

**NATIONAL MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**  
**SERVICE PISTOL and RIFLE MATCH 2020**

The 2020 National Service Pistol and Rifle Match will be held between 1 March 2020 and 1 February 2021. Registration forms must be submitted between 1 March and 1 February (this year only extended due to the Covid-19 Pandemic) along with the registration fee of \$10 per competitor per class, classes being Pistol and Rifle. \$10 will cover your entry fee for all scores in Pistol and a separate \$10 will cover you for all scores in Rifle, including Teams, and the open class for pistol. Please send Pistol and Rifle Team registration and scores along with the fees to:

**Joseph Kier, National Marksmanship Chairman**  
**2201 Rebecca Drive Hatfield, PA 19440**

All checks must be made payable to **Marine Corps League National Headquarters**. Registration fees submitted in advance of the scores will not be refunded if a Detachment, Unit or Individual fails to fire or return the scores postmarked 1 February. The team's registration form(s) must be typed or legibly printed with the competitor's full legal name using no nick names or aliases. The scores sheets must be verified and signed by a Commandant or Marksmanship Team Captain to certify the match scores are true and correct.

**Team Composition**

- Both Pistol and Rifle match teams must consist of four (4) or five (5) competitors.
  - A team consisting of four (4) competitors will receive a blind score.
  - A blind score will be calculated as an average from the registered marksmen and will be assigned to the teams as the fifth score.
- Entries of three or less are eligible for individual awards and not eligible for team awards.
- Teams may be from a Marine Corps League Detachment or Department, a M.O.D.D Pound or Pack, a Reserve Unit, an Active-Duty Unit or a Young Marines Unit.
- More than one team may be entered from a Detachment, Department, Pound, Pack or Unit.
- All competitors on a team must be from the same Det., Dept, Pound, Pack or Unit.
- A competitor cannot be a member of more than one team.
- An Active or Reserve competitor can fire on a Marine Corps League/MODD team if he or she is a member of the League.
- Young Marines Units may enter National Postal Rifle Match under Young Marines rules.

## **Team and Individual Classifications**

- Both Pistol and Rifle teams will be classified as High Master, Master, Expert, Sharpshooter, or Marksman according to the competitors on the team.
- Teams are classified by calculating the team average based on the classification of each firing member of the team. To calculate the team's average a numeric representation of each classification is used, and the team classification is the sum of the team member's classifications divided by the number of firing members of the team. Any decimals of .5 and greater will place the team in the next higher class.

High Master . . . . .5

Master . . . . . 4

Expert . . . . . 3

Sharpshooter . . . . . 2

Marksman . . . . . 1

- First time competitors that are not NRA Conventional Pistol or High-power Rifle classified will be assigned a Master classification which will be used for the current match and will be reclassified after the current year's match to their new Marine Corps League Classification.
- Competitors that have been classified by the NRA will have that classification honored upon verification of their classification card. Please enclose a photocopy copy of your classification card.

## **General Match Information**

- The range length for the pistol match must be 25 Yards.
- The range length for the rifle match must be shot at 100 or 200 yards.
- For any condition where these specific rules do not cover, refer to CMP Match Rules. A .pdf copy can be downloaded at the CMP website. Use the link to High-power rifle and pistol competition rules. [http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/ Rifle Match](http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/)

## **Rifle Course of Fire**

The following rifles or their civilian models are examples of acceptable weapons. M1903 Springfield, M1A/M14, AR-15/M-16 any length barrel up to 20" any type of stock that does not provide extra support, M1 Garand

- 3 Sights', 3 Minutes, Any Position
- 10 Rounds, 10 Minutes, Slow Fire Prone
- 10 Rounds, 10 Minutes, Slow Fire Sitting
- 10 Rounds, 10 Minutes, Slow Fire Kneeling
- 10 Rounds, 10 Minutes, Slow Fire Standing

## **Rifle Course of Fire (con't)**

- Target: NRA SR 200 yd Target (10 X) or Army 5 V target (adjusted classifications listed below) if fired at 200 yards or the NRA SR-1 target (10 X) if fired at 100 yards
- If competitor cannot assume a specific position they may elect to fire in the next progressive position.
- Disabled competitors enter in disabled class and may fire any safe position they can assume or seated in a chair.
- No external modifications allowed to the stock and barrel.
- Military iron sights only, but dimensions may vary of rear sight aperture & front sight blade. Scopes attached to the rifle are not permitted.
- Rounds will be single loaded only.
- Slings can be used for support in all positions.

