on a rotational basis to host a skirmish. The Regional Commander will determine skirmish dates and assign host unit(s) for NWT Assigned Regionals. The NWT will finance skirmish costs, and all proceeds will be returned to the Regional Treasury.

1.1.2 NWT VOLUNTARY REGIONAL

An NWT Voluntary Regional is defined as a skirmish that is conducted by one or more NWT units that volunteer to host a skirmish. The Regional Commander will determine skirmish dates and approve host unit(s) for NWT Voluntary Regionals. The host unit(s) will finance skirmish costs and will retain all proceeds from the skirmish.

1.2 HOSTING SKIRMISHES

Regional Skirmishes will be sponsored and conducted by member organizations of the Northwest Territory.

1.2.1 PARTICIPATION OF HOST UNIT(S)

Companies of host organizations may compete in company matches of Regional Skirmishes under the following conditions:

- a. Two relays are used.
- b. No more than six (6) companies are shooting in any one relay.
- c. Members of non-shooting relays serve as safety officers and line judges.
- d. The Skirmish Director and Statistics Officer shall not compete.
- e. Approval of the Regional Commander is required.

1.2.2 REQUEST TO HOST REGIONAL SKIRMISH

Requests to host Regional Skirmishes should be forwarded to the Regional Commander on the proper application form (available on the NWT web site) for approval. Applications to host should be submitted by the Fall Regional Meeting that precedes the proposed

skirmish date. A tentative skirmish schedule for the upcoming year will be established by the October Commanders' Meeting and will be verified and approved at the Commanders' Meeting that takes place the following March.

1.2.3 SKIRMISH DIRECTOR

The host organization(s) shall select a Skirmish Director from its/their members. The Skirmish Director will organize and conduct the skirmish, appointing individuals from the host unit(s) to his/her staff as deemed necessary and appropriate.

1.2.4 LATE FEE

At the Skirmish Director's option, a late fee of \$10.00 per unit may be charged to units registering after the due date that is stated on the skirmish invitation.

1.2.5 MEMBERS ONLY NOTICE

At all Regional Skirmishes, an "N-SSA Members Only" notice is to be posted at both the entrance to the firing line and the place of registration for individual targets. N-SSA membership is to be verified; new members must present vouchers issued by their Regional Commander until their official N-SSA membership card is issued.

1.2.6 PARTICIPATION OF NON-MEMBERS

At Regional Skirmishes only, non-member guests of the Association may be allowed to fire official targets, using N-SSA approved arms only, under the supervision of a regional officer and a sponsoring member in good standing. A target fired by the guest shall not be scored by skirmish staff and shall not be eligible for awards. A guest may fire no more than one relay in each class of individual competition: musket, carbine, revolver, breechloader and smoothbore, and may not participate in artillery competition or company matches. The decision to allow non-member participation and to charge or not charge a fee for guest targets shall be made by the Regional Commander and skirmish staff. (Reference: N-SSA Rule 19.2.2).

1.3 VOTES PERTAINING TO SKIRMISHES

If the Skirmish Director and the Regional Commander determine that an issue pertinent to a Regional Skirmish requires approval from the general membership, each unit present shall have one vote on the issue (Reference: NWT By-Laws, Article VI, Section 5).

1.4 SQUADDING FOR COMPANY MATCHES

1.4.1 MUSKET

The top five (5) "Class A-1" companies in NWT regional standings will be squadded adjacent to each other as close to the center of the firing line as possible and in the first relay of all Regional Skirmishes. For the first skirmish of the year, the standings from

the previous year will be used.

1.4.2 CARBINE

The top five (5) "Class A-1" companies in NWT regional standings will be squadded adjacent to each other as close to the center of the firing line as possible and in the first relay of all Regional Skirmishes. For the first skirmish of the year, the standings from the previous year will be used.

