ELIGIBILITY AND REGISTRATION

Everyone is invited!

Eligibility

Open to High School Seniors and younger that participate in the AIM, High School Clay Target League or Scholastic Clay Target Program student athletes and teams are invited to participate.

Tournament registration

Coaches will go to www.michigantrap.com and select “Fall Brawl” to register their participating athletes. No members can be added or changed after a team has submitted their roster. Please make sure all the information is correct and complete prior to submission.

Registration deadlines

All teams must register for participation in the Fall Brawl by September 1, 2026. No deadline extensions will be allowed.

August 9: Team registration opens.

September 1: Tournament registration closes.

September 8: Non-refundable payment of $50 per athlete due plus $7 Daily fees in the targets are to be registered (AIM or SCTP members) or any additional t-shirts ordered.

Participation fee

The MTA Fall Brawl Tournament participation fee is $50 per student athlete. The fee includes competition targets and event t-shirts. Those that would like their targets registered with the ATA, need to add an ATA number on the registration form and add $7 for daily fees.
Team payment – Registrants pay the $50 fee to the team and the team will pay the MTA. Team payments may be made via credit card, debit card, or via check payment.
Any participant or attendee who does not adhere to MTA rules will be disqualified and/or asked to leave the event. The event committee reserves the right to make alterations in, or amendments to these rules at any time without notice.

RULES

Please help make the MTA Fall Brawl Tournament a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone!

All student athletes, teams and spectators are invited to the MTA Fall Brawl Tournament.

All participants and spectators are required to adhere to all event rules and requirements included in the ATA/MTA's policies and procedures. Any participant or attendee who does not adhere to these rules will be disqualified and/or asked to leave the event. The event committee reserves the right to make alterations in, or amendments to these rules at any time without notice.

Competition Format

Student athletes shoot their assigned number of targets to compete in BOTH individual and team events.

Targets and Ammunition

Competition targets are included with the participation fee. All athletes will shoot 100 targets. All athletes are responsible for providing their own ammunition, which must adhere to gun club policies.

Voice-released targets will be used on all fields where applicable.

Individual Competition

All athletes will participate in the "High Gun" (highest number of targets hit) competitions in their corresponding classification. If a tiebreaker is required for any places, the longest reverse run of hit targets by the athletes will be used. The longest reverse run score will start from the last target and count backwards until a missed target is reached to determine the tiebreaker score. If there is a tie after the longest run is totaled, then a tie for that place is declared. If an athlete breaks "100", that athlete and coach need to come to the club house, and we will discuss what the tie breaking options are available.

Team Competition

A minimum of five athletes from the same team will compete. There is no maximum number of team members. The top five student athlete scores from a team will be used to determine the overall team

score. No squadding is required. If a tiebreaker is required for any places, will be by reverse team score by sub-event, then if needed, by the team member with the highest round score from each team will be used to break the tie, subsequent score comparisons will be used if the top score is tied.

Competition Guidelines

- Teams must supply their own scorekeepers and Range Safety Officers (RSO). If more details are needed, send me an email and I'll send more info.
- It is highly preferred that no person act in more than one official role (Coach, RSO, scorer) at any time. A coach should not act as a coach and RSO at the same time, or an RSO should not also act as scorer, etc., at the same time.
- Student athletes will shoot 50 targets on assigned field, and at assigned start time, then move one field to the west (away from the highway US 127) and shoot the remaining 50 targets.
- Athletes will shoot two consecutive rounds of 25 targets on each field.
- During each session of 50, student athletes should place the second box of shells on the 24-yard line, for easy accessibility after the first round has been completed.
- Squads cannot take a break between rounds during each session except to retrieve the second box of ammunition.
- Squads must be prepared to shoot immediately after the previous squad completes their round.
- Scoring disputes must be initiated by the student athlete and must be *before the shooter moves to the next post.*
- Coaching is not allowed while athletes are shooting.
- Coaches may not be on the field while athletes are shooting. Coaches must remain on the sidewalk.
- Coaches may not communicate with scorers during shooting.
- Coaches may aid special-needs student athletes that require assistance while shooting.

Round Completion

Scoresheets must be placed in tubes on the back of scorer stands, a score sheet runner will come by a pickup score sheet. The score sheets are **Not allowed to leave the scorers chair for any reason other than the score sheet runner**.

Practice Rounds:

Practice rounds are $8 per 25 targets. Practice traps will be open at 8:00am in front of the club house.

Camping is Available:

Camping reservations can be made at http://campspot.com/book/michigantrapshootingassociation

Suspension of Competition Due to Hazardous Weather Conditions

In the event of inclement weather before or during the Tournament, the MTA will make safety the first priority. When lightning is observed or thunder is heard, the event must be suspended. The occurrence of lightning or thunder is not subject to interpretation or discussion. Lightning is lightning; thunder is thunder.

Everyone will be asked to take shelter either inside of a building, shelter or vehicle. If, after lightning is seen, and it does not reoccur for 30 minutes, the event committee will review weather reports and the committee will decide if/or when the competition will resume.

Emergency Preparation

Coaches should bring emergency contact information for all their athletes for reference if needed

Coach Check-In

Coaches are required to check-in at the registration tables located in the clubhouse. Coaches will receive athlete event t-shirts for their entire team.

