

## RULE CHANGE FORMAT

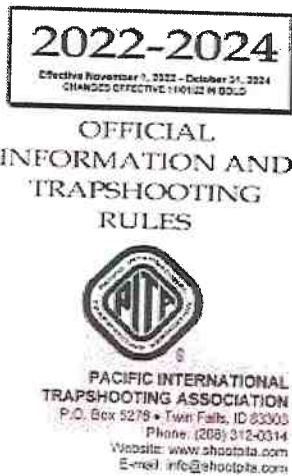
**ALL RULE CHANGES/PROPOSALS MUST BE SUBMITTED IN THIS FORMAT, SIGNED BY THE STATE/PROVINCIAL PRESIDENT AND CERTIFIED BY THE STATE/PROVINCIAL SECRETARY -SUBMISSION DEADLINE DECEMBER 31.**

**THIS PROPOSED RULE CHANGE IS PRESENTED BY THE WASHINGTON STATE PITA ASSOCIATION.**

### Section 1 (current rule):

- (1) List page and year of Rule Book that contains rule to be changed, deleted or will have new text added

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- (2) List title of rule to be changed, deleted or added  
NO TARGET - SINGLES/HANDICAP

- (3) Identify paragraph(s) of rule(s) to be changed (if applicable)  
Paragraph number 4

- (4) Copy rule(s) to be changed, if applicable (if rule is lengthy copy affected portion)  
When the trap is sprung without any call of pull, or when it is sprung at any material interval or time, before or after the call of the contestant, providing the contestant does not shoot. If the contestant shoots while the target is in flight it shall be assumed to have been fired at the target unless the shot hits the back of the back of the trap house below the lid or hits the ground somewhere between the contestant and the lines parallel to the back of the trap house. If there is no objective evidence of a "ground shot" then the results will be scored based on the target breakage. Contestants will be allowed a maximum of two "ground shots" or any "accidental" firings in any sub-event. Any "ground shots" or "accidental" firing in excess of two, in any sub-event, will be scored as lost targets.

**Section 2 (proposed change):**

(1) Print proposed rule change or addition in it's entirety and include:

Contestants will be allowed a maximum of two "ground shots" ~~DELETE - or any "accidental" firings~~ in any sub-event. Any "ground shots" ~~DELETE - or "accidental" firing~~ in excess of two, in any sub-event, will be scored as lost targets.

- a. Page number and specific year of Rule Book (if different from Section 1)  
Same as above
- b. Title (if different from Section 1)  
Same as above
- c. Paragraph(s) identification  
Same as above

**Section 3 (reason):**

(1) Explain reason for change, addition or deletion and include:

Original intent of the rule for a ground shot was to have objective evidence that the shooter was not shooting at the target. Accidentally shootings have no objective evidence. The accidentally shooting term was inadvertently placed in the "ground shot" rule.

- a. Benefit to shooters  
Intent of the rule change is to clarify fairness for the shooter and the organization. This eliminates indiscriminate claims of not breaking a target.

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