

Marksmanship Program

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SUMMARY of CHANGE

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Rifle Marksmanship Program

- * This change makes major updates and combines three formerly independent regulations: CR 3-17 (Rifle Marksmanship Qualification Program), CR 3-18 (Competitive Rifle Marksmanship, and CR 3-19 (State Smallbore Rifle Team). CR 3-18 and CR 3-19 are rescinded.
- * Defines the components of the marksmanship program
- * Offers use of facilities and rifles at Camp San Luis Obispo for schools during 10th Corps drills
- * Removes requirement for air rifles to be sporter models
- * Adjusts standards for qualification
- * Makes the Army marksmanship badges the standard for the Cadet Corps uniform
- * Clarifies wear of marksmanship badges between Senior and Junior Division qualification
- * Ends the use of preliminary matches
- * Changes the categories of teams/competitions fired at state matches
- * Encourages a training/certification requirement for marksmanship instructors
- * Provides requirements on marksmanship safety and marksmanship techniques

Rifle Marksmanship Program

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History. This regulation consolidates the former regulations on Marksmanship into one document. It rescinds CR 3-18 and 3-19, combining them into CR 3-17, with minor changes.

Summary. This regulation describes the Marksmanship training program within the brigades, regiments, and units of the California Cadet Corps (CACC).

Applicability. This regulation applies to all schools currently maintaining membership in the CACC.

Proponent and exception authority. The proponent of this regulation is the Executive Officer, CACC. The proponent has the authority to approve exceptions or waivers to this regulation that are consistent with controlling law and

Regulations. The proponent may delegate this approval authority, in writing, to a field-grade man-day staff officer or State Projects Officer. Activities or units may request a waiver to this regulation by providing full justification that includes a full analysis of the expected benefits. All waiver requests will be endorsed by the senior commandant officer of the requesting activity or unit and forwarded through their higher headquarters to the policy proponent.

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CHAPTER 1

Rifle Marksmanship Program

1-1. PURPOSE.

This chapter establishes the California Cadet Corps Rifle Marksmanship Program.

1-2. OBJECTIVE.

The objectives of the California Cadet Corps Rifle Marksmanship Qualification Program are for each individual cadet to:

- Develop marksmanship ability
- Learn and practice the safe handling of firearms
- Maintain marksmanship proficiency
- Prepare for competitive rifle marksmanship.

1-3. AUTHORITY.

a. Section 511 of the California Military and Veterans Code states, “A sufficient number of rifles suitable for drill purposes may be purchased by the board of high school trustees, board of education, board of directors or trustees of a college or community college, county superintendent of schools, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, or the Adjutant General out of any funds available and not otherwise appropriated.”

b. Section 512 of the California Military and Veterans Code states, “Target practice shall constitute a part of the instruction to be given to cadets. Members of the California Cadet Corps may engage in rifle matches and competitions conducted or held in this state or at any place in the United States. The Adjutant General may purchase and supply to each of the colleges, community colleges and high schools a sufficient number of Springfield or other efficient rifles for field target work and gallery practice and the ammunition and equipment therefore, as in his judgment is necessary for efficient rifle practice. A sufficient number of rifles suitable for field target work or gallery target firing and the ammunition and equipment therefore may be purchased by a board of high school trustees, board of education, board of directors or trustees of a college or community college, county superintendent of schools, or the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, out of any funds available therefore, and the governing body or governing officials of any high school, community college or college may purchase the necessary parts for and may repair any rifles acquired or furnished for the use of members of the California Cadet Corps. All target practice shall be under the supervision of the president, chief administrative officer, director or principal of the college, community college, or high school or such officer or officers as he or they may appoint. Competent members of the National Guard, State Military Reserve or Naval Militia may be detailed by the Adjutant General, with their consent, and upon request of the president, chief administrative officer, director or principal of the college, community college or high school as instructors of target practice in the California Cadet Corps. Such instructors while on duty at said college, community college or high school during target practice shall be under the immediate control and jurisdiction of the governing body of said college, community college or high school. The expenditures therefore may be paid out of the moneys appropriated for the maintenance of the California Cadet Corps.

c. Section 513 of the California Military and Veterans Code states in part that, “The Adjutant General may detail from the organizations of the National Guard, State Military Reserve, or Naval Militia, competent members thereof who shall perform duties on behalf of the California Cadet Corps as may be assigned to them or who shall act as training and rifle practice instructors for the California Cadet Corps. The Adjutant

General may provide for compensating the persons detailed for duty and service with the California Cadet Corps and the persons detailed to instruct the cadets in drill and target practice.”

d. Section 514 of the California Military and Veterans Code states in part that, “Whenever practicable members of the California Cadet Corps shall, under the supervision of the commandant of cadets, be permitted to shoot at target practice upon National Guard rifle ranges when not needed by the National Guard.