Athlete Check-In

Athletes need to check-in with their coaches near their assigned field(s) before their assigned times. Athletes DO NOT need to check-in with event staff.

Scheduled shooting times and field assignments

Specific time and field assignments for teams will be emailed to the head coach about one week before the tournament. Athletes will only be able to shoot during their team's scheduled time on their team's designated field(s). Teams should arrive at least one hour before their scheduled time to allow check-in, squadding, and setup. After the starting time for each day, all starting, and completion times are estimated. It is important to be prepared to shoot immediately after the previous team completes their round. No athlete registrations or substitutions are allowed at the event.

Squadding a Team

Coaches are provided with score sheets and a set of pre-printed student athlete name labels at check-in. Coaches must:

1. Apply labels on the score sheets for each preferred squad.

Range Safety Officials (RSO)

Each team will provide a Range Safety Officer for the event. Team RSOs are responsible for ensuring that athletes and teams safely follow all policies and procedures. In addition, Team RSOs will ensure that athletes and teams shoot at their scheduled time and field in a timely manner.

The MTA will have Master Range Safety Officers (RSOs) at the event to oversee athlete and spectator safety. Everyone is expected to comply with all instructions of all RSOs.

In the event of a safety issue, Team RSOs are to take action to correct any safety concerns and notify a Master RSO. Master RSOs have final say in all safety matters.

Scoring

Teams are responsible to bring a scorer for the event. Scorers **must** follow the scoring directions found on the clipboard used for scoring. Failure to adhere to scoring instructions may result in score adjustments by event staff. Event staff scoring decisions are final.
Scores are recorded on the pre-squadded scoring sheet and tallied in the clubhouse. Scores will be posted on scoreboards and will be on the MTA website after the tournament as the MTA does not have the availability to post scores in real time.

Scores are recounted by event officials to ensure accuracy. Mismarked or illegible scoring sheets are considered a ‘lost target’ by event staff.

The only time a round score may be disputed is on the field immediately after a scorer has announced a lost target. All scores are final upon completion of the post.

Award Ceremony

An award ceremony will be held at the completion of the event. Please come by the clubhouse and awards will be given out after the scores are calculated to determine trophy winners. **No trophies will be mailed**.

The following awards will be awarded for event competition:

- Team – Champion, Runner-up, Class AA, Class A, Class B, Class C and Class D
- Individual- High Female Senior, High Male Senior and High Rookie
- Individual- Champion, Runner-up
- Class AA 1st – 3rd
- Class A 1st – 3rd
- Class B 1st – 3rd
- Class C 1st – 3rd
- Class D 1st – 3rd

  Trophies for Classes both team and individual scores will be divided into five classes- the top 20% of scores into Class AA, the next 20% of scores into Class A, the next 20% of scores into Class B, the next 20% of scores into Class C and the lowest 20% of scores into Class D. (That means, for example, if we have 150 teams, the 121st score will win Class D).

Rookie is defined as a new shooter, new to shooting.

Spectator Area, Tents, and Chairs

Any and all spectators are welcomed to attend the event. Team setups including tents and chairs are allowed BEHIND the field sidewalk.

Vehicles are temporarily allowed to drive to the spectator and assigned field area prior to competition to unload gear. There is **NO PARKING IN THE CAMPGROUND,** park in designated parking areas only. The area in front of the spectator sidewalk must remain clear at all times for event officials and maintenance vehicles. There is **NO PARKING** on the Trap Line. There is no cost for spectators and parking is free.

Food and Beverages

Food and non-alcoholic beverages can be brought to the event or purchased on event grounds and consumed in spectator or camping areas. Grills are only allowed to be used in designated parking or camping areas, so the smoke is not disruptive to spectators and participants.

Pets

Friendly, obedient and socialized pets are permitted at the event. Pet owners who bring their pet are at their own risk and agree to accept full responsibility for any physical damage or personal injury caused by the owner's pet or to the pet while on the property. Pets brought to the event must be

current on all vaccines and must be able to provide proof of a current rabies vaccination upon request. Flexi-leads are not permitted. At all times, pets must be kept on a 6′ or shorter leash while on event property. As a responsible pet owner, please clean up after your pet.

For safety reasons, the owner of any pet showing aggression or disruptive behavior may be asked at any time to remove the animal from the event.

No Alcohol or Tobacco Use Allowed

Please refrain from the use of tobacco on event property during event hours.

Alcohol consumption is not allowed by any athlete, coach, parent, or spectator at any time during the event or awards ceremony.

Official Event T-Shirt

All participating athletes will receive an official event t-shirt as part of their paid registration fee. T-shirts may be purchased on the registration form and pickup at the event. The fee for extra t-shirts small – x-large $20, xx-large – 5x-large $25.

Parking

Ample on-site free parking is available to all participants.

Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (Drone) Use

Drone use is not allowed on event property without prior written approval from event officials. Approved use of a drone must fully comply with all Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) requirements and guidelines as well as any other applicable laws.

Thank you!

This event is possible because of the dedication of coaches, assistants, schools, parents, student athletes and spectators that make it a competitive, enjoyable and safe experience.

All rules are subject to change prior to the event without notice.