



Tuesday, 1 February 2022

To S&T,

Re: VRA change to SSR's

As you may have seen, the VRA recently released a statement to their members allowing them to shoot any projectile up to 156gn. This was to be in effect for 12 months.

The NRAA Chair and Vice Chairperson have met with VRA to discuss the implications of the above and are working through a solution to ensure their members are still fully covered to participate in our sport.

This has opened up a discussion around the legality of the directive from VRA and the shortages of projectiles. We would like to address these individually and reassure you the board has our sport's best interest in the forefront of our discussions.

VRA Change to SSR's

The implications of the VRA's decision were discussed at length by the board and we understand your concerns. The advice from the VRA to its members is in direct conflict to the NRAA Constitution which outlines that the NRAA mandates the Standard Shooting Rules for our Members. Abiding by this requirement is important to ensure that all members have a fair and equal playing field, that all participants in our sport be covered by the insurance provided by the NRAA and that Range approval requirements are met.

After discussions with the VRA Chairman and Vice Chairman we have been made aware of the VRA's situation and the reasons for the decision. We have been able to source a quantity of projectiles from the S&T that had stock on hand to ensure that VRA members are able to participate in the VRA Queens and National Teams Matches.

The VRA have agreed to repeal their decision and it was agreed by both parties that due to members already having invested in non-approved projectiles, they be allowed to use these for Club and VRA prize meetings until the 1st July 2022.

We would like to thank the VRA for working collaboratively with the NRAA to ensure a positive outcome.

Projectiles

As most will be aware, the NRAA had flagged the issue of component shortages at the members Forum 2020 and have been working tirelessly on sourcing projectiles and primers for the members. The long lead times for the projectiles being ordered to shipment date have been a hindrance to supply. Currently the NRAA are awaiting on a shipment of 360,000 155gn, 20,000 6.5 140g and 40,000 80gn Sierra projectiles that are due to land at the end of February. This is part of an ongoing delivery of 1 million projectiles that were ordered in March 2020, which include 6, 6.5 and 7mm projectiles to ensure that our F Class members can continue to shoot.

The Berger 155.5 projectile shipment information is unavailable at this time, QRA are doing everything they can to ensure supply.



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Primers

Similar to the projectiles shortages, Primers are now becoming scarce. NRAA placed an order last year for 1 million small and large RWS primers, we hope to see these towards the last quarter of this year.

In closing, communication is key for us all, please reach out to NRAA at any time for information on any of the above to ensure that as with VRA we can assist before decisions are made that affect the membership.

NRAA Projectile and Ammunition Sales Jan 2020 – Jan 2022

Type	S2155 Sierra Proj	S2156 155gn Sierra Proj (500)	Sierra 30cal 155g HPBT Palma	30416 Berger 155.5gn FB (100)	30716 Berger 155.5g FB 500 Box	4HL7063 Lapua .308 155 1000	Lapua 308 155g Scenar Proj	.308 Sierra Thales Ammo	30408 Berger 155gn VLD Proj	30426 Berger 155gn Hybrid	30726 Berger 155g Hybrid (500)	Assoc Total	Member (as at AGM report)
State													
ACT	1,000	25,000	15,600	5,800	43,500			52,320		2,500	1,000	146,720	168
NQRA	10,000	100,000		11,500	15,500	5,000		3,840		5,000	1,500	152,340	257
NSW		5,000		32,500	135,000	50,000	3,200	154,080	14,000	22,000	6,000	421,780	1667
NTRA				500	7,000			14,400			500	22,400	47
SARA	20,000	32,000	25,200	23,000	66,000	20,000	5,000	8,640			1,000	200,840	418
TRA		4,000		500	3,000	5,000		9,600		6,500	500	29,100	105
VRA		49,500	2,400	17,500	75,500	5,000		18,240	5,000	6,800	2,000	164,940	747
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WARA		53,000	24,000	42,000	126,000	60,000		69,120		25,000	9,000	408,120	647
QRA		50,000	15,600	90,900	228,000	60,000		61,800		64,800	203,500	774,600	1507
Total	31,000	318,500	82,800	224,200	699,500	200,000	8,200	380,040	19,000	132,600	225,000		

Total Sales

Projectiles: 2,320,840

Ammunition: 380,040



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