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To: ATA Gun Clubs

Dear Gun Club Operators:

The targets at the last Grand were carefully set and much time was spent judging the conformity of the target presentation, for all clay target events, to the ATA Official Rules. After several hours of testing the XX-doubles finger provided by Pat-Trap, the doubles presentation was close to the minimum width but the Executive Committee was unanimous in their determination that the presentation did not quite meet the ATA Official Rule requirements. Pat-Trap has worked with the Executive Committee to throw the very best presentation of targets.

The XX fingers have been removed and a new style finger has been provided by Pat-Trap for use at the WSRC. This new style finger, provided by Pat-Trap, provides a slightly wider presentation of doubles targets and has been determined to be in conformance with the ATA Official Rules. By utilizing the new style finger, club management and target setters will be able to more clearly enforce the ATA Official Rules at all ATA shoots.

Pat-Trap, Inc. has informed the ATA Executive Committee that they will provide instructions on how to modify the XX finger or will trade old fingers for new ones. By January 1, 2007, ATA clubs, presently using the XX-doubles finger, must make the modification (as directed by Pat-Trap) or install new doubles fingers. ATA gun clubs must continue to throw targets for all ATA registered events that conform to ATA Official Rules. Any ATA club found to be in violation of ATA Official Rules, including this announcement, will risk being, or will be, penalized by having all such registered targets voided and deleted from the official record.

All doubles fingers, original equipment or any after market finger, shall throw doubles targets that clearly conform to the ATA rule book. Enforcing all the rules provides fairness and protects the integrity of our sport. The ATA Executive Committee wishes to note the cooperation and professionalism shown by Pat-Trap in resolving this issue in the best interests of the sport of trapshooting.

Thank you for your support in our lifetime recreational sport.

Sincerely,

ATA Executive Committee

Enclosure (1)

MODIFYING
"XX" Doubles finger

When installing the XX Doubles Finger check to make sure that leg is contacting the Throw Plate surface. If it is not then remove the finger from the machine and bend down slightly at the opposite end of the finger near the end of the fold.