1-4. GENERAL.

a. The optional California Cadet Corps Marksmanship Program consists of the components listed below. They are generally conducted in order, though some may be skipped at the option of the instructor. Marksmanship is a subject some districts and schools ban, but may be pursued if allowed by relevant authorities.

- 1) Weapons Safety
- 2) Marksmanship Fundamentals
- 3) Familiarization Course (for each type of weapon)
- 4) Qualification Course
- 5) Competitions
- 6) National Competitions

b. Cadets must have written permission of their parent or legal guardian on file at the school to engage in marksmanship training each school year. See CACC Form 37 on the CACC website.

c. Cadets should demonstrate proficiency in basic marksmanship practices and positions.

d. Each individual cadet in schools authorized marksmanship training will complete the Safety Course and the Familiarization Course. Once a cadet is qualified in the Safety Course, the Familiarization Course may be fired.

e. Completion of the Familiarization Course will be annotated to the cadet’s service record.

f. Marksmanship Instructors are encouraged to use National Rifle Association (NRA) rules for smallbore rifle marksmanship and Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) rules for air rifle marksmanship, particularly in competition situations.

1-5. REQUIRED TRAINING

a. The following subjects will be covered in Weapons Safety Training. 100% score is required on the exam in order to proceed to weapons firing.

- 1) Rules for gun safety (muzzle, action, trigger)
- 2) Ten Commandments of Shooting Safety (see Appendix A)
- 3) Weapons Handling
- 4) Range Rules
- 5) Range Commands

b. The following fundamentals will be taught and practiced before a cadet advances to Rifle Familiarization or Qualification.

- 1) Firing Positions

- 2) Aiming
- 3) Breath Control
- 4) Trigger Squeeze

c. Marksmanship Instructor Training: Instructors and Coaches running CACC Marksmanship programs are encouraged to take the JROTC Online Marksmanship Instructor Certification Course offered by the CMP at <http://thecmp.org/training-tech/jmic-jrotc-marksmanship-instructor-course/>. If you have trouble registering, you can email sschoiwe@thecmp.org. Once registered you have access to all of the material. The CMP web page providing Coaching Resources is <https://thecmp.org/training-tech/coaching-resources/>.

1-5. CADET CORPS COURSES OF FIRE.

a. Prior to handling any weapon with ammunition, a cadet must have achieved 100% on the Weapons Safety Exam. The exam is provided as part of the Cadet Corps Marksmanship curriculum.

b. The Familiarization Course consists of five shots in any position (prone, kneeling, or standing) with one minute per shot time limit. Instructors are encouraged to have students (especially in Senior Division) fire five familiarization shots in each position. Sitting may be used in lieu of kneeling. If ammunition and time are available, familiarization may consist of more than five shots.

c. Qualification Courses are fired as follows:

1) Senior Division (cadets enrolled in grades 9 and above):

(a) The course for smallbore rifle shall consist of 30 shots, 10 each on prone, kneeling, and standing. The course for air rifle shall consist of 30 shots, 10 each on prone, standing, and kneeling, in that order.

(b) For smallbore rifle courses, NRA Rules should be followed. They are available on line, and are updated periodically. At the time of this regulation being written, 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.

(c) For air rifles, CMP Rules should be followed. They are available on line, and are updated periodically. 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 5.3.2 of the CMP 3-Position Air Rifle Rules (2018-2020). Total time for a course of fire for air rifles is 63 minutes.

(d) 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.

(e) Each of the 30 shots yields a possible score of 10 points with a grand total possible for all three positions of 300 points.