1.5 NUMBER OF REGIONAL SKIRMISHES

A minimum of two (2) and a maximum of three (3) Assigned Regional Skirmishes will be held each year. The total number of Regional Skirmishes (Assigned and Voluntary) will not exceed six (6).

1.5.1 EXEMPT YEAR

Any organization hosting a Voluntary Regional Skirmish shall be exempt from hosting an Assigned Regional Skirmish in the same year.

1.5.2 BYE YEAR

Any organization hosting a Voluntary Regional Skirmish for five (5) consecutive years may take a year off, will be exempt from the rotation of hosting an Assigned Regional Skirmish in that same year, and will go to the bottom of the rotation for hosting an Assigned Regional in the following year.

1.5.3 ROTATION

Any non-assigned unit that volunteers to host a Regional Skirmish will go to the bottom of the rotation for hosting an Assigned Skirmish in that year.

1.6 UNIFORMS

1.6.1 PARTICIPANTS

All participants in any skirmish activity will be required to wear N-SSA approved uniforms. Coats may be removed at the discretion of the Company Commander.

1.6.2 HOST TEAMS

NWT host teams have the option of wearing non-uniform clothing during a skirmish weekend, provided that host units use some type of identifying cap, armband, or shirt. It is expected that Skirmish Directors would use good judgment as to what is "proper attire."

1.7 PROGRAM CHAIRMAN

The Regional Deputy Commander shall act as Program Chairman to facilitate the Assigned Regional Skirmishes and will for those skirmishes:

- A. Order medals.
- B. Work with the Skirmish Director and skirmish staff to organize the skirmish.

- C. Inform the skirmish staff of regional materials available and sources for materials.
- D. Review the income and expenses from the skirmishes and adjust the program if necessary, or provide recommendations to the Region at the Fall Regional Meeting.

1.8 EVENTS AND TARGETS

Events and targets for Regional Skirmishes must conform to the North-South Skirmish Association Rules (Reference: N-SSA Rules 4.2 & 5.4).

The minimum proportion of total events to official events required is as follows (Reference: N-SSA Skirmish Rules, Section 4.2):

<u>Total Events</u>	<u>Number of Official Events Required</u>
3.2
4.3
5.3
6.4
7.4
8.5
9.5

With the exception of the stake event, all other targeting will count toward both the skirmish standing and year-end season totals. The stake event will count toward the skirmish standing only, not the year-end season totals.

The musket stake width will be a minimum of 6".
 The carbine stake width will be a minimum of 4".

1.9 START TIMES

- 1.9.1 **COMMANDERS' MEETING - MUSKET MATCHES**
 The Commanders' Meeting for musket company matches will start at 8:30 AM.
- 1.9.2 **COMMANDERS' MEETINGS - ADDITIONAL MATCHES**
 All Assigned Regionals will hold carbine and smoothbore Commanders' meetings at 11:30am. Carbine matches will start at 12:00 noon local time. Host teams will try to schedule Commanders' meetings for all other company matches as close to a particular match as possible.

1.10 CLASSIFICATIONS

- 1.10.1 **MUSKET TEAMS**
 - 1.10.1.1 Classifications for musket will be composed of the top 50% in Class A-1 and the remaining 50% in Class A-2. All "B" companies and subsequent companies will be placed in Class B.
 - 1.10.1.2 All "A" companies are classified by their previous year's shooting ability. Their ability is determined by averaging the previous year's shooting times. Host team times and penalties for not showing are not to be considered.

