



# Council for Cadet Rifle Shooting

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## **'REGIONAL CADET BISLEY' 2021 – CCRS INSTRUCTION NO. 1**

References:

- A. CCRS Advisory Committee (including representation from all single Service Cadet Force HQs).
- B. 'Regional Cadet Bisley' Planning Group (various meetings).
- C. AC 71855C, Cadet Training Ranges, Regulations for Cadets Training with Cadet Weapons Systems and Pyrotechnics April 2021.
- D. AC 72008 Cadet Training Safety Precautions, 'The Red Book'.
- E. Cadet L81A2 Regional Cadet Bisley 2021 (Draft) dated 24 May 21.
- F. NYA, MoD and Single Service policy and guidance for Youth and Cadet 'Covid safe' activity.
- G. MS Teams Coordination Meeting 22 Jun 21.

### **Introduction**

1. CCRS is a charitable organisation, charged with supporting the training delivery of all five Cadet Forces through shooting and competitions. Following Reference A, and with support from Regional Command, a Cadet Bisley Planning Group (CBPG) was set up with representation from all three Services to discuss and agree options for a Target Rifle (TR) event to replace 'Cadet Bisley' 2021 (the Inter Services Cadet Rifle Meeting (ISCRM), the Schools' (CCF) Meeting, and the Cadet Imperial), given non-availability of Brunswick Camp.
2. Various meetings and coordination conferences (References B and G) have established parameters, shared information and ideas, and built situational awareness and consensus while respecting single Service positions. This letter seeks to summarise and confirm planning arrangements for all those involved to support the delivery of 'Regional Cadet Bisley' (RCB) as part of the re-invigoration of the Cadet Experience following Covid, and a return to competitive shooting as a key cadet activity.

### **Purpose (MISSION)**

3. To deliver a series of Regional Target Rifle (TR) meetings in late summer/ early autumn, culminating in a Final at Bisley during October 2021 half-term.

### **Planning and delivery (EXECUTION)**

4. Concept. A CCRS-sponsored, de-centralised, combined ISCRM/Schools TR competition common format, using ARTAT-approved matches, to be shot by any team of four cadets from the CCF, SSC, VCC, ACF or ATC. Up to eleven Regional competition weekends in all, facilitated by Regional Command and its subordinate RPOCs and Cadet Training Teams (CTTs) as they determine,

and supported as possible by the other Services, starting in September 2021, and culminating in a CCRS-run Final at Bisley between 28 and 30 October 2021. Each weekend will use a common match format with prizes and medals for each Regional event overall and for each Cadet Force

5. Roles, Responsibilities and Tasks. As discussed and agreed by the CBPG, and summarised graphically at Annex B, the following is designed to help addressees. It is not exhaustive. For those less experienced with Target Rifle (TR) shooting (as opposed to Service Rifle or military shooting), TR is a sport governed by the National Rifle Association (NRA) in terms of Match Rules and Conditions. 'Regional Cadet Bisley's Match Rules and Conditions are in accordance with these, and approved by ARTAT as the governing body for TR shooting within the military, including Cadets. These Match Conditions and Rules are to be applied within the context of local Range Safety Rules, and References B and C.

a. CCRS. CCRS is the overall event owner, with CCRS General Secretary as the Exercise Director and overall Senior Activity Owner. Regional competitions will be run in accordance with national Target Rifle Match Rules as directed by the sport's governing body, the National Rifle Association, and as approved by ARTAT as the military authority for cadet shooting. See Annex A for Match Rules and Conditions, also at the following link [https://ccrs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/20210608-Regional\\_Cdt\\_Bisley-Match\\_ConditionsRules.pdf](https://ccrs.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/20210608-Regional_Cdt_Bisley-Match_ConditionsRules.pdf). CCRS is responsible for Match Rules, and will appoint a Match Director for each Regional competition. Tasks include:

- 1) Match Rules and Conditions.
- 2) Appointment of Senior Planning Officer (SPO) and Range Control Officer (RCO) for each Regional event (through a CBPG nominations process).
- 3) MS Forms Entry Form template <https://forms.office.com/r/iURb5VG0wJ0>
- 4) Equitable management of all entries with Shooting Leads.
- 5) Registration and correlation of scores ('Stats'), including issue of template.
- 6) Arbitration.
- 7) Support to RPoCs/CTTS and Shooting Leads as necessary for the delivery of each Regional TR event.
- 8) Planning, coordination and delivery of a combined 'Cadet Bisley' Final at Pirbright over October half-term (outside dates are 28-31 Oct 21).
- 9) Prizes and Medals.