2) Junior Division (cadets enrolled in grades 8 and below). – Course shall consist of 30 shots from the prone unsupported position, with a time limit of 38 minutes and a possible score of 300 points. The same course of fire is used for smallbore and air rifles.

d. Rifles. Only smallbore rifles as defined in NRA Rule 3.2, “Any Rifle” (with metallic sights as defined in NRA Rule 3.7(a) or air rifles as defined in rule 4.2, Sporter Air Rifle, of the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules may be used for competition unless the competition circular specifically states otherwise. NOTE: using rifles that don’t qualify as sporter air rifles reduces the accuracy of fire and may make qualification more difficult for cadets.

e. Targets.

- (1) Smallbore rifles use
A-36 (Senior Division – smallbore),
A-17 (Junior Division – smallbore)
- (2) Air Rifles use the NC-AR10, Orion Scoring System, or ISSF 10-meter target with scoring rings or use either AR-1 Target
- (3) Verify type of target with current NRA or CMP Rulebooks for competitions
- (4) Paper or electronic targets are acceptable

f. Range. Ranges for smallbore rifles shall be 50 feet and must comply with NRA, and CAL-OSHA requirements for indoor or outdoor ranges. Ranges for air rifles must be 10 meters (32 feet, 9.7 inches) and must comply with rule 5.5 of the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules.

g. Ammunition. Only standard velocity ammunition may be used.

1-6. CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM.

a. The **Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP)** is a U.S. government-chartered program that promotes firearm safety training and rifle practice with special emphasis on youth. The CMP operates through a network of affiliated private organizations, shooting clubs, and state associations. The organizations, clubs, and associations offer firearms safety training and marksmanship courses as well as the opportunity for continued practice and competition.

b. CMP membership. California Cadet Corps units opting to participate in the marksmanship program may be affiliated with the Civilian Marksmanship Program if they are going to participate in marksmanship competitions outside the California Cadet Corps. Membership may be a single school, a group of schools, a regiment, or a brigade. If cadets are only firing to qualify and compete within Cadet Corps marksmanship competitions, membership in CMP is optional.

c. Contact Information. You can find out more information about the Civilian Marksmanship Program on their website at <http://www.thecmp.org>.

d. Name of CMP Clubs: California Cadet Corps units shall use the naming convention of “California Cadet Corps – Name of School(s), Regiment, or Brigade” when filling out the CMP Affiliation Application Form. California Cadet Corps clubs shall be in the “Junior Club” classification.

e. Limits on Marksmanship Programs: The CMP allows junior marksmanship programs for BB guns, air rifle, air pistol, 50-foot smallbore rifle, smallbore pistol, high-power rifle, metallic silhouette, and clay targets. Nothing in this regulation shall be intended to limit the scope of a CACC CMP team’s programs; however, the only awards presently offered by the CACC are limited to those courses of fire described in this regulation (50-foot smallbore rifle and 10-meter air rifle).

1-7. AWARDS. Cadets who qualify using the standards in this regulation shall be awarded qualification badges in accordance with CR 1-1. Awards are not authorized for familiarization courses. US Army Marksman, Sharpshooter, and Expert marksmanship badges will be used with Small Bore Rifle or Rifle (for air rifle) tabs.

a. Qualification Standards (Smallbore or Air Rifle):

Both Senior and Junior Divisions fire 30 shots for a maximum score of 300 points (see para 1-5)

- 1) Minimum score for marksman = 165 (55%)

- 2) Minimum score for sharpshooter = 195 (65%)
- 3) Minimum score for expert = 240 (80%)

b. California Cadet Corps cadets may earn US Army qualification badges with the Rifle tab by firing the following courses of fire on the Engagement Skills Trainer (EST) 2.0 and achieving the indicated scores:

1) Junior Division—40 shots from the prone supported position to “pop up targets” from varying distances on the screen as prescribed by the Army’s course of fire.

- a) Marksman = 23-29 “hits” out of 40
- b) Sharpshooter = 30-35 “hits” out of 40
- c) Expert = 36 or more “hits” out of 40

2) Senior Division – 20 shots from the prone supported position, 10 shots from the prone unsupported position, and 10 shots from the kneeling position on “pop up targets” from varying distances on the screen as prescribed by the Army’s course of fire.