- 1.10.1.3 All "B" companies and subsequent companies will be placed in Class B.
- 1.10.1.4 The Class A-1 companies will be composed of the top 33% of the companies as calculated by paragraph 1.10.1.2. Class A-2 companies will be composed of the next 33%. The remainder of the companies will be classified as Class A-3.
 - 1.10.1.4.1 A unit can request that it be placed in a higher class before the first regional.
 - 1.10.1.4.2 "A" companies from out of the region will be classified by their national classification. Probationary units will be placed in Class A-1.
 - 1.10.1.4.3 Teams will be notified of their classification by or at the spring Regional Commanders' Meeting. The teams will remain in the same classification for the entire skirmish year and are not eligible to earn medals in a higher classification.
- 1.10.2 CARBINE TEAMS
Classifications for carbine will be composed of the top 50% in Class A-1 and the remaining 50% in Class A-2. All "B" companies and subsequent companies will be placed in Class B.
- 1.10.3 REVOLVER TEAMS
There are at this time no classifications for revolver teams.
- 1.10.4 BREECHLOADER TEAMS
There are at this time no classifications for breechloader teams.
- 1.10.5 SMOOTHBORE TEAMS
Classifications for smoothbore will be composed of the top 50% in Class A-1 and the remaining 50% in Class A-2. All "B" companies and subsequent companies will be placed in Class B.
- 1.10.6 INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATIONS
 - 1.10.6.1 ASSIGNED REGIONALS
For musket, carbine and smoothbore, participants will compete in one of two classes based on their most recent national classification. Class 1 will be comprised of Expert/Sharpshooter; Class 2 will be comprised of Marksman/Striker.
 - 1.10.6.2 VOLUNTARY REGIONALS
Teams hosting Voluntary Regional skirmishes may define individual classifications as they choose.

1.11 AWARDS

All medals shall denote the year, event, placing and class (where appropriate). Awards other than medals may be awarded if prior

approval is obtained from the Regional Board. The application must state clearly for each event what the award is to be. Any medals that are not claimed by the end of the skirmish will automatically be returned to the region.

1.11.1 MUSKET TEAM AWARDS (ASSIGNED AND VOLUNTARY REGIONALS)

Musket team awards shall be given out according to the classification system detailed in Section 1.10.1. The number of awards to be presented shall be based on team participation as follows:

Class A teams	three places (1 st place medals, 2 nd and 3 rd place ribbons)
Class B teams	one place (medals)

The rule/procedure for distribution of musket team awards will be reviewed on an annual basis and amended as needed.

1.11.2 CARBINE TEAM AWARDS (ASSIGNED AND VOLUNTARY REGIONALS)

Carbine team awards shall be given out according to the classification system detailed in Section 1.10.2 with the exception of Class B. The number of awards to be presented shall be as follows:

Class A teams	three places (1 st place medals, 2 nd and 3 rd place ribbons)
Class B teams	one place (medals)

1.11.3 REVOLVER/BREECHLOADER/MORTAR/CANNON TEAM AWARDS (ASSIGNED AND VOLUNTARY REGIONALS)

Optional--to be established by the host team.

1.11.3.1 SMOOTHBORE (ASSIGNED AND VOLUNTARY REGIONALS)

The number of awards to be presented shall be based on team participation as follows:

Class A teams	three places
Class B teams	one place

1.11.4 INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

1.11.4.1 ASSIGNED REGIONALS

Awards at Assigned Regionals will be presented as follows:

Musket/Carbine

Two classes: Class 1 (Expert/Sharpshooter)
Class 2 (Marksman/Striker)

Places: Maximum of three places awarded for each individual event (50 and 100 yds) and their respective aggregates in each class. The musket/carbine aggregate and the grand aggregate will be non-classed, and one place will be awarded for each.

Smoothbore/Breechloader

Two classes: Class 1 (Expert/Sharpshooter)
Class 2 (Marksman/Striker)

Places: Minimum of two places awarded for each individual event:
Smoothbore (25 and 50 yds)
Breechloader (50 and 100 yds)
One place awarded for smoothbore and breechloader aggregates.

Revolver

Not classed

Places: Minimum of two places awarded for 25 yd event only
No aggregate awarded for revolver

1.11.4.2 VOLUNTARY REGIONALS
The number of individual awards at Voluntary Regionals will be determined by the host team(s) and will be stated on the skirmish invitation.

