



SURREY
Clay Pigeon Shooting Association
The National Governing Body for Clay Target Shooting in England



Discipline: English Sporting

English Sporting is one of the most popular disciplines in clay shooting. A typical event consists of 100 clays, shot over approx. 12 stands. Each Stand will have 1 or 2 traps and provide a variety of targets at various distances and heights such as rabbits, teals or crows, quartering away, incoming, overhead, crossing, looping birds.

The stand will indicate what the targets are, the order in which they will be thrown (or report or as a simultaneous pair) as well as how many - this is usually between 6 and 10. If you are first on the stand you can request to be shown the targets.

Events usually take place in a rural location, so it's always good to wear suitable clothing for rough ground and English outdoor weather conditions.

Are there any restrictions on cartridge load?

The maximum load is usually 28 gram with a shot size between 6.5 and 9. Some shooting grounds require you to use fibre wad only so it is best to check with the venue before travelling, however most shoots will have cartridges on sale.

Do I need to book in advanced?

For most English sporting event you are able to turn up on the day and shoot, however it is not always the case. Some shoots, especially in the winter, will put entrants into squads and pre-booking is advisable.

How much does it cost?

Prices vary but is usually between £35 and £40 depending on whether the event is registered, the ground; or if you participate as a competition entrant or birds only. Birds only, in a CPSA registered shoot, means your score will not be counted in any form of competition but your score will be registered.

How long does a round take?

A typical round of English Sporting will take approximately 2-3 hours, however this will depend on how popular the event is when you arrive.

How do I find out about upcoming events?

Any club registered with the CPSA will advertise both registered and non-registered events, details can be found on the CPSA website: <https://www.cpsa.co.uk>