



Scottish Target Shooting

The governing body for all forms of target shooting in Scotland

Snapshot: July 2022

The monthly **eNewsletter** from STS

Shooting News

HSE Consultation on Lead Shot in Ammunition – Further Call For Evidence

On 6 May, the [Health and Safety Executive \(HSE\)](#) published its findings on the risks posed by the outdoor recreational use of lead ammunition for people, wildlife and the environment in England, Wales and Scotland.

Based on these findings the HSE has launched a [six-month consultation](#) on the following proposals for England, Wales and Scotland:

- ban on the sale of lead shot;
- ban on the use of all types of lead ammunition for live quarry shooting including lead shot, shotgun slugs, lead bullets and airgun pellets;
- ban on the use of lead shot for outdoor target shooting with possible exemptions for licensed athletes at licensed ranges with appropriate environmental protection measures;
- ban on the use of lead bullets for outdoor target shooting with possible exemptions for shooting at licensed ranges with appropriate environmental protection measures; and
- mandatory labelling of the packaging of lead ammunition regarding the hazards and risks of lead.

Proposed transition periods for the above restrictions to take effect would vary from 18 months to five years. Buy-back schemes for lead shot cartridges and rifle ammunition have been proposed. This largely mirrors the [lead ammunition restrictions proposed in the European Union last year as part of the EU REACH process](#).

Why is this happening?

The proposals and consultation are taking place under the UK's post-Brexit chemical regulations referred to as UK REACH which covers England, Wales and Scotland (but not Northern Ireland due to the NI Protocol).

The HSE has been tasked as the 'agency' under [UK REACH](#) to produce a report that outlines the risks posed by lead ammunition. Where it believes those risks to be unacceptable, it has also been asked to propose restrictions to reduce those risks.

Under UK REACH a [two-year lead ammunition review launched in March 2021](#) and this was followed by a call for evidence from [August to October 2021](#).

What is STS doing?

We have requested a meeting of the Scottish Firearms Licensing Practitioners Group to discuss this topic and prepare common themes that we can all use in our responses. STS will then prepare our own response which we will share with members, along with a template to help members to respond to the consultation directly themselves.

There is now a further call for evidence that will run until 6 November 2022.

Keith White Wins Gold at WSPS Grand Prix in Hillsdale, USA

With the continued development of Para Trap, USA Shooting stepped up to the mark and hosted the USA's inaugural WSPS Para Trap event at Hillsdale. The Grand Prix took place in early May 2022, at the John Anthony Halter Shooting Sports Education Centre at Hillsdale College, Michigan. Shooters from around the world travelled to the event, and Scotland was represented by Keith White.

Conditions were excellent and the competition was hard fought, but Keith managed to come through, shooting a personal best of 40 ex50 in the final to take the Gold Medal position for Scotland.

This is a busy year for Scotland's Para Trap Shooters, as both Keith and Mike Drever from the STS Performance programme have been selected to shoot for Great Britain at the WSPS World Cups in Chateauroux, France (June) and Munich, Germany (July), and we wish them both every success. We also wish our third Para Trap athlete on the STS Performance Programme, Allan Ritchie, all the best as looks to find his form this summer getting back into shooting after a number of injury and surgery set backs.

To see the full report and pictures, visit the [article on the STS website](#).

BSSRA Schools National Match (Postal) 2022 Results

The same conditions as last year were followed in that there was no fixed match period. The stickers were sent to the country organisers in January and the teams could start shooting as soon as the stickers had been distributed after selection. The closing date was 23rd May.

In the end England won the match quite comfortably but with the lowest winning total since 2014.

Wales found a complete team this time and finished second, beating Scotland into third place by seven points.

The Channel Islands were only a point behind in fourth, beating their last score (in 2020) by 23 points.

England's B team would have been second in the A teams match, once again demonstrating their considerable strength in depth.

Unfortunately, local conditions in Northern Ireland prevented them from competing again.

All the A teams exceeded 1900 points, something not seen since 2008.

There were four 'possibles' shot this year. These were achieved by W Bacon and L Horsman Carpenter of England A, Miss H Grindon of England B and O Hughes of Wales. Congratulations to them all.

