



ENGLISH SMALLBORE SHOOTING UNION

English Open 25m Air Pistol Championships

Lord Roberts Centre Bisley 5th – 6th September 2026

All competitions are Open to all but the title 'English Champion' with associated trophies may only be won by those who are ESSU Members on or before 29th August 2026.

Competitions will be conducted in line with current ISSF and WSPS Rules where applicable and modified from the cartridge pistol events into air pistol. The pistol trigger test weight is 500g, the same as used in ISSF 10m air pistol competition.

Entries close Saturday 29th August 2026

Entries after that date will be accepted, range space permitting, subject to a £15.00 late entry fee

Competition rules and subsequent results may be viewed on our websites:

www.essu.org.uk

Entries may be made only via email: attach the completed entry form and email to: 25m@englandshooting.org.uk (write: **ESSU Entry + your name in the Subject Line**)

Payment: by BACS / bank transfer to **ESSU** sort code: **20-24-61** account: **80364908**

PAYMENT & ENTRY: When paying by electronic banking, **PLEASE WAIT** for squadding notice showing competitor number. **Use this as the payment reference. e.g. Champs101.**

Once squadding-notice is e-mailed please send payment within seven days, or the entry will be withdrawn.

Your squadding notice will include a notice of the fees payable.

Squadding notices will be sent by e-mail. **Please PRINT your e-mail address clearly.**



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ENTRY FORM

Name..... Contact Telephone No.....

E-mail address.....

Male/Female Date of Birth (if age 21 before 31-Dec-2026)

ESSU Membership Number (*Full Member on date of submitting this form*). / OR Non-Member

For WSPS Classification only: International British Shooting

NOTE: This competition is open to all.

Eligible current members of the ESSU will automatically be entered into the confined English Championship events.

COMPETITIONS

comp no.	Event	Date / Time <i>Circle choice of time.</i> Your squadding notice will show CALL TO LINE times		Entry Fee	£
1	25m Rapid Fire Pistol (5-shot pistol only) Men	Sat	9:00 11:00	£30.00	
2	25m Standard Pistol (5-shot pistol only) Men & Women	Sat	14:30	£30.00	
3	25m Sport Pistol (may be shot with single or 5-shot) Men & Women	Sun	9:00 11:30	£30.00	
Sub Total:					
ESSU Full member discount				- £ 5.00	
Additional Junior discount (age 21 and under to 31 st Dec 2026):				- £ 5.00	
If entries are received after Saturday 29 th August; Late entry fee:				£ 15.00	
Remittance after discounts:					

NOTES:

All payments to be made by BACS to - 80364908 - 20-24-61 - ENGLISH SMALL BORE SHOOTING UNION

*Make your BACS payment **AFTER** you receive your squadding notice, using the reference shown thereon.*

- I agree to abide by the Rules of the ISSF as modified by ESSU, particularly those concerning safety.
- I declare that I do not currently suffer from epilepsy or sudden attacks of disabling giddiness or fainting, any mental illness or any other disability or medical condition that could affect my fitness as a shooter.
If you have a medical history of any of these conditions, please supply a medical certificate or evidence that would permit us to accept your entry, as required by the Firearms Acts.
- I consent to the personal information that I enter on this form being obtained, processed and retained by ESSU for the legitimate purpose of the effective management and promotion of competitive sporting activity, including the publication of my name, score, club, and photographs in match reports and scoreboards on the ESSU and other relevant websites and social media platforms in accordance with the ESSU Privacy Notice at: www.essu.org.uk/membership/privacy-notice

Signature of Competitor..... Date.....

If under 18, counter-signature of parent or guardian: Relationship:.....

All entry forms to be emailed to 25m@englandshooting.org.uk

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English Open & Confined 25m Air Pistol Championships

Rules and Conditions of Entry

Rule Authority

All Rifle, Pistol and Air-Gun competitions will be shot under current ISSF rules as far as range conditions permit. Athletes who compete under WSPS rules are eligible to enter the Open Grand Prix, Open and confined English Championships. Equipment Control (EC) will apply and ISSF and GBR EC certificates will be accepted but not supersede any in place EC checks which may be carried out randomly from athletes who are competing. Particular attention will be made of the use of optical enhancements to the rifle foresight. This is not permitted.

All athletes wishing to compete under WSPS rules are to present a valid classification certificate with their entry into this Competition. NSRA dispensation certificates will not be accepted. All classifications must be either GBR or Internationally recognised.

For all 25m air pistol competitions, a trigger wight of 500g will be used. This is the same trigger wight as used in the 10m air pistol event.

Statutory liability

All people attending this Championships are reminded of their statutory liability in respect of their possession and handling of firearms and ammunition. Competitors are required to make a declaration on the entry form that they are entitled to use the type and class of firearm for the competition(s) that they enter by virtue of their membership of a Home Office approved Club, or other authority. Acceptance of an entry is conditional on the declarations being signed by each competitor. The Organising Committee reserves the right to examine this authorisation and refuse to accept an entry where this cannot be proven.

Eligibility for English Championship Titles

The English Open Championships is an open competition to all comers and are eligible to win English Open Championship medals.

The title of 'English Champion', and award of trophies may only be won by current Members of the ESSU. ESSU membership for eligibility for these confined trophy awards must be valid before the first day of the Championships.

English Open Championship Medals will be awarded subject to the following:

1 to 5 Competitors	"Gold" medal only.
5 to 8 Competitors	"Gold" and "Silver" medals.
9 or more Competitors	"Gold" "Silver" and "Bronze" medals.