- a) Marksman = 23-29 “hits” out of 40
- b) Sharpshooter = 30-35 “hits” out of 40
- c) Expert = 36 or more “hits” out of 40

1-8. CURRICULUM

a. The California Cadet Corps Curriculum has a strand on Marksmanship: M13. It may be found on the curriculum website. Goals for completion of the curriculum should include all students completing the Safety Course and Exam, Marksmanship Fundamentals, and Introduction to Marksmanship Competition.

b. Suggested minimum course content for Marksmanship Courses includes:

I. Safety

- Firearms Safety
- Firearms Rules
- Range Rules

II. Nomenclatures

- Common names of rifle parts

III. Shooting

- Dominant Eye
- Fundamentals
 - Firing Positions
 - Aiming and Zeroing a Rifle
 - Breath Control
 - Steadying the Weapon / Consistent Stance
 - Trigger Control and Follow Through

IV. Familiarization

CHAPTER 2

COMPETITIVE MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM

2-1. PURPOSE.

The purpose of the California Cadet Corps Competitive Rifle Marksmanship program is to afford cadets an opportunity to further develop the safe handling of firearms, marksmanship ability, engage in an internationally recognized sport, and practice those essential qualities of team leadership, sportsmanship, fair play and self-discipline.

2-2. AUTHORITY.

Section 512 of the California Military and Veterans Code provides in part that “Members of the California Cadet Corps may engage in rifle matches and competitions conducted or held in this state or at any place in the United States.”

2-3. GENERAL.

- 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. Members of the California Cadet Corps who participate in competitive rifle marksmanship are authorized and encouraged to enroll in National Rifle Association (NRA) Junior Rifle Clubs, Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), 4-H Club, Boy Scout, American Legion, etc., programs that may be available near where they live.
- d. 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.
- e. The conduct of all California Cadet Corps sanctioned rifle matches shall be in accordance with current NRA or CMP Smallbore or Air Rifle rules except where amended herein or by direction of the Executive Officer, California Cadet Corps.

2-4. DEFINITIONS. The following definitions are in effect and are in addition to those defined by current NRA or CMP Smallbore Rifle or Air Rifle rules:

- a. Brigade Rifle Matches – Rifle matches sanctioned or sponsored by a cadet brigade.
- b. CACC Marksmanship Familiarization Course - the initial opportunity for cadets to fire a smallbore or air rifle, consisting of five shots in one or more of the standard firing positions.
- c. Cadet – Any student in good standing actively enrolled in a California Cadet Corps unit which is recognized by HQ CACC.

d. Challenge – The official declaration of a competitor who feels that a target fired upon has been improperly evaluated, scored or recorded.

e. CMP – Civilian Marksmanship Program.

f. Junior Division Cadets – Cadets enrolled in grades 7-9 of a junior high school, grade 9 of a high school or grades 6-8 of a middle school and cadets enrolled in an elementary school. Once a cadet fires competitively as an individual or as a member of a Junior Division Team, he must remain a member of that team for the remainder of the season.

g. Junior Division Teams – Teams consisting of junior high school, middle school or elementary school cadets. Cadets enrolled in high school, senior high schools or grades 10-12 may not compete on a Junior Division Team. 9th grade cadets enrolled in high school may fire on a Senior Division team, and may qualify as a Senior Division firer.

h. Leagues – Teams of several individual Cadet Corps units bound together by mutual agreements for conduct and promotion of rifle marksmanship. Each cadet brigade may have one or more leagues.

i. Match – A rifle or air rifle match, competition or tournament.

j. Match Fees – Monies collected to partially or completely defray the expenses of a match or series of matches. Such fees may cover ammunition, awards, lodging, meals, CMP/NRA registration fees, targets, transportation and other real expenses. Fees may not be levied to compensate match officials or other individuals.

k. Postal Match – A rifle or air rifle match fired at a unit's locally available range under the supervision of an impartial observer; ordinarily using serialized targets provided by higher authority which are verified correct by the impartial observer; after which the targets are mailed to a higher supervisory authority for scoring and evaluation.

l. Rifle/Air Rifle – Only smallbore rifles as defined in NRA Rule 3.2, Any Rifle, are authorized, and only sporter class air rifles as defined in the National Standard Three Position Air Rifle Rules, are authorized for competitions unless specifically stated otherwise in the competition announcement.

