

# 'MASTER OF 2 KM+' ELR EVENT

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Following on from the huge success of the record-breaking 2018 Bokpoort 'King of 2 km' ELR event, Impact Xtreme Shooting is proud to announce the next ELR event to kick-off the 2019 season, namely 'Master of 2 km+' (MO2K+) at Moreson Ranch near Vrede in the Free State from 15 to 16 March.

The reason behind the 'Master of 2 km+' name (with the emphasis on the '+') is because we hope to gradually increase the target distances based on previous shooting performances. We want competitors to progress in skill and equipment set-up towards the two-mile (3.2 km) mark, which is one of our main milestones.

A decision was taken to adopt match rules and shoot format to closely resemble similar international events in Europe and the US. This will ensure that all our shoots subscribe to an international standard, with the main aim of attracting visiting international shooters, as well as to equip our local shooters to integrate easily into international ELR competitions.

## OUR MANDATE IS TO PROMOTE AND GROW ELR IN SOUTH AFRICA

### GROWING ELR IN SA

However, keeping in line with our main mandate of promoting and growing ELR in Southern Africa, we have altered a few rules. An example is the maximum calibre requirement, which internationally is 338AI/338 Edge (no 338 Snipe-Tac allowed). The maximum calibre we allow is 50BMG.

Secondly, the number of targets in the international finals is three, whereas we employ four. Thirdly, the largest difference is that, internationally, if you fail to qualify for the finals, your shooting is over for the event, and you become an envious spectator.

### UP-AND-COMING SHOOTERS

In our events, once the finals have been concluded, the range is re-opened to give non-qualifying competitors the opportunity to engage the course under the same match rules as the finalists. This allows up-and-coming shooters to share in the experience of being in the finals, and to be able to engage targets set out at much further distances than the qualifying stage targets.

The format of the shoot will consist of a Day 1 Qualification (1 200 m to 1 800 m) and Day 2 Finals (1 600 m to 2 300 m). For the qualifying stage shooters, will have five minutes to set up, and 20 minutes to complete their five-target string. A single round will be fired at the Cold Bore Target; a successful hit will accrue bonus points.

### ELIMINATION TARGETS

Following this, the elimination targets begin. Five shots will be taken on targets one through four. A failure to hit any (excluding the Cold Bore) target within the allotted number of rounds will mean elimination. The top-scoring teams will advance to the finals.

In the finals, shooters will have five minutes to set up, and 15 minutes to complete their four-target string. Time permitting, the shooter must fire a minimum of five shots, and hit the target at least once in order to advance to the next target. Hits after the fifth shot will allow progression to the next target, but no points will be awarded.

### FEATURE-PACKED WEBSITE

We launched Impact Xtreme's website at <https://impactxs.co.za> in January. Important features include online registration and payment, and an annual club membership offering packed with exclusive

benefits and opportunities, as well as a 'become a sponsor' section showcasing various ways to become involved.

Another neat feature of the website is past shoot scores and analytics. In the near future, we look forward to an Impact Xtreme smartphone app to give you even easier access to the website features, upcoming shoot information, and much more.

An exciting 2019 awaits us! Let's set some new records, forge new partnerships, and support local suppliers and manufacturers. Above all, let us enjoy the camaraderie of like-minded people who share the precision addiction.



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