Entries

Entries must be made on the official entry form which may be copied or downloaded. Only one entry is allowed for each competitor for the purposes of the Open competition or the English Championships.

Data Protection Act 1998 Notice

Data on entrants will be held on a personal computer by the ESSU, for the purposes of maintaining its Register of Competitors and the publishing of results. This data will only comprise a Name, Nationality, contact telephone or e-mail address, the scores achieved and for juniors only DOB. The Competition Organiser is the designated representative under the Act. By entering the Championships and signing the entry form you are giving consent for the ESSU to keep and use information about you for this purpose. The entry-forms containing your details will be retained in their original form for a period of 2 years after the Championships. Results will be maintained by electronic means indefinitely for the purposes of future reference and maintaining historical records, and as such will be displayed on the ESSU website. The website display will be confined to a table of results showing a Name, Nationality and scores achieved for each competition entered. Individuals who do not wish their full name to be displayed on the website must indicate this in the appropriate place on the entry form. In this case, results will display your initials and Country only.

Squadding Notices, Firing-Points and Score Printouts

All events will be squadded. All Competitors will be sent a notice by e-mail which will state their Name, Competitor Number, Date, Time and Range for all competitions entered. Firing points will be allocated by the Championship Organiser and displayed on the notice-board at the rear of each range. The Chief Range Officer has the authority to re-allocate firing-points as necessary. It will be the responsibility of each competitor to arrive at their designated firing-point at the correct time otherwise the event may only be fired at the discretion of the Championship Committee if there is a spare firing point available and a valid reason why the allotted time was not adhered to. At the conclusion of each shoot each competitor should sign their printouts or score-cards and return them to the Range Officer or Classification Jury.

Note: The time shown on the squadding notice is the "athletes to the line" time and in advance of preparation time.

Junior Competitions

Juniors are defined by ISSF Rules as follows: "...***Athletes will remain as Juniors until the 31st December of the year in which they become 21 years of age. Any athlete born between the 1st January and the 31st December, will cease to be a Junior on the 31st December of that year...***"

Junior Competitions are concurrent with all Championship events and may not be entered or competed separately. No additional entry fees are payable. The winners will be the highest placed individual in the qualification event. There are NO 25m air pistol finals. Trophies may only be won by ESSU members but subject to entry, medals will be awarded to the top three Juniors in each event.

Posting of Results, Challenges and Protests

In events which run throughout the Championships, scores will be posted at regular intervals on the Championships notice board. These will be regularly updated, ranked, and marked "INTERIM RESULT" until such time as all scores have been processed. These result sheets will then be posted showing "RESULT".

For events which take place in a single relay or detail, scorecards or printer strips must be returned to the Championship Statistics office immediately after the conclusion of the competition. Result sheets will be posted as soon as practicable after the scores have been collated. All such result sheets will show the time of publication, and show "FINAL RESULT". After the Meeting has closed, all results will be available for downloading from the ESSU Website – www.essu.org.uk

Challenges: In all competitions where scores are recorded on the range, competitors must check the scores and additions carefully before signing them. Only challenges concerning incorrect addition may be made to Championship Stats. Office, as challenges concerning the scoring value of a shot cannot be resolved subsequently. No challenges will be accepted after TEN MINUTES of the publication of the competition Final Results unless a genuine mistake in recording of the scores can be shown.

Verbal protests: These may be made and decided on the ranges immediately by the Range Officer or Chief Range Officer. If the protest is resolved to the satisfaction of all concerned then no further action is necessary, no protest fee is payable, and a brief report of the circumstances may be made by the RO to the Organising Committee if considered justified.

Written protests: If a Shooter or Team Official does not agree with the decisions of a Range Officer or Championship Officials in matters concerning breaches or interpretation of the competition rules

or on any other matter that is likely to have an effect on the results of any competition, then a written protest must be submitted on a form obtainable at Championship Reception. This written protest must be received by the Championship Organising Committee no later than TEN MINUTES after the matter in question, and a fee of £5.00 is payable. A shooter or team official has the right to submit a written protest without making a verbal protest. A Jury comprising three members of the ESSU Championship Committee will consider all written appeals, which will be decided by a majority vote. The decision, giving reasons, will be notified in writing.

If there is disagreement with the Jury decision, the matter may be appealed to a Jury of Appeal. Such appeals must be submitted in writing by the Shooter or his/her representative no later than ONE HOUR after the Jury decision has been announced, and a further fee of £10.00 is payable. The Jury of Appeal will comprise three members of the Championship Committee, or other persons holding ISSF or National judging qualifications, who were not on the original Jury. Decisions of the Jury of Appeal will be notified in writing, and may not be further appealed. If the protest or subsequent appeal is upheld, all fees will be returned.

English Championship Competition Trophies

Air Sport Pistol Men	The Hunter Trophy
Air Sport Pistol Women	The Ted Newton-Brazier Trophy
Junior Men Air Sport Pistol	The Gill Goodfellow Plate
Junior Women Air Sport Pistol	The George Darling Plate

All trophies will be held by the winner for one year only and must be returned as notified on the ESSU website in good time for the Championships of the following year. Alternatively, trophies may be professionally engraved at the winners' own expense and returned to the Championships. The Awards Officer or Championship Organiser must be informed of your intentions in this respect.

NOTE: The running of this Championships is contingent upon the NSRA making available the 25m range with associated target equipment at Lord Roberts Centre, Bisley.