

STATE OF CALIFORNIA - MILITARY DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS, CALIFORNIA CADET CORPS

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POSTAL MARKSMANSHIP COMPETITION

- **1. GENERAL:** HQs, CACC will hold the California Cadet Corps 2020 Marksmanship Competition as a *postal match* due to constraints on travel during the Covid Pandemic.
- **2. PARTICIPATION:** All units are invited to compete, and we are expanding the competition to individuals as well. Categories are simplified into one division that may include any current CACC Cadets (in lieu of junior and senior divisions), and two categories: .22 Caliber Rifle and Air Rifle. Teams may fire together, if such activity is allowed under county Covid restrictions, or may fire independently of each other as long as rules listed in this Circular are followed. A CACC adult must certify that rules were followed and that targets submitted are the result of valid shooting.
- **3. REGISTRATION:** Teams and individuals should register by emailing Operations@cacadets.org. Include the following information in the email:
 - a. Team or Individual
 - b. Full Name and Rank of all Firers
 - c. Type of Weapon
 - d. Unit (include Bn # and School) and Brigade
 - e. Point of Contact: Supervisory Commandant & Contact Information

4. REQUIREMENTS:

- a. Members of the California Cadet Corps must have the written permission of their parents or legal guardian prior to engaging in competitive rifle marksmanship and the State Championship Smallbore Rifle Matches and/or State Championship Air Rifle Matches. See CACC Form 37 on the HQ CACC website.
- b. Members of the California Cadet Corps must complete the Weapons Safety Course and Marksmanship Fundamentals Course as presented in the Cadet Corps Curriculum strand M13 prior to engaging in the Competitive Rifle Marksmanship program.
- c. Failure of any member of the California Cadet Corps in any matter pertaining to safety, fair play, sportsmanship and personal conduct constitutes grounds for disqualification from any California Cadet Corps, NRA or CMP sanctioned rifle match while participating as a member of the California Cadet Corps.
- d. All personnel participating in the postal match, including firers, coaches, commandants and onlookers will abide by local requirements for mask wear, social distancing, and sanitation.
- e. Enter scores on the CACC Form 35 (one line for each target). It is recommended that you keep a copy of the targets and the CACC Form 35. Send all the targets and the CACC Form 35 to SFC Dionne at HQ CACC (address is in the letterhead above). All material must be received by SFC Dionne by 31 March 2021.

5. RIFLE MATCH RULES:

- a. One or more of the following disinterested individuals must witness firing of a Rifle Match and endorse score cards certifying that the match was conducted under current rules and regulations and that the scores submitted are correct:
 - 1) Brigade Advisor
 - 2) Commandant of Cadets from another unit
 - 3) An NRA or CMP Referee
 - 4) Other disinterested individuals authorized by HQ CACC prior to conducting the match
 - b. The following special rules will apply in this Match:

