

# Alan Paine Game Bird Challenge Rules 2018

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1. Shotguns must be unloaded and kept in a sleeve whilst travelling between stands and around the shooting ground.
2. When out of the sleeve the shotgun must be broken and empty and only loaded when on the firing point.
3. No gun is to be pointed at anyone.
4. The gun may be mounted or off the shoulder when calling for a target.
5. While on the firing point the barrels must be kept pointed in a safe direction, especially in the event of a misfire.
6. Whilst we are happy for people to use semi-auto shotguns on the shooting ground, for this competition we strongly recommend that they are not used. Hence, there is no Semi-Auto category for this competition.
7. We do not allow sharing of guns on the grounds. Should you need a gun, or want to shoot the competition with a different gun to your own, they may be hired for use at a cost of £10 per person.
8. The wearing of visible hearing protection for both ears is compulsory.
9. All shooters must wear eye protection.
10. Head protection in the form of a peaked hat must be worn by all competitors.
11. Competitors are required to have a minimum of £3 million Third Party Liability insurance cover.
12. Alcohol is strictly forbidden to all competitors. Spectators are also requested to observe this rule.
13. A referee's decision is final. An objection to a decision must be raised immediately.
14. No advice or coaching may be given to competitors on the stands.
15. Individuals are responsible for the safe storage of their shotguns and belongings when not in use. Neither the organiser nor the ground owners will accept responsibility for the loss, damage or injury to persons, their property or effects whilst on the shooting ground.
16. Points are awarded as follows: one for a hit, zero for a loss.
17. In the event of a tie for 1st place in any category, a shoot-off will be held on 7th August. If you do not attend the shoot-off, you will forfeit all and any prizes you may have been eligible for.
18. All prizes must be collected within 1 month from 7th August 2018.
19. No game cartridges are to be used. Maximum 28g 7 1/2 to be used.
20. For the family pair you must be Under 18 years old at the time of shooting the event, including any shoot-offs on 7th August 2018.

## Categories:

When booking-in you must state which category you are shooting in.

Scores cannot be transferred to a different category once shot.

You are very welcome to shoot in more than one category, however you cannot win the overall high gun in more than one category.

The Categories are as follows:

- **Side by Side** - Your side-by-side can be any bore size.
- **Small Bore** - Your gun must be a minimum of 20 bore or smaller.
- **Over and Under** - Your gun must be a 12 bore or smaller.
- **Ladies** - You can shoot with any gun in this category.
- **Family Pair** - To enter this category one shooter must be Over 18 and one must be Under 18 at the time of shooting the event, including any shoot-offs on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2018. The scores will be combined to give you your overall score.