

PISTOL AUSTRALIA

Guide for Range Officers

PA 25M BLACK POWDER - PRECISION STAGE

Before the competition

- 'NO SMOKING' signs displayed (mandatory)
- Eye protection (mandatory for all)
- · Hearing protection
- Stopwatch
- Targets
- Patches
- Score sheets (Registers) Note for competitions, targets are scored in the Classification Office
- Be familiar with operation of the timer

Check range is clear of personnel

"PREPARATION TIME BEGINS NOW"

- Start stopwatch
- Check that all personnel are wearing eye protection (mandatory)
- Firing Caps is permitted <u>only</u> after the Range Officer has checked that there is no exposed powder and given permission.

After 10 (ten) minutes, stop stopwatch, and call...

"SIGHTING SERIES ... START"

Start stopwatch

After 12 (twelve) minutes, stop stopwatch, and call...

"STOP...UNLOAD"

Clear all pistols

 Shooters who wish to clean a pistol must disassemble the pistol and have it inspected by the Range Officer. The pistol must remain obviously disassembled until next command to 'load and fire'

Allow scoring personnel forward

After all personnel have returned

"FIRST (second, third, fourth) SERIES ... START"

Start stopwatch

After 12 minutes, stop stopwatch, and call...

"STOP ... UNLOAD"

Clear all pistols

 Shooters who wish to clean a pistol must disassemble the pistol and have it inspected by the Range Officer. The pistol must remain obviously disassembled until next command to 'load and fire'.

Allow scoring personnel forward+

For subsequent series, repeat last two steps, as above.

At the end of the relav

Clear all pistols for casing and removal

Complete Range Report, and forward to Classification Office

SAFETY

- 'NO SMOKING' signs must be displayed and enforced. There is to be NO smoking or naked flames on a Black Powder range.
- All personnel must wear eye protection from the time PREPARATION TIME is announced, until the completion of the stage.
- For a misfire (i.e. the hammer falls without discharge) for whatever reason, the shooter must wait FIVE seconds with the revolver in a safe direction before re-cocking.
- Extra percussion caps must be covered while firing is in progress.
- Loaded chambers must be greased.
- In all cases, the Range Officer must clear the pistol before it may be removed from the firing line.
- Loading flasks and loading machines must be examined and approved by Equipment Control before use.
- It is recommended that any additional Black Powder be removed from the firing line before a shooter caps the revolver.

Targets

ISSF 25/50m Precision Target at 25m



Squadding

Alternate bays **only**, unless full length, solid partitions as per PA Black Powder Rules are used.

Course of Fire

Sighting series

1 series of 5-shots in 12 mins

Competition series

4 series of 5-shots in 12 mins