Section 2 – ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

2.1 ELIGIBILITY

Only Member Units in good standing in the Northwest Territory Region and the North-South Skirmish Association are eligible to compete for Regional Annual Championships.

2.2 QUALIFYING SKIRMISHES

All NWT Regional Skirmishes for the year (Assigned and Voluntary) will be qualifying skirmishes. These will be announced by the end of the Spring Regional meeting. Any additions after that time will require an approval vote of the Member Units in good standing.

2.3 CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS

The Annual Championships for each small arms categories of team competition will be determined each season on the basis of the results from all Regional Skirmishes, provided that the category of

competition is held at 50% or more of the regional skirmishes. Teams will be classified, when appropriate, according to Section 1.10.

2.3.1 Scoring

Scoring for the championships will be based upon the total elapsed time of each qualifying organization for the season's regional skirmishes, in each category of team competition.

2.3.1.1 Stake Event

The stake event, if included in any skirmish program, will count for the results of the particular skirmish, but will not count for the results of the season championships.

2.3.2 Host Teams

Host teams will be given the same time as that of the highest placing NWT team in their classification, if the category of competition is classified. If the category is unclassified, host teams will receive the same time as the highest placing NWT team in that category.

2.3.3 Team Absence

A unit not competing at a regional skirmish shall be awarded the total elapsed time of the lowest finishing NWT team in their class, if the firearm is classified, at that skirmish, plus the corresponding time penalty from Table 2A.

Table 2A

Firearm Category	Penalty Time
Musket Team	500 Seconds
Carbine Team	250 Seconds
Revolver Team	125 Seconds
Breechloading Rifle/Carbine II Team	125 Seconds
Smoothbore Team	125 Seconds

2.4 AWARDS

Medals will be awarded for each class, if the category is classified, for each Annual Championship according to Table 3B.

Table 2B

Firearm Category	Places Paid
Musket A-1	3
Musket A-2	3
Musket A-3	3
Musket B	1
Carbine A-1	3

Carbine A-2	3
Carbine B	2
Revolver A	1
Revolver B	0
Breechloading Rifle/Carbine II A N/C	1
Breechloading Rifle/Carbine II B	0
Smoothbore A N/C	2
Smoothbore B	0

2.4.1 Trophies
Trophies, in addition to medals, may be awarded for Annual Championships, but are not required. Any additional trophies are listed in Section 3.

2.5 STATISTICAL OFFICER

A Statistical officer will be appointed by the Regional Commander for the purpose of compiling official scores for the Regional Skirmishes.

2.5.1 The Statistical Officer will publish the official times and standing after each Regional Skirmish by making them available to the Regional Public Information Officer and the Webmaster.

2.5.2 The Statistical officer will publish the official times and standings at each Regional Skirmish.

2.5.3 The Statistical Officer will send a copy of the official times and standings after each Regional Skirmish to the Regional Adjutant for inclusion in the historical record of the Region.

2.5.4 The Statistical Officer will determine the final standings for all of the Annual Championships at the end of the last Regional Skirmish of each year.

2.5.5 The Statistical Officer will use the results published under Rules 2.5.4 to determine team classifications for the coming season and shall publish this information on the NWT website and provide a hard copy to each unit Commander at the Fall Regional Meeting.

SECTION 3 - TROPHIES

3.1 GENERAL

This section defines the rotating trophies that have been given to the NWT and recognizes the donors of those trophies.

3.1.1 ELIGIBILITY

Only member teams of the Northwest Territory in good standing are eligible to win the following awards. Additional eligibility rules may apply to certain awards.

3.1.2 CURRENT TROPHIES AND PURPOSE

3.1.2.1 REGIONAL SKIRMISHES

The following trophies are to be awarded as specified at each Regional Skirmish.

