

**NATIONAL MARINE CORPS LEAGUE**  
**POSTAL PISTOL and RIFLE MATCH 2023**

**ALL SHOOTERS ARE INDIVIDUAL, TEAMS ARE NOT EXTRA THEY ARE INCLUDED**

The 2023 National Service Postal Pistol Match and the Postal Rifle Match will be held between 1 March 2023 and 1 February 2024. All shooting should be done between those dates. Registration forms must be submitted between 1 March 2023 and 1 February 2024 along with the registration fee of \$10 per competitor per class, classes being Service Pistol, Service Rifle. Open Pistol, Optics Rifle, .22 LR Pistol and Rifle will be an extra \$10 per shooter for all those classes if the shooter wishes to shoot in them all. This will cover all the score cards for all the extra rifle and pistol score cards including teams. One example would be if a shooter is shooting Service Rifle individual/team, Optics Rifle, .22 LR Caliber Rifle, Service Pistol individual/team, Open Pistol individual/team, and .22 LR Caliber Pistol would pay \$40.00. This will cover this shooter for all his/her shooting including all team entries. Please send Pistol and Rifle Team registration and scores along with the fees to:

**PHIL ZAMORA, NATIONAL MARKSMANSHIP CHAIRMAN**  
**412 W. HARRIS ST.**  
**CHARLOTTE, MICHIGAN 48813-1437**

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 2024. 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. In the effort to compile a more complete Email list please put as many emails as you have for the members of your team.

**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 is 25 Yards. **It may be shot at 50 Ft. using an NRA B-5 Target only.**
- The range length for the rifle match must be shot at 100 or 200 yards.

**The range length for the .22 LR Caliber rifle match must be shot at 50 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%20Match)

## **Service/Optics/.22 LR Rifle Course of Fire**

The following rifles or their civilian models are examples of acceptable weapons. M1903 Springfield, M1 Garand,

M1A/M14, AR-15/M-16 any length barrels up to 20" any type of stock that does not provide extra support.

- 3 Sights', 3 Minutes, Any Position
- 15 Rounds, 15 Minutes, Slow Fire Prone
- 15 Rounds, 15 Minutes, Slow Fire Sitting
- 10 Rounds, 10 Minutes, Slow Fire Standing (*The Kneeling position may be used for any stage except for Standing*).

## **Service/Optics/.22 LR Rifle Course of Fire (Cont.)**

- 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, for the service match, but dimensions may vary of rear sight aperture & front sight blade. Scopes attached to the rifle are not permitted for the service match.
- Rounds will be single loaded only.
- Slings can be used for support in all positions.
- The Optics class will be shot on the same course, targets, and distance.
- The Optics will be a 4 X power magnification and must be shot on a fixed 4 X if a 1 X to 4 X power scope is used it must be kept on the 4 X Magnification setting.
- The other new class will be the .22 caliber class, in which the rifle must be held and or supported in the same manner as the service rifle. The course of fire will be the same except for the range will be 50 yards and shot on the SR-1 NRA rifle target.

## **Service 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. There are many new additions see attachment.
- 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 or **NRA B-5 target for 50 Ft range only.**

## Pistol Open/.22 LR 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. The .22 LR match is so that shooter can use their rimfire pistols, as they are used in NRA matches.
- Open Match pistols may be revolver or semi-automatic type handgun larger than .22 caliber and smaller than .50 caliber. The .22 LR Caliber Match is rimfire .22 LR round only.
- 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/.22 LR 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.

**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", or the NRA 50-foot Target B-5 used at the 50 ft range only. 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.

## CLASSIFICATIONS

### INDIVIDUAL RIFLE 5 V TARGET (multiply by 5 for teams)

200-195 High Master 175-194 Master 155-174 Expert 135-154 Sharpshooter 0-134 Marksman

### 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

## COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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