- 1) Only rifles equipped with metallic sights as defined in NRA Rule 3.7 or as defined in National Standard Three Position Air Rifle Rules 4.3 shall be used
 - 2) Only standard velocity ammunition shall be used.
- 3) Entries on CACC Form 35, Official Scorecard, will be limited to five cadets per team. Units may have as many teams as they can put together. The teams will be designated upon registration (not after shooting has taken place). Alternates will be automatically declared as individual firers.
- 4) All cadets who are not members of a school cadet rifle team may apply to compete in this Postal Match if their school allows marksmanship participation. If a school official is not available to certify the firing/score, a range official at a certified range may do so.
- 5) Scores will be entered on the CACC Form 35. Number the targets manually and record the numbers on the Form 35. Fill in the scores for P=Prone, OH=Standing, K=Kneeling, and Total.
- 6) Claims concerning misplaced sighting shots will not be allowed after a competitor has fired more than one shot on the target. The Officer-in-Charge (OIC) of the match or his designated representative must be notified of any misplaced sighting shot which might be mistaken for a record shot.
- 7) Each competitor will be responsible for clearly recording his/her <u>name</u>, <u>rank</u>, <u>school</u>, <u>position</u> (prone/standing/kneeling) and date on his/her target.
- 8) Decisions of ties in the event that individuals or teams fire the same numerical score over the entire course will be ranked by applying the following in the order listed:
 - By the highest-ranking score in the Standing Position. If still tied:
 - By the highest-ranking score in the Kneeling Position. If still tied:
 - By the highest-ranking score in the Prone Position. If still tied:
 - By the greatest total number of Center Shots.
- 9) Challenges may be made by the team coach, team captain, or in case of individual matches, by the competitor. Challenges will be made to the OIC of the match or his designated representative. The competitor and/or the team captain or team coach may be present via Teams when a target is rechecked. Rechecks will be made by the OIC or his designated representative, providing he has not previously scored or checked the target.
- 10) CR 3-17 requirement for Cadets to have earned at least a Marksman Qualification Badge to be eligible to compete at the State Rifle Matches is waived for this match.
- 11) The course of fire for this match is a 3 \times 10 course of fire (10 shots in each position: prone, standing and kneeling, fired in that order).
 - 12) For .22 cal firing, A-36 targets will be used (we're not issuing targets from HQ CACC) at 50 feet.
 - 13) For air rifles, the ISSF 10-meter target will be used at 10 meters.
- 14) Each firer will shoot the course of fire completely. The firer has only one attempt to fire their best score. It must be complete with prone, standing, and kneeling targets.
- 15) For smallbore rifle courses, NRA Rules should be followed. They are available online at nra-smallbore-rifle-rules.pdf. One minute shall be permitted per shot for prone and kneeling, and 90 seconds per shot for standing, with five minutes allowed for position and target change between positions. Total time for a course of fire for smallbore rifles is 45 minutes. This falls under Section 8 of the NRA Smallbore Rifle Rules.
- 16) For air rifles, CMP Rules should be followed. They are available online at Microsoft Word 2020-2022 3-PAR Rules v1.docx (thecmp.org). CMP uses a Preparation and Sighting Stage of 8 minutes, time for record fire of one minute per shot (90 seconds in the standing position), time for changing positions of five minutes, and five more minutes for sighting in the new position. This falls under Rule 5.3 of the CMP 3-Position Air Rifle Rules (2020-2022). Total time for a course of fire for air rifles is 63 minutes.
- 17) Time is not checked on each shot. The total time allotted per shot and position change is monitored. If all the firers complete the course of fire prior to the time running out, the range officer may move on to the next course of fire.
- 18) Each of the 30 shots yields a possible score of 10 points with a grand total possible for all three positions of 300 points.

- **6. AWARDS:** The following awards will be awarded:
- a. Governor Goodwin J. Knight Marksmanship Award (CR 1-1, para 2-14) to the three cadets firing the highest individual aggregate scores. Awards for both .22 cal and air rifle categories.
- b. Dion O'Sullivan Marksmanship Award (CR 1-1, para 2-28) to the three teams firing the highest team aggregate scores. Awards for both .22 cal and air rifle categories.
 - c. Marksmanship Training Ribbon (CR 1-1, para 2-63) to all individuals participating in this competition.
 - d. Qualification Badge (CR 3-17, para 1-7)
 - 1) Minimum score for marksman = 165 (55%)
 - 2) Minimum score for sharpshooter = 195 (65%)
 - 3) Minimum score for expert = 240 (80%)
- 7. UNIFORM: There is no uniform required for participants in this match.
- **8. COST:** There is no cost for participation other than that incurred locally for ammunition, targets, and range use.
- **9. PHOTOS:** Participants are asked to take photos for CACC historical purposes and send them to the HQ CACC S5 at kenneth.cookaskins@cacadets.org.
- 10. Point of Contact (POC) for this program is SFC Dustin Dionne at dustin.dionne@cacadets.org.

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