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CHAPTER I

DEFINITION AND DEVELOPMENT OF SPORT FEDECAT

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Article 1°.- DEFINITION OF THE SPORT FEDECAT

The SPORT FEDECAT is a sport shooting discipline, practised on moving artificial targets, which attempt to simulate the movement of hunting species, for which a hunting shotgun is used.

This modality is mainly carried out in shooting ranges approved for this discipline.

Targets can have different sizes and shapes. They are launched from manual or automatic machines, having to be shot by the shooter, in order to evaluate their technical and sporting qualities.

The trajectories used have different levels of difficulty, considering that the firing distance must be similar to those found during a usual hunting day.

The Organizing Committee should take into account human safety and environmental protection.

It is strictly forbidden to shoot live animals.

1.1.- Shooting Range

This discipline is practised in shooting fields or Compak Sporting layouts. It can also be carried out on hunting grounds approved for this purpose.

1.2.- Shooting Stands

The shooting stations are sited at any location on the shooting layout, taking care to maintain the highest level of safety, both for the participants and for the general public. No specific conditions are required, in terms of space or distances between posts.

Each series of 25 clay targets is carried out on a layout, in which three (3) positions will be marked, which must be flat, always favoring the stability of the shooter.

The shooting station must be delimited by a circle of 1 m. in diameter, or a square of 1 m. on the side.

The menu will be placed in front of the shooting station, which will be clearly visible and will indicate the order in which the targets will be thrown, specifying the singles and doubles. The type of clay target does not need to be included.

1.3.- Machines Launchers

The machines launchers can be manual or automatic, as well as the delivery system of the targets. The machines to be used for the same series are five (5), and will be identified in alphabetical order (A, B, C, D and E) from left to right, from the firing position.

1.4.- Targets

The targets to be used are: Standard (110 mm Ø), Mini (90 mm Ø), Battue (108 mm Ø), Rabbit (100 mm Ø) and Supermini (60 mm Ø).

A great variety of colors can be used, always trying to maintain a good visibility of the target throughout its trajectory.

1.5.- The Trajectories of the Targets

The trajectories marked for a competition should respect the usual hunting ethics and distances. No shooting at close range or the game will be unfit for eating. No shooting beyond effective ranges for shotgun and cartridge, or the game will be wounded. Two shots can be fired at all single targets.

- The targets that make up a double must have been thrown as singles.

1.5.1.- Compulsory Trajectories

In all schemes there must be three mandatory flight paths:

- A starter target, like a trap.
- A target from left to right.
- A target from right to left.

1.5.2.- Free Trajectories

The two remaining paths can be freely mounted by the course setter.

1.5.3.- Schemes to be used

The round consist of 25 targets distributed according to the following schemes:

Position	Scheme nº 1	Scheme nº 2
1	4 SINGLES + 2 DOUBLES	5 SINGLES + 2 DOUBLES
2	5 SINGLES + 2 DOUBLES	5 SINGLES + 1 DOUBLES
3	4 SINGLES + 2 DOUBLES	5 SINGLES + 2 DOUBLES
TOTAL	25 Targets	25 Targets

Both schemes can be used according to the course setter. In the same competition different schemes can be used for different layouts.

Article 2º.- DEVELOPMENT OF THE SPORT FEDECAT

2.1.- Development of the Competition

The Competitions Nationals and Internationals preferably are carried out over 150 targets, in rounds of 25 targets. A final round (a Shoot Off) of 25 targets will be contested by the top 6 in the General Classification. If the Competition Committee considers it, and time permits, final shoot offs can be made by categories.

Exceptionally the Competition Jury can reduce the number of targets due to unforeseen causes.

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Each series of 25 plates is carried out on a court, in which three (3) positions will be marked, with eight (8) or nine (9) machines.

Will be used three (3) Machines in station one and three (1;3) and two or three in station two (2) according of the number of machines available. The machines launchers can be manual or automatic, as well as the delivery system of the targets. The machines to be used will be identified in alphabetical order (A, B, C,) from left to right, from the firing position

Schemes to be used

The series consist of 25 targets distributed according to the following schemes

In station one and three (1;3) will be shoot at nine (9) targets, at station two (2) will be shoot seven (7)

Position nº 1	Position nº 2	Position nº 3
3 SINGLES	3 SINGLES	3 SINGLES
1 DOUBLE TO THE SHOT	1 DOUBLE TO THE SHOT	1 DOUBLE TO THE SHOT
1 DOUBLE TO THE SHOT/RAFAL	1 DOUBLE TO THE SHOT/RAFAL	1 DOUBLE TO THE SHOT/RAFAL
1 DOUBLE SIMULTANEOUS		1 DOUBLE SIMULTANEOUS
9	7	9

2.1.1.- Squads

The round of 25 targets will be carried out in groups of six people, which will be assigned by previous drawing and each one will have the corresponding back number.