m. Senior Division Cadets – Cadets enrolled in grades 10-12 of a high school or senior high school. 9th graders attending a 4-year high school may be put in Senior Division.

n. Senior Division Teams – Teams consisting of high school or senior high school cadets. Junior High School, Middle School and Elementary School cadets who train concurrently with high schools or senior high schools may fire as members of a Senior Division Team, but once having done so, may not fire on a Junior Division Team for the remainder of the season.

o. Special Matches – Matches organized or sponsored by Cadet Corps units or leagues not otherwise defined by this regulation.

p. State Championship Senior Division Position Rifle Matches - Matches sponsored by the California Cadet Corps to determine the most outstanding marksmen and shooting teams at the Senior Division level. During times of austere funding, these matches may be conducted on a Postal Match basis subject to certain limitations that will be announced in the pertinent Match Bulletin.

q. State Championship Junior Division Position Rifle Matches – Matches sponsored by the California Cadet Corps to determine the most outstanding marksmen and shooting teams at the Junior Division level. During times of austere funding, these matches may be conducted on a Postal Match basis subject to certain limitations that will be announced in the pertinent Match Bulletin.

2-5. 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 conducting Rifle Matches:

- 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 (unless waived by the CACC XO)
- 2) Only standard velocity ammunition shall be used.
- 3) Only serial numbered targets provided by HQ CACC shall be used unless waived by the CACC XO.
- 4) Time limits shall be in accordance with NRA or CMP Rules or Cadet Regulation 3-17, depending on which organization's rules the match is being fired using.
- 5) At the school level, teams may be of an unlimited size to provide for necessary substitutions. Entries on CACC Form 35, Official Scorecard, will be limited to not more than five cadets in state in-person or postal rifle matches. The highest five scores fired will comprise the five-member team. Alternates, if not indicated on the CACC Form 35, will be automatically declared as the sixth highest score for the five-member team.
- 6) All cadets eligible under the provisions of this regulation who are not members of a school cadet rifle team may apply to compete in the State Rifle Matches if their school allows marksmanship participation.
- 7) Only official scorecards shall be used to report match scores. All targets will be maintained by the Brigade Advisor in the case of postal matches until the conclusion of the State Rifle Matches.
- 8) 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.
- 9) Each competitor will be responsible for clearly recording his/her name, rank, school, relay and firing point number on his/her target.
- 10) 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:
 - a) By the highest-ranking score in the Standing Position. If still tied;
 - b) By the highest-ranking score in the Kneeling Position. If still tied;
 - c) By the highest-ranking score in the Prone Position. If still tied;
 - d) By the greatest total number of Center Shots. If still tied;
 - e) By re-firing the Standing Position, or ten prone shots for junior division postal matches.
- 11) 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 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, or an NRA/CMP Official Referee.

- 12) Cadets must have earned at least a Marksman Qualification Badge to be eligible to compete at the State Rifle Matches. May be waived if done so in the Match Bulletin.
- 13) The course of fire for State level Rifle Matches is a 3 x 10 course of fire (10 shots in each position, prone, standing and kneeling, fired in that order) unless otherwise directed in the Match Bulletin issued by HQ CACC.
- 14) The course of fire for Junior Division Rifle Matches is 30 shots in the prone position unless otherwise directed in the Match Bulletin issued by HQ CACC.

2-6. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP RIFLE MATCHES.

- a. Postal Championships will be conducted on a postal basis in accordance with the rules enumerated above.
- b. A commandant wishing to enter postal matches must request serial numbered targets from HQ CACC, specifying whether the matches will be smallbore rifle or air rifle. Scorecards (CACC Form 35) will be forwarded to arrive at HQ CACC not later than the dates published in the match circular/bulletin. All targets will be maintained by the Brigade Advisor for public inspection until the conclusion of the State Rifle Matches.
- c. The State Championship Rifle Matches may be held annually at a location within the state. Participants must have qualified at least as Marksman on a CACC qualification course. The match will be announced by HQ CACC circular or WARNORD.
- d. The California Cadet Corps will provide, within budgetary limitations, ammunition, awards, lodging, meals, targets and transportation. Shooting equipment such as spotting scopes, pads, etc., WILL NOT be furnished by HQ CACC. A match fee may be assessed those individuals and teams attending.
- e. The course of fire for the California Cadet Corps State Rifle Championships will depend in part upon availability of facilities and will be announced in the Match Bulletin.
- f. The following championships will usually be fired:
 - SENIOR DIVISION
 - Knight (Individual and Team Aggregate)
 - O'Sullivan (5-person team)
 - Clausen (Individual Aggregate, Team Match)
 - Warren (Individual Match Aggregate)
 - JUNIOR DIVISION
 - Allred (5-member team)
 - Speed (High Individual, both matches)
 - Veronda (High Individual, either match)
- g. All Competitors at the State Championship Matches, regardless of status, will shoot the same course of fire.
- h. The course of fire will be dependent upon available range facilities and announced in the Match Bulletin.

