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Prairie Dog Silhouette Match Administration

1. **Match Schedule:** Scheduled monthly matches are conducted at the Tucson Rifle Club 500 meter rifle silhouette range on the second Sunday of each even month and the second Saturday of each odd month. Special matches may also be scheduled on fifth Sundays. Check web page for dates. Match relay sign up and fees paid prior to 0830. There is no reserved sign up or pre-registration.
2. **Sight In:** Sight in on the permanent range gongs or other targets may be conducted prior to 0830. Any sight in after the match starts will be conducted only with Match Director approval on the far right benches and prior to that shooters first stage. Matches will not be delayed for sight in.
3. **Initial Target Setup:** The Match Director will close the range at 0830 for initial target setup and all weapons shall be removed from the firing line. All shooters will be available to assist in initial target setup unless specifically excused by the Match Director for medical or physical handicap reasons.
4. **Shooters Meeting:** After initial target setup, a mandatory meeting for all shooters will be conducted to review safety and target reset procedures and designate Target Reset Teams as necessary. The match will start after the shooters meeting as soon as the first relay is in place on the line.
5. **Target Setters:** All shooters except the Match Director or designated alternate, the shooters in the next relay and any shooters excused for medical or physical handicap reasons will be available for target reset duty. Normally four target setters are required, one for each target distance. At least one target setter will be dropped at 200, 300 and 385 meters and then picked up on the return trip. The goal for target reset is 5 to 7 minutes from the time the reset teams start down range to return to the shooting line. The Match Director may adjust the number/composition of setters as necessary.
6. **Transition Between Relays:** Shooters will clear weapons and remove their equipment from the bench when finished firing or upon the end of relay CEASE FIRE Command. When the firing line is clear, the Match Director will give the LINE IS CLEAR, TARGET SETTERS DOWN RANGE Command. Target setters are expected to be ready to move out immediately for target reset. Shooters in the next relay may move their equipment less weapon and ammunition to the benches during the period following the CEASE FIRE and before the target setters start downrange. Shooters may not sit at any bench or otherwise handle a weapon on a bench while target setters are downrange. No weapons or ammunition will be placed on the benches until the next relay shooters are called to the line by the Match Director. Once target setters have returned to the firing line and the DOWN RANGE CLEAR, SHOOTERS TO THE LINE Command is given, shooters may bring the remainder of their equipment, weapon and ammunition to and sit at the benches, handle their weapons and prepare for the relay. Shooters are reminded that when a weapon is brought to the line, it must be equipped with a Chamber Safety Flag/Open Bolt Indicator and any detachable magazine removed. Weapons shall not be loaded until the LOAD Command is given. Firing may commence on the FIRE Command. Each shooter is responsible for arranging for their spotter prior to coming to the line. Only shooters, spotters and the Match Director (or alternate) are to be on the firing line during a relay. The goal for transition time between relays is 10 to 12 minutes.
7. **Post Match Clean Up:** After the last relay, all shooters are expected to assist in the post match retrieval of targets and associated equipment for storage in the SAWC target box. Shooters not going down range for retrieval duty are expected to assist in policing the shooting line and ramada areas for trash, water bottles and cans. The SAWC gets credit for all trash left on the range after a match where we put it there or not.
8. **Match Details:** Refer to the separate SAWC Prairie Dog Silhouette Match descriptive sheet for details on match specifics, course of fire, class criteria, weapons limitations and fees.

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