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## **Rimfire Rules Discussion**

**F**ollowing discussions held in Portugal, Carl Hanson (UK) and Alan Couranton (France) were delegated to look at what revisions were needed to the rules, in particular to ensure they are better understood. We are thankful for their efforts and we have distributed a new set of Rules Version 5 with WBSF Symbol on the front (Red)

You will note indicators in the right margin which will lead you to the major changes. However should suggest the substance of the rules have not been changed. Since this work was completed, we have received submissions from Australia proposing a number of changes. These have been referred to the working party for feedback, which was duly received and further referred to Australia for comment.

Change suggested "averaged" to "cumulative score". Working party went with "the sum of".

Add Barrel Tuner to be included in Rifle Specifications – accepted

Allow alterations to Tuner during shooting a match, subject to bolt being out of rifle - rejected.

Front and Rear Bags – delete sand and include non-metallic substance-rejected mainly due to some mineral/black sands being magnetic – how would you check – each bag opened at Inspection and small quantity poured out. - Rejected Delegates Committee may wish to consider

Considerable discussion re Bags and ability to indent or flex and by how much. Rejected - however consideration by the Delegates would be appreciated as this could well impinge on Centrefire. Please read appropriate rule to understand current position.

Bench Height – Guidance on height to be removed – rejected

Range Commands - add Command 14 – "Clear the Benches" Command 15 "Target Crew can go forward" Recommended for acceptance however delegates should approve and apply to Centrefire Time Limit reduced from 30 to 20 Minutes - Rejected

Proposed backing card / material immediately behind the target, presumably to reduce light penetration onto the target. The view is rather than a strict rule the document provide a recommendation that Organising Committees consider the issue in relation to their own particular range. Needs consideration by Delegates as could impact Centrefire.

These matters are included on the Agenda for Delegates Meeting during WBC14

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