2.7. AWARDS. Authorized marksmanship training awards are described in Cadet Regulation 1-1.

CHAPTER 3

STATE SMALLBORE RIFLE TEAM & AIR RIFLE TEAM

3-1. PURPOSE.

This regulation establishes the procedures to select cadets for participation in the CACC State Smallbore Rifle Team as well as the State Air Rifle Team, if teams are formed.

3-2. AUTHORITY.

Section 512 of the California Military and Veterans Code provides in part that, "Members of the California Cadet Corps may engage in rifle matches and competitions conducted or held in this state or at any place in the United States."

3-3. GENERAL.

a. Cadets must have written permission of their parent or legal guardian on file at the school to engage in marksmanship training each school year and prior to engaging in the team selection process. See CACC Form 37, available on the HQ CACC website.

b. Definitions and rules contained in Chapter 2 apply.

3-4. TEAM SELECTION FOR RIFLE MATCHES.

a. Each year, a State Smallbore Rifle Team or individual(s) as well as a State Air Rifle Team or individuals may be selected from the membership of the California Cadet Corps to the National Rifle Matches held at Camp Perry, Ohio.

b. Selection of a team will be based upon administrative and budget considerations and the final determination to send a team to Camp Perry will be announced annually by HQCACC as soon as practical.

c. A maximum of 15 team candidates for the State Smallbore Rifle Team and an additional 15 candidates for the State Air Rifle Team will be selected at State Championship Matches. This number may vary at the discretion of HQCACC.

d. Cadets who indicate a desire to devote the necessary time and effort to compete in the national matches will be considered for membership in a team.

e. Individual cadets may be selected to represent the California Cadet Corps at Camp Perry if qualified teams as determined by HQ CACC are not selected.

f. Candidates must receive a National Rifle Association classification card or fire in the required number of matches necessary to receive a classification.

g. Prior to 15 June annually, proof of classification, a proposed outline of practice sessions and a listing of NRA sanctioned matches to be attended prior to Camp Perry must be submitted to HQ CACC.

h. All candidates must submit a declaration of intent to participate in national matches NLT 1 July. Candidates who do not submit this declaration by the deadline will not be considered.

3-5. NATIONAL SMALLBORE AND AIR RIFLE MATCHES.

a. Qualified cadets selected as official team members may participate in the National Rifle Matches at Camp Perry, usually held each August.

b. Funding resources available to defray expenses will be made available to those cadets who attend national matches.

3-6. COACH SELECTION.

a. Teams attending national matches will be under the supervision of, and accompanied to Camp Perry by a minimum of one coach per ten cadets.

b. Coaches will be selected by HQ CACC from members of the HQCACC staff, brigade advisors, commandant personnel, enlisted personnel or officers of the California National Guard or State Defense Forces.

c. Coaches will be responsible for the planning, implementation, and supervision of the intensive practice sessions described in 3-4(g) above.

Appendix A

10 Commandments of Shooting Safety

1. Always point a weapon muzzle in a safe direction
2. Treat every firearm or bow with the same respect you would show a loaded gun or knocked arrow
3. Be sure of your target and what is in front of and beyond your target
4. Unload firearms and unstring bows when not in use
5. Handle firearms, arrows and ammunition carefully
6. Know your safe zone of fire and stick to it
7. Control your emotions when it comes to safety
8. Wear hearing and eye protection
9. Don't drink alcoholic beverages or take drugs before or while handling firearms or bow and arrows
10. Be aware of additional circumstances which require added caution or safety awareness