

Roop County Days 2024

Tom Horn categories and their requirements

Tom Horn is not a SASS recognized category. Tom Horn has been offered at the Roop County Days and Helldorado annual matches for several years. It's not for everyone, but those who participate seem to really enjoy it. It started originally as a black powder category, but it is now offered in black powder and smokeless.

Tom Horn requires the use of a rifle caliber repeater or single shot rifle on the big bore targets. The single shots use fewer rounds than the repeaters. The rules and requirements are:

- Must use a SASS recognized rifle caliber repeater or rifle caliber single shot as described in the SASS Shooters Handbook under the Long Range or Precision Rifle section. The 38-55 rifle meets this requirement.
- May be shot with BP or any SASS approved substitute OR that heathen smokeless.
- Any main match pistols in 40 caliber or larger. The .38-.40 pistol meets this requirement.
- Pistols may be shot in any SASS legal style).
- Any SASS legal shotgun.
- All stages will have Big Bore targets. Shooters must be prepared to use your Big Bore rifle for all stages. These targets will be clearly marked in the stage descriptions.
- If you choose to use both a single shot and a repeater, the category will default to repeater.

We recognize the fact that Murphy is in charge and stuff happens - if you are unable to engage all the big bore targets due to equipment malfunction and must revert to a pistol caliber rifle, you will no longer be eligible for a Tom Horn category award.

The subcategories are:

Tom Horn Black Powder Repeater – men and ladies

Tom Horn Black Powder Single Shot – men and ladies

Tom Horn Smokeless Repeater – men and ladies

Tom Horn Smokeless Single Shot – men and ladies

Tom Horn Bounty Hunter

- This is the only Tom Horn category allowing the use of .38/.357 caliber pistols and has a .30-.30 Winchester 1894 rifle requirement.
- The Tom Horn Bounty Hunter category will be recognized by a single award only – for high man and high lady.