The Organization of the Competition shall inform the participants of the composition of the squad and of the timetable.

The targets will be presented to the first shooter of the squad at each shooting station, on his call. Single targets and simultaneous doubles and rafale will also be shown.

Once the shooter is in position, he will shoot the single targets and then the doubles, unless the Competition Jury determines another pattern to follow.

The shooter must be at the shooting station (15) fifteen minutes before the time scheduled by the organization. If you arrive late unjustifiably, you will join your squad and all those targets that you have not thrown in your turn will be counted ZEROS.

If the shooter is not at the shooting station when it is his turn to shoot, he will be called by the referee, twice in the time span of (1) one minute.

If the delay is justified, it will notify the Competition Jury and if the Competition Jury considers it, it will contest the same series at another time.

Article 3º.- RULES OF FIRING RANGE.-

3.1.- Execution of the Shot

The shooter must be positioned at the firing position, with both feet within the limit of the shooting station and the shotgun facing the firing zone.

The rest of the shooters from the same squad will remain behind, in a safe area and will not hinder the shot of the participant or the sight the referee.

The position of the shotgun is free at the moment of ordering the target, but the shot has to be taken with the shotgun mounted in the shoulder.

The shooter has (10) ten seconds to load and shoot between targets, both in singles and doubles.

3.2.- Protections

Hearing and eye protection is mandatory. The shooter can choose the type of protection to use.

3.3.- Dress

The clothing of the participant in a competition must be correct, considering:

- Shorts should have a minimum of 5 cm above the knee.
- The use of the upper garment is mandatory. The vest is not considered a garment.
- For safety reasons, the use of sandals is prohibited.
- The back number should be on the back, in its entirety.

Any failure to comply with these rules must be reprimanded by the referee, who shall issue the appropriate warning.

Article 4º.- SINGLE AND DOUBLE TARGET DEFINITION

4.1.- Target Single

Single target is the one that comes out of a machine and at which two cartridges can be fired.

The target should be launched in an interval of 0” to 3” seconds after it is called for by the shooter.

4.2.- Double Target

Two targets are thrown from one or two machines. The two cartridges can be fired on either of the two targets. If a single shot fragments the two targets, both will be considered good.

The doubles can be presented as either ‘on report’, simultaneous or rafale.

Each series of 25 targets must include at least two simultaneous doubles.

4.2.1.- ‘On report’ Doubles

It is considered an ‘on report’ double, when two targets are thrown from one or two machines. The second target will be launched from 0” to 3” after the first target is shot.

4.2.2.- Simultaneous Double

It is considered simultaneous double, when two targets are thrown at the same time from one or two machines.

- The targets can be shot in any order.
- The two targets can be shot down by a single shot.

4.2.3.- Rafale Double

It is considered a rafale double when two targets are launched by the same machine, in the same trajectory, with the interval of time it takes to rearrange the machine itself.

- The shooter can shoot the targets in any order.

CHAPTER II

REFEREEING OF THE COMPETITION

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Article 5º.- **JUDGE/REFEREE**

The judges/referees are responsible for everything that happens in their layout.

Collaborate with the Organization in all that is required for the proper conduct of the Competition.

The Sport FEDECAT Competition will be run by judges/referees with the required level. Thus an international test will be judged by international referees.

5.1.- Category of Judge/Referee

The judges/referees will obtain the levels of Autonomous, National and International, granting them the category of the corresponding Federation (Autonomous or National).

Referees wishing to obtain the title of International Arbitrator will be examined by FEDECAT evaluators. The application must be endorsed by your national federation.

5.2.- Attitude of the Judge/Referee

The judge/referee must at all times ensure the smooth running of the competition and in addition:

- Maintain order and discipline in the post.
- Make appropriate decisions accurately.
- Will deal with complaints that may arise in a respectful manner.
- Will announce the results in a clear and audible voice.
- Has authority to temporarily suspend the competition due to adverse weather conditions.
- He is responsible for launching the targets, once they have been requested by the shooter.
- He will judge the result of the target, GOOD or ZERO or NO BIRD.
- Will note any anomaly or warning to the shooter on the score sheet.

