

2026 BCC Summer League Trapshooting Rules

1. Safe gun handling is required by all shooters while on Club grounds. All guns must be encased or have the action open when not on the firing line.
2. No loading of gun before your turn comes up in line. No more than one shell in gun at a time when on the line. If a shooter has trouble with his/her gun, the shooter must keep the muzzle pointed down range until the jam or problem is resolved.
3. Properly worn eye and ear protection is mandatory for all 17 and under when shooting, coaching or scoring while in or close to shooting area. For all others it is highly recommended. [Added per 2025 BCC Rules & Safety committee update.]
4. League competition is 12 weeks beginning at date set each year. You must shoot 12 times within the set number of weeks.
5. Five people constitute a team. Each team will designate one of their members as team captain. No one will shoot on more than one team. If a shooter shoots for more than one team, that shooter's score will be forfeited for that second, or more team. Each team may have subs.
6. The team captain is responsible for collection of the shooter and sponsor fees to be paid to the league secretary before the 3rd week of shooting.
7. All teams will shoot on a first come first serve basis. You will shoot 2 times on each trap throughout the course of the league.
8. Each team member is to shoot 25 rounds for each league shoot.
9. A team is not allowed to keep their own score.
10. After shooting, each team will make sure the next squad up has a marker before leaving the Club grounds. The team captain is responsible for finding the marker.
11. Any decisions pertaining to trap league rules will be decided by active team captain and league management.
12. No team may shoot more than 3 league rounds in one night. anything over that and the score(s) will not count. The team may re-shoot that round(s) on another Thursday night during league and must pay the cost of the shooting fees.
13. No team may be more than 2 weeks behind or their score will be their average minus 5 birds, per shooter.
14. Shooters may shoot 2 weeks ahead or be 2 weeks behind. Length of season is 12 weeks.
15. Any shooter not completing all 12 weeks of league by the end of the season will have their score calculated as follows: average minus 5 birds. A team must have a minimum of 4 shooters on a league night. [2024 Meeting] We will add the 5th shooters average, minus 5 birds for their team score.
16. A 14-year-old does not need a guardian on the grounds if he/she has their hunter safety certificate.
17. To qualify for high gun, a shooter must shoot all 12 weeks of league.
18. Any ties at the end of the league will be shot off. Any shooter on a shoot-off team must be on that

team's roster prior to the 12th week of league. Individuals will shoot-off for High Gun cash prize only. All names will be listed on the High Gun plaque. Any individual exceptions will be reviewed/approved by league management. [2025 Meeting]

19. All league shooters must be current members of the Berlin Conservation Club or their score will not be recognized and will be recorded as a zero for the week(s) shot.

20. Price for a league round will be determined yearly.

21. A cash award will be given to the High Overall Team, High Women's Team, High Junior Team, High Sub-junior Team, High Veterans Team. There must be a minimum of 3 teams per class. [2024 Meeting] All team members including subs must be in the same class for High Team Class Awards [i.e. Lady, Sub-junior, Junior, Veteran]. There will be no handicap. [2022 Meeting]

22. If a team does not turn in a score sheet on any specific night, that team will receive a score of zero for that week(s).

23. No practice shooting will be allowed before team shooting.

24. Use of black ringed targets requests and approved. [2013 meeting] *Notice: BCC ordered all orange targets in 2026.*

25. For teams shooting 2 or 3 times in one night; if the team signs up for the second and third rounds right away and all traps are full, it will be approximately 12 squads apart for each round.

26. Classifications used for Thursday Night League will consist of: Veterans Class (65 years and up), Adult Class (18 years to 64 years), Junior Class (14 years to 17 years), and Sub-Junior Class (10 years to 13 years) for both male and female shooters. A minimum of five shooters must shoot in each class before money will be awarded. It is the shooter's responsibility to state what class they will be in. Cash awards will be given to the top shooters in each class.

27. No team may win more than one award.

28. Yelling, cheering, and jumping around on the firing line is not permitted at any time.

29. People that are not shooting other than the team on deck, or the person marking, are not allowed beyond the fence during shooting times. No one may "coach" a shooter on the line at any time.

30. For the final night designated as Week 12, any team that needs to shoot out should be signed up by 7:00 p.m. to allow time to set categories and figure standings to notify teams about ties and shoot offs.

31. Annie Oakley Shooters – anyone can shoot and attempt to qualify for Super Annie Oakley, but the shooter must be a current member of the Berlin Conservation Club. The shooter does not need to be a current Thursday Night League shooter or sub.

32. No alcohol or food on or beyond the fence.

33. All shells, factory or reloads must conform to the ATA Rules. [2020 Meeting]

Note: No changes for 2024 per Annual League Meeting on 09/07/23.

Updated Rule 14 & Rule 20 for 2025 per Annual League Meeting on 08/29/24.

Updated Rule 18 [High Gun will shoot off for prize \$ only] Rule 26 [no team plaques will be given out] per Annual League Meeting on 08/21/25.