NAME OF TROPHY	AWARDED FOR	DONATED BY
Maxcey Gregg*	Musket/Carbine Team Aggregate	1 st South Carolina
Art Tyszka Memorial	Musket Team First Place	6 th Wisconsin
Robert W. Trost Memorial	Carbine Team First Place	111 th Ohio Vol. Inf.
Jeff Davis	Confederate Musket Team First Place	All NWT Confederate Teams
Mike Yeck	Smoothbore Team First Place	Battery C, 1 st Michigan Light Artillery

*Awarded for the shortest combined time for both musket and carbine events.

3.1.2.2 ANNUAL TROPHY

The following trophy is to be awarded annually, during closing ceremonies of the final Regional Skirmish of the season.

NAME OF TROPHY	AWARDED FOR	DONATED BY
John Janick <i>Retired 03/10/19</i>	Musket Team A-2 First Place	24 th Michigan Vol. Inf.

3.1.3 NON-SHOOTING TROPHIES

The following non-shooting trophies are to be awarded annually:

<u>Name of Trophy</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Cpl. Emory "Bud" Bock Memorial Recruiting Award	Honors recruitment efforts

Refer to the page at the end of the ***NWT Rules and Procedures*** document for an explanation of this award.

<u>Name of Trophy</u>	<u>Purpose</u>
Robert "Bob" Scheele Spirit of Skirmishing Award	Honors those who exemplify the "spirit of skirmishing"

Refer to the page at the end of the ***NWT Rules and Procedures*** document for an explanation of this award.

3.2 ENGRAVING

Engraving is the responsibility of the team or individual winning the

trophy. The engraving must be done in a professional manner and is to be compatible with the other engraving on the trophy. If an additional plate must be added, it is also the responsibility of the winning team or individual. The plate must conform in size and type to the existing ones.

3.3 CARE

The winning team or individual is responsible for keeping the trophy in good condition and for transporting it to the skirmish staff when it is time for presentation to a new winner.

3.4 RETIREMENT OF TROPHIES

If a trophy is no longer used or has no room to list additional winners, the trophy will be returned to the donating person/team (if the team is still active). It is recommended that the donating team place retired trophies in the N-SSA museum at Fort Shenandoah.

SECTION 4 – SERVICE AWARDS

4.1 DEFINITION

The Northwest Territory Region shall provide for recognition of individuals who have made significant contribution to the Region. This recognition shall be awarded in three categories as follows:

4.1.1 CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

Awarded for significant contribution beneficial to the Region over a short period of time.

4.1.2 THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Awarded for significant contribution to the Region over an extended period of time.

4.1.3 THE AWARD OF MERIT

Awarded for outstanding service to the Region. This is the Region's highest honor, and standards of excellence are used in selecting the recipients. In addition to service, the following factors are considered in determining winners of this award:

- Sportsmanship
- Moral character
- Leadership
- Offices held

4.2 NOMINATION FOR AWARDS

Nominations for awards can be made by any member organization. The awards committee will then review the nomination and make a recommendation to the Regional Commander. The Regional Officers will approve or disapprove the awards as outlined in the rules.

4.3 AWARDS COMMITTEE

The Awards Committee shall consist of a minimum of three (3) and a

maximum of five (5) members of the Northwest Territory and shall be appointed by the Regional Commander.

4.4 DESIGN OF AWARDS

The design of awards will be determined by the Regional Officers.

4.5 NOMINATION CONTENT

Nominations made to the Awards Committee should include the nominee's name, unit, qualifications, award nominated for and the sponsoring unit's name.

Cpl. Emory 'Bud' Bock Memorial Recruiting Award

The Cpt. Emory 'Bud' Bock Memorial Recruiting Award will be awarded annually to the Northwest Territory Unit with the most returning recruits. The award will be presented during the opening ceremonies of the first Northwest Territory Skirmish of the year.

All information used in determining the recipient of the award will be from the records of the Adjutant of the Northwest Territory.

A recruit is someone who is a first time member of the North-South Skirmish Association.