The Judge/Referee must inform the Director of the Competition of any event that calls into question the safety of persons or materials, especially if the weather conditions are adverse and affect the original target trajectory.

5.3.- Refuse a Target

The shooter cannot refuse a target, except if he has not requested it. Only the judge can determine whether a trajectory is GOOD or NO BIRD

5.4.- Target considered GOOD

When a target is thrown according to the Regulation, and the shooter fires at it, breaking it completely, partially, or if a visible piece comes off of it.

This includes the FLASH targets.

5.5.- Target considered ZERO

- If the shooter fails to fire at the target without justification it is considered ZERO.
- If the shooter fires at the target but does not detach a visible piece.
- If, in the case of a gun malfunction, the shooter opens the gun or moves the safety catch before the referee has chance to check the gun.
- If it is the second gun malfunction in the same round

5.6.- Target considered a NO BIRD**5.6.1.- For gun malfunction**

- The first incident will be declared NO BIRD. The shooter will be warned and noted.
- The second and following incidents, the targets will be considered ZERO.
- In case of accidental firing of both cartridges, the target(s) shall be considered NO BIRD.
- In case of failure of the first shot, the targets shall be considered NO BIRD.
- If the second shot fails:
 - ☞ In a single target, it will be considered NO BIRD. The target is repeated and can only be scored by the second shot.
 - ☞ In a double shot, the result of the first is scored and the double is repeated.
 - ☞ In simultaneous double or rafale, the full double is repeated. The result of the first shot is not taken into account.

5.6.2.- For the Target

- For being judged by the referee as outside the set trajectory.
- For not complying with Regulation.
- For not being requested by the shooter.
- For failure to be released by the referee.
- For breaking of the target in:
 - ☞ A single target, repeats itself.
 - ☞ First target of an 'on report' double , the double is repeated.
 - ☞ Second target of an 'on report' double, the double is repeated and the result of the first is scored.
 - ☞ In Simultaneous Double or Rafale the full double is repeated.
- In case a target or a piece of it breaks hitting the second target before the shooter takes the second shot, the double is repeated, the result of the first shot is scored.
- If the first shot breaks the two targets of a double, the result will be considered GOOD-GOOD.

Article 6º.- SHOTGUNS AND AMMUNITION

The shotguns used will have a caliber of 12 or less, and the barrel has a size of 65 cm or more.

The maximum load to use will be 28 gr. with a tolerance of $\pm 3\%$.

The diameter of the ammunition shall be between 2 and 2.5 mm for lead ammunition and between 2 and 2,75 mm for lead-free ammunition.

6.1.- Prohibitions on the shotguns

- The strap is forbidden.
- Shooting with electronic aiming systems.
- Placing a recording system on the weapon.
- Touching another shooter's shotgun.
- Make changes to the shotgun once at the firing position.
- The mix of pellets of different sizes.

The referee can ask the shooter for two cartridges for control at any time. The use of re-loaded cartridges, dispersants and tracers is strictly prohibited.

Article 7º.- RULES OF SAFETY AND CONDUCT**7.1.- Standards of Behaviour**

- The shooter's behavior must be exemplary at all times.
- The shooter must respect the referee and his decisions.
- It is forbidden to point the gun at the targets of other shooters.
- The shooter must be prepared to enter the firing post immediately after the previous.
- The shotgun cannot be tested, either at the firing position or in the immediate vicinity.
- In case of failure or malfunction of the shotgun, the shooter must not touch it until the referee has reviewed it.

7.2.- Safety Standards

- The shooter must load the shotgun only when located at the firing position and with the permission of the referee.
- Semi-automatic shotguns cannot be loaded with more than two cartridges.
- Before leaving the shooting station you must unload your gun.
- Hearing and eye protections are mandatory.

Article 8.- CLAIMS

- The target must be broken in the visible area and within the limits marked in its trajectory.
- The shooter cannot proceed to pick up a target to check if it has been hit by the shot.
- If you consider that the referee's decision is not correct, you will raise your hand and say "COMPLAINT FOR LOSS", then state the grounds for the claim.
If the referee is not sure of the result, he may consult with the auxiliary judge.
- If the shooter continues to disagree, he may appeal the referee's decision to the Competition Jury, in writing and with a deposit of 50% of the registration fee. If the jury agrees with the shooter, that amount will be refunded.
- Once the competition is resumed, the shooter must continue with his round. Must not maintain any ability to protest or make overt gestures against the referee's decision.
- Improper behaviour of the shooter may result in a sanction, including his expulsion from the Competition, if the Jury considers so.