b. Regional Command. Regional Command (RC) has the lead for CCFs and the ACF, and as the tri-Service lead for shooting, has kindly agreed to facilitate and support Regional competitions in each RPoC Area of Responsibility (AoR) through HQ RC Cadet Branch. RPoCs and CTTs were consulted on the concept, and subsequently invited to identify and facilitate one TR competition weekend each. Tasks include:

- 1) Policy direction as required.
- 2) Command level training and logistical staff support as necessary.
- 3) Direction and support to, and liaison with Cadet Training Teams (CTT), including any necessary budgetary or financial support approvals.
- 4) Confirm whether Channel Islands (CI) military ranges may be cleared and authorised for use in time for all CI units.

c. Other Single Service HQs. The Royal Navy's policy lead for Sea Cadets (RM/RN) is with Flag Officer Sea Training (FOST) and the training and development policy and delivery lead is with the Maritime Society and Sea Cadets (MSSC); the Voluntary Cadet Corps (VCC) is

also a RN-sponsored youth development organisation. Headquarters RAF Air Cadets (HQ RAFAC) is the policy and training delivery lead for Air Cadets. The relevant RN and RAF headquarters and Shooting Leads are requested to:

- 1) Ensure relevant information flow to Areas, Wings and Units as appropriate.
- 2) Coordinate and manage entries with CCRS and relevant Army Regional Points of Command (RPOC) as necessary.
- 3) Input required data to WESTMINSTER (RN/Sea Cadets) and BADER (RAFAC) as necessary (including event management in BADER for RAFAC).
- 4) Provide SATT (RAFAC) support as possible.
- 5) Support all Sea Cadet/VCC and RAFAC teams wishing to take part as necessary.
- 6) Approve Volunteer Allowance (VA) for CFAV as required (As a national event, 'Regional Cadet Bisley attracts VA for all entitled CFAV. CCRS will fund travel and subsistence for any non-entitled personnel supporting 'Regional Cadet Bisley' in a central capacity, e.g. Match Director).

d. Schools (CCFs). CCFs are requested to:

- 1) Submit applications for team entry to CCRS, using Annex C (MS Form). CCRS will advise appropriate CTT, as agreed by RC in the Cadet Bisley Planning Group (CBPG).
- 2) Provide CFAV/qualified adult support to their Regional event as possible, to be agreed with respective RPOC Shooting Officers/CTT.

e. RPOCs (Shooting Officers) and CTTs. CCRS is grateful to the RPOC and respective CTTs for their willingness, support and collaboration following the unavailability of Brunswick Camp, to deliver a series of common TR events designed to support the re-energising of the Cadet experience following the constraints of the Covid pandemic. While the geographical and weather conditions for each of these events may differ, it is essential that they all follow the same format in order to ensure that selection for a 'Cadet Bisley' Final in October is fair. The Match format over one and a half days has been so designed to allow each event to be non-residential. Each Region has the discretion to determine whether the Match is all Saturday and Sunday am, or Saturday pm and all Sunday, following CTTs' overview of entries by Schools (CCFs), ACF units, and respective Sea Cadet Corps (SCC) and Air Training Corps (ATC), and those wishing to take part. On current planning, and following range bookings by RPOC/CTTs (Priority 9 as confirmed by RC), 'Regional Cadet Bisley' weekends are as follows:

- 4-5 Sep. 42 Inf Bde/NW (Altcar); 11 Sigs Bde/W Midlands (Whittington).
- 11-12 Sep. 4 Inf Bde/North-East (Strensall); 11 Inf Bde/South-East (Pirbright); 51 Inf Bde/Scotland (Barrybudden).
- 18-19 Sep. 7 Inf Bde/East (Beckingham); 160 Inf Bde/Wales (SENTA); 1 Arty Bde/SW (Yoxter, 17-19 Sep)
- 2-3 Oct. LONDIST? (To be confirmed)
- 8-9 Oct. 38 Infe Bde/Northern Ireland (Ballykinlar).