## **Pistol Course of Fire**

- The following pistols or their civilian models are acceptable. Model 1911 .45 ACP style Any manufacturer (.45 cal. only); Beretta FS 92 or M 9 (9 mm only), .38 caliber six-cylinder revolvers, New edition Glock 19 (9 mm) only.
- Any type of internal modification is acceptable except for trigger pull which must meet or exceed the minimum four (4) pound trigger pull as designated by the U.S. Armed Forces.
- Only standard metallic sights can be used and no other sighting or aiming device such as lasers, red dots, etc. can be attached to the pistol in any manner.
- Standard grips must not exceed one and a half (1 1/2) inches and cannot have finger groves or other non-standard military design.
- A two-hand grip is acceptable for both the Pistol Match and the Open Pistol Match.
- Two stages with each stage containing one string of slow fire, two strings of timed fire and two strings of rapid fire.
- 10 Rounds, 10 minutes Slow Fire
- Two (2) five-round strings, 20 Seconds, Timed Fire
- Two (2) five-round strings, 10 Seconds, Rapid-Fire • There will be a pause between the Timed and Rapid-Fire strings for reloading.
- Alibis apply only to the timed and rapid-fire strings.
- A competitor can claim only one alibi in both strings of fire for a stage
- A competitor can only fire one alibi string consisting of the string with the fewest shots down range at the time of the alibi.
- Target: Standard NRA B-8 25-yard pistol target.

## **Pistol Open Course of Fire**

- The open pistol match is designed to give shooters access to the Postal Match who do not own or have access to military type pistols required for the Service Pistol Match.
- Open Match pistols may be revolver or semi-automatic type handgun larger than .22 caliber and smaller than .50 caliber.
- Only standard metallic sights can be used and no other sighting or aiming device such as lasers, red dots, etc. can be attached to the pistol in any manner.
- The Open Pistol Match is an identical course of fire and scoring to the service pistol course listed above.

**RIFLE TARGETS** Special modified rifle targets can be purchased so that the rifle match can be fired from the 100-yard line. (200 yard=NRA SR, 100 yards=NRA SR-1). The Army 5 V target is a less expensive target used at the 200 yd line and is the same size bullseye as the NRA SR 200 the scoring is 0-200 with V's as a tie breaker, the classifications for 5 V targets are multiplied by 5 for teams and as follows for individuals.

### **INDIVIDUAL RIFLE 5 V TARGET**

200-195 High Master    135-154 Sharpshooter

175-194 Master        0-134 Marksman

155-174 Expert

### **INDIVIDUAL PISTOL**

High Master 570--600

Master Class 500--569

Expert Class 400--499

Sharpshooter Class 300--399

Marksmanship Class 0--299

### **INDIVIDUAL RIFLE**

High Master 360--400

Master Class 320--359

Expert Class 240--319

Sharpshooter Class 200--239

Marksman Class 0--199

### **TEAM PISTOL**

High Master 2850--3000

Master Class 2500--2849

Expert Class 2000--2499

Sharpshooter Class 1500--1999

Marksman Class 0--1499

### **TEAM RIFLE**

High Master 1800--2000

Master Class 1600--1799

Expert Class 1200--1599

Sharpshooter Class 1000--1199

Marksman Class 0--999

**PISTOL TARGETS** The pistol targets to be used are the standard B-8 25-yard match targets as described in the National Pistol Rules. They are 10 X target with an X ring, 10 ring, and 9 rings within the "Bullseye." Detachments and Units that wish to obtain a catalog of official pistol and rifle targets may contact the following company or any company of their choice.

National Target Company Fax (301) 770-7892 PO Box 2152 Phone (800)-827-7060 Rockville, MD. 20847-2152

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**TOPICS OF FUTURE DISCUSSION**

- Elimination of the kneeling position in the Rifle Course of fire, 5 rounds would be added to the sitting and prone positions.
- Addition of a 4 X scope course of fire on the rifle course, like what the USMC uses today.
- Addition of a .22 caliber pistol rim fire only course of fire.

Any input on these above topics is welcome, please contact me (Joe Kier) to give some input.