A returning recruit is a recruit who is a dues paying member on the Unit's roster submitted to the Regional Adjutant by December 1st following the Date of Enlistment.

Date of Enlistment is the date that the Regional Adjutant receives the roster that the recruit first appears on.

In case of a tie in the number of returning recruits, the unit with the returning recruit with the earliest Date of Enlistment will be declared the recipient of the award. If there is a tie with the Date of Enlistment, the award will be presented to all tying units.

Robert “Bob” Scheele Spirit of Skirmishing Award

The Robert “Bob” Scheele Spirit of Skirmishing Award is an annual award that is sponsored by Battery C, 1st Michigan Light Artillery. The award was established in honor of Bob Scheele, whose love for the sport of skirmishing and whose high level of “spirit” in participating was unparalleled.

The purpose of the award is to recognize individuals who, like Bob Scheele, have made contributions to the Northwest Territory and to the sport of skirmishing away from the firing line.

The award is considered a non-shooting award and is given to a person who has gone above and beyond what is expected of a member of the Northwest Territory in regard to the “spirit” in which he/she contributes to skirmishing.

Recipients of the Bob Scheele Spirit of Skirmishing Award are determined by a selection committee that is comprised of former and current members of Battery C, 1st Michigan Light Artillery, plus all previous recipients of the award.

Starting the first of August each year, the selection committee will nominate and begin considering potential candidates of the award for the current skirmish season. Selection of a recipient will be finalized by September 1st each year.

Presentation of the award will be made annually at the last Regional Skirmish of the shooting season

POLICIES

NWT Regional meetings will be held the second Saturday in March and two weeks following the Fall Nationals in October.

All NWT Skirmish applications must be turned in by January 1st of each calendar year. Skirmish Directors will submit an electronic copy to the Regional Commander using the N-SSA form available on line. In addition, a hard paper copy, with a signature, will be submitted to the Regional Commander.

Skirmish Directors will submit their skirmish invitations to the Regional Commander for approval before publishing them on the website or issuing them to NWT units.

Recommended standardized pricing for team events at NWT Assigned Regionals has been established by the Board of Directors as follows:

<u>Team Event</u>	<u>Recommended Standard Price</u>
Musket	\$80 (8-person team)
Musket	\$50 (5-person team)
Carbine	\$50
Smoothbore	\$27
Breechloader	\$40
Revolver	\$40
Artillery (sanctioned event)	\$20
Mortar (sanctioned event)	\$18
Artillery (demonstration)	TBD by host team(s)
Mortar (demonstration)	TBD by host team(s)

Host teams are to consider running the Henry team and smoothbore team matches concurrently before canceling either of them.

Host teams are to leave an area behind the safety line that allows spectators the opportunity to watch the skirmish without their view being obstructed by skirmishers in the ready area, whenever the range facilities permit.

Effective 12 March 2011, NWT Adjutants are to submit team registrations and regional dues, along with two (2) copies of the team roster, to the NWT Paymaster rather than the NWT Adjutant.

During team competition, all members of a unit must remain on the firing line until each individual skirmisher's firearm in that unit has been cleared by the safety. In the event of a fouled firearm, all team members

will leave the line except for the safety and the skirmisher with the fouled firearm. The safety will remain on the line until all team members have been cleared and have left the line.

In an effort to improve clean-up and decrease the potential for wires to cause damage to mowers or other equipment, the number of wires that are distributed to each team at a skirmish will be as follows: 24 wires for a five-person team, and 36 wires for an eight-person team.

If a unit volunteers to host a skirmish and experiences a monetary shortfall due to unforeseen circumstances, upon review by the NWT Board of Directors, money from the NWT range fund may be used to cover the shortfall, ensuring that the voluntary host team does not end up in the red.

Teams are allowed to spray paint targeting to help with contrast against the background on the range. ALL targets for an event must be painted the same color. The NWT will supply the paint.

