



# Rifle and Magazine Specification

CRPC Clarification of NSRA Rules

## All Rifles Must Be Unloaded

Rifles must be unloaded at all times when they are uncased, except when they are being used under the orders of a range officer.

For rifles and pistols, unloaded means that **no cartridge or pellet is:**

- in the chamber or on the loading platform;
- **in a fixed magazine;**

CRPC will allow any **removable magazine** to be loaded but the magazine must **obviously be detached** from the weapon.

All rifles should be transported to the firing point with the **safety flag inserted** and the **bolt back or removed**.

## RCO Must Be Made Aware

Shooters must inform the Range Conducting Officer prior to detail that their rifle is fitted with magazine.

RCOs must ensure by inspection that the additional safety checks are completed and the rifle and magazine are clear and safe, with safety flags inserted.

## Small-bore Prone Specification (NSRA Rules 8.3)

- All rifles chambered for rimfire 5.6 mm Long Rifle (.22 in LR) cartridges are permitted.
- If the rifle has a **magazine**, only **one** cartridge may be loaded.
- The use of a support sling is permitted.
- Sights must be iron sights, telescopic sights are not allowed.

## Benchrest Rifle Specification (NSRA Rules 8.16)

- All .22 LR rimfire rifles, air or CO2 rifles of calibre 5.6 mm (.22 in) or less are permitted.
- Rifles fitted with **magazines** may only be loaded with **one** cartridge or pellet.
- Shooters can use either a sling or a fore-end rest to support the rifle (but not both).
- The rifle may be supported and held as shown in the NSRA benchrest clarification document.

## Lightweight Sporting Rifle Specification (NSRA Rules 8.3.3)

All .22 LR rimfire rifles and air or CO2 rifles of calibre 5.6 mm (.22 in) or less are permitted, subject to:

- The overall weight, including sights and all other accessories, shall not exceed 4.5 kg
- There is no minimum trigger weight restriction but it is the responsibility of the shooter to make sure that it is safe. The RCO has the authority to rule that a trigger is unsafe.
- When used with a **magazine**, the rifle shall **not be loaded with more than 10** cartridges or projectiles, even though the magazine may be of a larger capacity
- Use of specialist clothing or a support sling is not allowed.
- Use of elbow pads and a glove is allowed
- CRPC does not allow juniors to use small-bore rifles fitted with a magazine

**Semi-Automatic Rifles are not allowed at the range.**