Article 9.- WARNINGS AND PENALTIES

- A continued protest by the shooter may result in a verbal WARNING that will be noted on the score card. If the protest continues, a second WARNING will result in the loss of a target, counting according to:
ZERO for a single target.
ZERO and NO BIRD for an 'on report' double.
ZERO and ZERO for a simultaneous double and rafale.
- The irregular conduct of the shooter can be communicated by the referee to the Competition Jury who can determine a sanction, which will be:
 - Loss of one target.
 - Loss of a round of 25 targets.
 - Exclusion from the competition.
- The improper conduct of a shooter may result in the opening of a sanction file, which may result in the disqualification of the shooter for a period of 1 to 5 years, or even the definitive exclusion of all those competitions organized by the FEDECAT.

Article 10.- SCORE CARD

The score card is attached in ANNEX 1. It will reflect the GOOD targets with a blade (/) and the ZEROS targets with a zero (0).

The card must be signed, at the end of the round, by the main referee, the auxiliary and by all the shooters of the squad.

It will also record notices or warnings to shooters.

CHAPTER III

STRUCTURE AND PLANNING

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Article 11.- STRUCTURE AND PLANNING OF COMPETITIONS

The Sport Fedecat Competitions will be held in areas approved by the Federation responsible for the Competition.

In the case of International Competitions, the field will be approved by the Technical Commission of FEDECAT.

All National or International events will be directed by a Competition Director.

11.1 International Competitions

- International competitions can be organized by National Federations attached to FEDECAT.
- These will be responsible for the Organization of the Competition, under the supervision and direction of the Technical Commission of FEDECAT.
- The layout will always be supervised by an official course setter, assigned by FEDECAT.

SAFETY CAUTION

In the conduct of a Sport FEDECAT competition, the safety of people, as well as of the material, must be of extreme importance. Buildings and sensitive areas should be avoided.

The layout of a competition should take into account possible changes in weather conditions. If these, have an impact on any trajectory, which may call into question security, the Competition Jury will take the necessary measures to avoid this situation.

11.2.- National Competitions

- National competitions can be organized by Autonomous Federations, with the supervision and direction of the National Federation.
- The Autonomous Federations can delegate the performance of these competitions to a Provincial Delegation or to a Club, assuming the responsibility of the same.
- The national course setting must always be supervised by an official course setter, recognized as such by the organizing National Federation.

11.3.- Jury of Competition

- In the National and International Championships, a Competition Jury will be appointed that will be formed by representatives of the different countries or Autonomous Communities, in addition to the members present of the Technical Commission of Sport FEDECAT and the Director of the Competition.
- Among them a President will be appointed.

- The Competition Jury has the ability to resolve any eventuality that arises during the course of the event.
- He will answer the claims made by the participants.
- He will respond to the complaints made by the Judges/Referees and will sanction as he considers.
- It will make its decisions by a majority of the members present. If there were to vote, to make a decision, in case of equality, the President will have the casting vote.
- If there is an urgent measure to be taken, any member of the Jury can do so by subsequently informing the Competition Jury.
- The members of the Jury must, at all times, be aware of maintaining the levels of security at the shooting stations, as well as respecting the regulations and particular rules.
- Supervise the schedules that will govern during the competition.
- If a member observes an inappropriate behavior of a Referee, he will inform the Federation promptly, presenting the corresponding report.

11.4.- Shoot-offs

- In case of a tie for the first three places of the General Classification, will be at elimination zero.
- With insufficient light intensity, the Competition Jury will determine the number of targets and the way in which it will be carried out.
- The rest of the rankings will be made by the results obtained in the Shoot-offs round, if they continue to be tied, then 'count back' will be used to determine the winners.
- The Shoot-offs will be after the end of the competition and when the Competition Jury deems it. The missing shooters at the time of the start will be declared withdrawn.
- There will be no Shot-offs for Team Ranking. The results will be obtained by 'count back'.

ANNEX 1



SCORE CARD

SPORT FEDECAT

(*Test Name*)

(Place and date)

Squad:

Layout:

Round:

NUMBER	NAME	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	TOTAL

Signature Chief Referee

Signature Referee Auxiliary

Shooter nº 1

Shooter nº 2

Shooter nº 3

Shooter nº 4

Shooter nº 5

Shooter nº 6