The Channel Islands may or may not be able to run a TR weekend as a separate event, depending on whether the range has been cleared and authorised for use in time.

RPoC/CTT are requested to facilitate:

- 1) Coordination with CCRS of entries (CCRS will advise and agree entries with each RPoC/CTT following online entry to CCRS centrally through MS Forms.
- 2) Booking of Ranges (100, 300, 500 and 600).
- 3) Indentation for, and issue and control of ammunition (228 rounds per team, plus rounds for zeroing/practice as required – suggest total 280 per team).
- 4) Feeding.
- 5) Support as necessary to Senior Planning Officer (SPO), and RCO (being assigned through CBPG nominations process).
- 6) Armoury facilities (as required).
- 7) Accommodation (for assigned CFAV), if necessary.
- 8) Administration and logistic support, to include range safety vehicle(s), First Aid (including Med Mod 069 and stretcher).
- 9) Stats Room (or equivalent, with power).
- 10) WESTMINSTER event management.
- 11) Instructions to CCF, SSC, ACF and ATC units/teams as required.
- 12) Provision of the following personnel:
  - Chief Butts Officer (CBO).
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  - 1 x Safety Supervisor per four teams.
  - First Aider.
  - Ammunition NCO.
  - Stats team (x 2 individuals).
  - Butt markers. (As a 'one-off', and in order to support and encourage Cadet butts markers, CCRS will pay £10 per marker per event).

f. CFAV. 'Regional Cadet Bisley' attracts Volunteer Allowance (VA) in support of this national event. Roles (some of which may be otherwise be covered by CTT regular staff), responsibilities and tasks include:

- 1) SPO. Senior Planning Officer, responsible to the Exercise Director, for the planning and oversight of his/her respective Regional event. Approval and sign-off of RASP/RSD.
- 2) RCO. RASP/RSD and 5010C. Range safety and conduct (as per NRA and local Range safety rules)).
- 3) Match Director. Appointed by CCRS to ensure that each match is fired in accordance with the Match Rules and Conditions. Senior arbitrator at respective event.
- 4) Chief Butts Officer (CBO). Responsible for the effective and efficient management of the butts and markers.
- 5) Stats Team. (x 2). Responsible for recording, collating and reporting match scores and results to CCRS, to be signed off by Match Director.
- 6) CFAV will also be responsible for squadding.
- 7) Safeguarding. This is particularly important in an environment where non-CFAV may be involved.

6. Administration and Logistic Support. (SERVICE SUPPORT) Each 'Regional Cadet Bisley' event will be administratively and logistically self-supporting, as agreed with HQ Regional Command (RC) Cadet Branch. Schools (CCF) and SCC/VCC and ATC cadets wishing to take part will be responsible

for their own administration and transport to and from the respective event venue. Cadet Support Group (CSG), as agreed with Comd CSG, will support the Final in October.

- a. Cadet Target Rifle (CTR) L81A2. Each match will be shot using the CTR. CCRS has a loan pool of 73 x CTR, which can be made available on a 'First Come, First Serve' basis to teams upon request to Mr Dafydd Marston, CCRS Shooting Manager, at [shooting.manager@ccrs.org.uk](mailto:shooting.manager@ccrs.org.uk).

7. Exercise Control and Communications. (COMMAND AND SIGNAL) 'Regional Cadet Bisley', comprising a series of Regional events kindly facilitated and hosted by HQ Army Regional Command (RC) and a Final at Bisley in October, is an officially recognised national training for Cadets.

- a. All events are to be registered on WESTMINSTER, BAMS and BADER as appropriate. (if not already).
- b. Applications for Team Entry are to be made as detailed in Annex A (paragraph 5), and using the online Entry Form (MS Forms) link

<https://forms.office.com/r/iURb5VG0wJ0>.

**NOTE: Deadline for entries is MONDAY 19 JULY 2021.**

- c. Each Regional event will have an appointed Match Director, SPO and RCO.
- d. CCRS Staff and Contact Details.

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List of Annexes:

- A. Match Conditions and Rules.
- B. Roles and Responsibilities Schematic.

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MSSC (for Capt Sea Cadets)

HQ RC (for ACOS Cadets)

HQ RAFAC (for COS)

All RPoC Shooting Officers and Comds CTT