

ICFRA Under-25 and Under-21 Target Rifle World Championship

Match Conditions

Editors note: Cross references preceded with a 'W' refer to the ICFRA Rules for the management of World Championships.

U1. Preamble

- U1.1. Following a successful trial event at Bisley in 2003, ICFRA Council determined to conduct World Championships for young marksmen. They are designated "Age-Group" Matches in the Match Conditions which follow, which apply equally to any and all such matches conducted at the meeting.
- U1.2. By decision of the World Championship Committee in 2007, the Age-Group Matches will be offered for Under-21 and Under-25 age groups. Matches for Under-19s may be offered in addition or as an alternative to either of the foregoing at host nation discretion, subject to demand and subject to World Championship Committee approval in the case of substitution. Such Matches will be shot under the same rules.

U2. Governance

- U2.1. The governance of these championships is vested in the Council of the International Confederation of Fullbore Rifle Associations (ICFRA), which delegates to its World Championships Committee (WCC - "The Committee") full responsibility for the rules and conduct of these World Championships.
- U2.2. The Referee designated for the Veterans World Championship under Rule V2.2 will act for the Age Group Team Championships also. The Referee designated for the Individual Long Range World Championship will act for the Age-Groups Individual.
- U2.3. Host Nation management and disciplinary procedures will be used in lieu of a Match Committee for the Team Match.
- U2.4. Except as may be laid out in these Match Conditions, ICFRA TR Technical Rules and World Championship Management Rules will apply.

U3. Age-Groups Target Rifle World Team Championships

- U3.1. The team match will only be designated as a World Championship if at least four countries/approved regional groups participate in any specific age-group. A country/grouping may enter more than one team in the same age bracket.
- U3.2. A World Championship team will consist of a maximum of 8 members, consisting of:-
 - U3.2.1. 1 Team Captain,
 - U3.2.2. 5 Shooters,
 - U3.2.3. 1 Reserve,
 - U3.2.4. 1 Coach
- U3.3. It is permissible, by application of rule W8.5 for a Team to consist of 5 members, or any other greater number up to 8.
- U3.4. For the Team Match an accredited 'adult' Manager over the age qualifications may be in attendance. He may provide no advice or assistance on the firing point, but he may represent the team's interests with the Match and Host Nation Officials and at the pre match team captains meeting. He will be eligible for a Team Prize Medal (Rule U9.4).
- U3.5. The course of fire for each shooter, consists of two convertible sighting shots and ten shots to count at each distance 300, 600, 900 and 1000 yards. For metric ranges, the course of fire will be the same, at distances of 300, 600, 800 and 900 metres. A combination of yards/metric distances is permissible if the range layout so dictates. All five shooters will be

squadded to a single target and the team time allowance will be 75 minutes at short range, and 80 minutes at long.

U3.6. The Team Match will take place on the day allocated for the Veterans World Championship event and should follow completion of any domestic International Matches conducted as part of any associated National Prize Meeting. The Matches will be shot 'alongside' the VWC Match under the same timings.

U3.7. The Targets will be the ICFRA International Match Targets for the distances being shot.

U4. Age-Groups Target Rifle World Individual Championships

U4.1. These events will fall within the ambit of the Individual Long World Range Championship (ILRWC). There will not be a separate 'final' for any age-group, however, and placings will be determined on the aggregate of the 9 distances in the event. Ties for First, Second and Third place medals will be shot off.

U4.2. Competitors will enter for, and be squadded within, the ILRWC without distinction and as full competitors therein. A Competitor who is one of the top ten finalists for the ILRWC will shoot for that Championship, but his placing(s) in his Age-Group Championship(s) will be determined as immediately above.

U5. Eligibility

U5.1. A Competitor will be deemed to qualify if his 19th, 21st or 25th birthday (as the case may be) falls after the day of the World Championship Team Match.

U6. Rifles and Equipment

U6.1. Rifles and other equipment must conform to ICFRA TR specifications except that the Championships will be shot with 7.62mm/.308WIN ONLY.

U6.2. All questions of admissibility of rifles or equipment will be dealt with under the equipment control procedures Section W10 of the Rules for Management of World Championships.

U7. Ammunition

U7.1. Any handloaded or factory ammunition as allowed under TR Rules.

U8. Awards - Trophies

U8.1. For each of the Under-25 and Under-21 Team Matches the winning Team will be awarded a Challenge Trophy donated by LVA Corporate Communications Inc.

U8.2. For each of the Individual World Championships the winning shooter will receive a Challenge Trophy also donated by LVA Corporate Communications Inc.

U8.3. These trophies are vested in ICFRA and it is the responsibility of the NRA of the winning Country or Individual to arrange shipment to the subsequent World Championship NRA in good time for the event.

U9. Awards - Medals And Badges

U9.1. The host nation must provide all the under-mentioned awards, but their form and design must either emanate from, or be approved by, the WCC and must include the ICFRA Logo. The host nation may provide additional awards under conditions made known to the Committee in advance of each match as per Rule W6.9

U9.2. Each participant in an Age Groups Team Match will be awarded a commemorative badge or medal of the agreed ICFRA design.

U9.3. For each Age Groups Team Match, medals of the approved design, will be awarded as follows:-

U9.3.1. First place team - Gold,

U9.3.2. Second place team - Silver,

U9.3.3. Third place team - Bronze.

- U9.4. 9 of each medal must be provided, one for each team member. Should a team have less than 9 members (which for this purposes includes the manager), each must receive a medal, but the remaining medals are not to be issued.
- U9.5. First, second and third place awards will be made even if only the minimum number of four teams compete.
- U9.6. For the Individual Match(es), the host nation will provide the following medals, of approved design:-
- U9.6.1. Aggregate prizes: One set of three medals for the aggregate at each of the three distances.
- U9.6.2. Championship prizes: A special gold medal for the Champion, a similar silver medal for the runner-up and a similar bronze medal for third place.

Note: The colour of the medals relates to the colour only and not to their metal content.