To see the scores, visit the [article on the STS website](#). (Report by W Hamilton)

STS Events

STS Confirmed Events for 2022

STS is pleased to announce the following competitions and events have been confirmed for the coming months:

- **9-10 July 2022 - 50m Scottish Rifle Championships (Denwood)**
- **16 July 2022 - Colmsliehill GP3 (JSPC)**
- **6 August 2022 - Colmsliehill GP4 (JSPC)**
- **27 August 2022 - 50m 3P GP4 (Denwood)**
- **28 August 2022 - 50m Prone GP2 (Denwood)**
- **3 September 2022 - Colmsliehill GP5 (JSPC)**
- **3 September 2022 - 50m 3P GP5 (Denwood)**
- **4 September 2022 - 50m Prone GP5 (Denwood)**

[You can enter the majority of STS events online through our online booking system here.](#)

The STS Events committee continues to meet regularly to review the events programme and is currently finalising entry details for these events.

STS Event Results in 2022

Please see below links to the results (and, where available, reports) from our most recent events:

- **8 January 2022 - [10m Air Rifle GP 4](#)**
- **9 January 2022 - [10m Air Pistol GP 4](#)**
- **12 February 2022 - [10m Air Rifle GP 5](#)**
- **13 February 2022 - [10m Air Pistol GP 5](#)**
- **12-13 March 2022 - [Scottish 10m Air Championships 2022](#)**
- **30 April 2022 - [50m 3P GP1 \(Denwood\)](#)**
- **1 May 2022 - [50m Prone GP1 \(Denwood\)](#)**
- **7 May 2022 - [Colmsliehill GP1 \(JSPC\)](#)**
- **28 May 2022 - [50m 3P GP2 \(Denwood\)](#)**
- **29 May 2022 - [50m Prone GP2 \(Denwood\)](#)**
- **4 June 2022 - [Colmsliehill GP2 \(JSPC\)](#)**
- **17-19 June 2022 - Scottish Fullbore Open Championships (Blair Atholl)**
- **18 June 2022 - [50m 3P GP3 \(Denwood\)](#)**
- **18 June 2022 - [50m Pistol Championships](#)**
- **25-26 June 2022 - Scottish Fullbore Long Range Championships (Blair Atholl)**

For any errors in the reports or questions about our events, please contact events@scottishtargetshooting.co.uk

Event Opt-Ins

If you want to receive news about any of our shooting events, make sure you **update the opt-in section of your profile** in our membership system with a tick next to each discipline you want us to contact you about.

Find Out More About STS

STS Vacancies

STS currently has the following vacancies:

- [Business Vice Chair](#) - closing date 31 August 2022
- [Field Target Airgun AMG Chair](#) - closing date 31 August 2022

Information about the role, who to speak to for more information and how to apply can all be found using the links above. To see all our vacancies, please visit our [vacancies page on the STS website](#).

STS Members Insurance Microsite

STS has been working with our insurance broker, **Bluefin Sport**, to create the [STS Insurance Microsite provided by Bluefin Sport](#). The microsite looks to cover (please note that this microsite is operated by Bluefin Sport):

- Main insurance queries
- Copies of all policies (except for the Club Plus insurance letter)
- Details on cover for COVID-19
- Information on how to extend the cover for your club
- Contacts for making a claim

Contact STS

Facebook: [Scottish Target Shooting](#) | Twitter: [@ScotTargetShoot](#) | Website: [www.scottishtargetshooting.co.uk](#)

Call Us: **0131 467 2489** | Address: [Caledonia House, 1 Redheughs Rigg, Edinburgh, EH12 9DQ](#)

COVID-19 Notice - The STS Office has re-opened but our hybrid working policy means most of the team remain working from home. All members of staff can be reached directly via email and the office phone number which will redirect you depending on the topic you need to discuss - dial 0131 467 2489 and choose the option relating to your call.

Why Am I Receiving This?

You are receiving this email because you are a member and currently opted in to the 'STS News' communication group under your STS account profile. To opt out of all non-essential email communications now or at any time in the future, please [sign in to your STS account](#), visit the 'profile' tab and 'opt ins' sub-tab and uncheck the box next to the groups you wish to unsubscribe from. Alternatively, email unsubscribe@scottishtargetshooting.co.uk with details of the name, email address and categories to unsubscribe the account from so we can identify the account and update our mailing list(s) accordingly.

Scottish Target Shooting

Scottish Target Shooting is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated in Scotland with registered number SC515115, having its registered office at Caledonia House, 1 Redheughs Rigg, Edinburgh, EH12 9DQ



Scottish Target Shooting is supported by

sportscotland
the national agency for sport