Host teams will submit a preliminary skirmish invitation along with their application to host an NWT skirmish. Invitations will be finalized and approved no later than 45 days prior to the skirmish. Host teams will use military time on both skirmish applications and invitations to ensure clarity of the skirmish schedule.

Six inch (6") tiles will be used for the 100 yard event at all NWT Assigned Regionals.

The Northwest Territory (NWT) will extend an invitation to members of the American Civil War Shooting Association (ACWSA) to attend all NWT Assigned Regional skirmishes. The Regional skirmish will be conducted under N-SSA rules. Individual and team fees will apply to ACWSA members, and for identification purposes ACWSA members will be required to wear an identification card, provided by the NWT Regional Commander, during the course of the skirmish. Voluntary Regionals will be open to the ACWSA at the discretion of the host team(s).

Starting with the Laingsburg I skirmish in 2017, all NWT Regional Skirmishes will offer individuals on Friday from 1-5pm, as well as Saturday morning. Four people will be required to run the program on Friday afternoon (tower, targets, safety).

All teams hosting a Regional Skirmish are required to inventory materials in the NWT trailer before submitting a request to purchase materials. All purchases must be authorized by either the NWT Regional Commander or Deputy Commander; if they are not, host staff will not be reimbursed for the purchases.

In an effort to reduce the frequency with which a team is required to host a skirmish, the following policy is established on a trial basis:

1. Teams having a membership of ten (10) or more will host the skirmish by themselves.
2. If membership is less than ten (10), then two teams will be assigned to host together unless a particular team feels it is capable of hosting alone.

A minimum of three team events—musket, carbine and smooth bore—will be shot at each Assigned Regional Skirmish. The Skirmish Director of an Assigned Regional may schedule additional team events, pending approval by the NWT Regional Commander.

If a team has one or more extra shooters for a team event and all teams are full, the team will be permitted to add the extra shooter(s) to its lineup for that event and add a prorated number of targets (rounded up). This team will be allowed to compete for awards.

NWT MEDICAL EMERGENCY PROTOCOL POLICY

In the event a medical emergency takes place, the following protocol should be initiated:

1. If Dr. Mandy is present, summon him immediately and direct him to the patient.
2. Evaluate whether an ambulance is required---if so, call 911 or emergency number of the nearest hospital.
3. Make sure the patient is in a safe place and the area is safe for first responders. If not—move the patient immediately to a safe place.
4. If an ambulance has been called, send a designated person to the entrance to direct that ambulance where it is needed.
5. Simultaneously the first aid kit, cardiac board, defibrillator should be brought to the patient.
6. Evaluation of the emergency needs to take place---if the patient is non-responsive the defibrillator should be hooked up and allowed to evaluate the patient and its directions should be followed.
7. CPR should be initiated if necessary. This can be a physically demanding process so more than one person will be required for administration.
8. Misc. items are as follows:
 - a. shade for the patient
 - b. fluids/ice

9. Notify the NWT Board of Directors regarding the medical event.

Host team(s) will be responsible for implementing the emergency protocol at each skirmish. Prior to the skirmish, the Skirmish Director will assign medical emergency tasks (secure safe area, call 911, etc.) to specific persons on the host team(s). The written protocol will be stored in the NWT first aid box. At the beginning of each skirmish, the Skirmish Director will post the written emergency protocol next to the box that houses directions to the nearest hospital. At the end of each skirmish, the written protocol will be returned to the first aid box.

The NWT Skirmish Director will appoint someone from the host team(s) to assist the IG with safety inspections on the firing line.

If a skirmish is cancelled for any reason, the team(s) scheduled to host that skirmish will be rescheduled to host in two (2) years.

Printed labels will no longer be attached to medals. Instead, the printed labels will be placed in the bag with the medals, which will allow the NWT to reuse returned/unwanted medals. This policy change will take effect in 2023.