GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATION 2017 STATE RIFLE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH PROGRAM

I. The Georgia High School Association (GHSA) Three-Position Air Rifle State Championship will be on April 22, 2017 at the Pool International Shooting Complex 10 Meter Range, Ft. Benning, GA 31905.

II. Match:

A. Entries: The fifteen team winners of the GHSA Semifinal competitions plus two invitational place teams will compete for the state team Championship. IAW the GHSA Constitution and By-Laws, Section 9,C.3, each team may consist of five shooters with the top four count as the team's score. These five athletes also compete for the state individual competition with other GHSA individual competitors with qualifying scores of 290 or better in GHSA competition this school year.

B. Rules: 2016-2018 National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules (11th Edition), 3 x 10 course, and the GHSA Constitution and By-Laws. The athletes firing the highest eight scores qualify for the individual Finals. Finals' scores will determine individual championship standings but have no effect on team standings.

C. Waiver: A waiver and hold harmless agreement (Enclosure 2) must be completed by each parent or guardian. The signatures must be verified by a government or school official or be notarized. This waiver must be completed and turned in at registration. Any competitor without this waiver will not be permitted to compete!!

D. Registration and equipment inspections <u>begin at 1200 through 1600 on Friday April 21, 2017 and</u> <u>continue on Saturday from 8:30 A.M. and end at 09:30 A.M</u>. All competitors must register and they and their equipment must be inspected prior to competition (see paragraph III B. below). Any requests for special physical accommodations under Rule 5.1.4 (Physical Disabilities, Substituting Positions) <u>must be made during registration</u>. Medical documentation is required and each request will be ruled upon individually by the Jury.

E. Friday Equipment Inspection/Practice: The range will be open on Friday afternoon, April 21, 2017 between 1200 through 1600 for team/individual equipment inspection/practice. Teams/Individuals will be inspected one hour prior to their assigned practice relay. Three practice relays will be scheduled. Relay 1 from 1300-1400, Relay 2 from 1400-1500 and Relay 3 from 1500-1600. Please contact John Skinner at jskinner@numail.org to reserve your team/individual practice time.

F. Competition schedule Saturday:

	<u>RELAY 1</u>	<u>RELAY 2</u>
Briefing	0955-1000	1140-1145
Take Your Positions	1000-1005	1145-1150
Preparation/Sighting	1005-1015	1150-1200
Prone	1015-1025	1200-1210
Changeover	1025-1030	1210-1215
Preparation/Sighting	1030-1035	1215-1220
Standing	1035-1050	1220-1235
Changeover	1050-1055	1235-1240
Preparation/Sighting	1055-1100	1240-1245
Kneeling	1000-1110	1245-1255

Finals approximately 30 minutes after 2nd relay

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G. Firing point assignments: Firing points are assigned by drawing of lots. Teams and members are divided between the two relays. All teams will have members in each relay. Team members from the same school will be on adjacent firing points when assigned to the same relay. Individual qualifiers will be distributed between both relays.

H. Scoring: Electronic targets will be used with each shooter having an individual monitor – no scopes permitted (Rule 4.7.3.).

I. We hope that you encourage families, friends and fans to attend and that it will be an exciting atmosphere for participants and spectators. The spectators will be near the competitors and the electronic score boards will create excitement among coaches and spectators. Do not expect to compete in silence. The rules state that spectators are allowed to cheer and also that music and appropriate announcer commentary during competitions is highly encouraged. This is now done at all levels in the shooting sport and should be expected.

III. Equipment:

A. Teams and individuals will provide all shooting equipment including mats and air supply.

B. The equipment inspections will be performed from **1200 until 1600 on Friday April 21, 2017 and 8:30 A.M. until 09:30 A.M. on Saturday April 22, 2017.** All competitors and their equipment must be inspected prior to the competition. Competitors, with their coach if possible, should register and go through the inspection upon arrival. Shooters must be dressed for the competition but should carry their shooting boots. They must have their rifles, slings, gloves, blinders, kneeling rolls, footwear, headgear and any glasses worn in competition with them for the inspection. They should not bring their offhand stand, pellets or mats to registration; mats will be inspected on the line before each relay.

C. Competitors are not to bring their equipment into the range until their assigned relay is called for. Only required equipment may be brought in, bags and cases will be left in a designated adjoining room. Equipment must be removed from the range immediately after each relay.

IV. Awards: Ceremony after finals. One team trophy and five individual medals to the state champion team, to the state runner-up team and to the 3rd place team. Individual gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to the top three individuals. The 2017 Georgia All-State Rifle Team will also be presented by the GeorgiaCarry.Org after the awards ceremony.

John Skinner, Match Director