

Rules for the Oregon State Distinguished Pistol Shot Program

Policy: This instruction describes the rules by which OSSA members can earn the State Distinguished Pistol Shot award in Precision Pistol, and Excellence in Competition (EIC) or "leg" points toward achieving this award.

Procedure: To earn the State Distinguished Pistol Shot award, competitors must earn their Bronze, Silver, and Gold EIC leg points, in that order, at the designated state pistol championships. All non-distinguished shooters at these championships shall compete against one another in the State EIC match, using the scores from the National Match Course (NMC) of the appropriate 900 aggregate, based on their progress in the program.

- a. Bronze Point This will be the first leg point to be earned and awarded. Competitors with no previous legs will use the score of the .22 stage NMC of the 2700 championship as the score for the State EIC match. The .22 caliber pistol must meet the requirements of NRA rule 3.4. To earn the leg, the competitor's score must be in the top 10% of all non-distinguished shooters in the match, and above the minimum score.
- b. Silver Point This will be the second leg point to be earned and awarded, when the shooter has previously earned the Bronze leg point. Competitors will use the score of the Centerfire stage NMC of the 2700 championship as the score for the State EIC match. The Centerfire pistol must meet the requirements of NRA rule 3.5. To earn the leg, the competitor's score must be in the top 10% of all non-distinguished shooters in the match and above the minimum score.
- c. Gold Point This will be the final leg point to be earned and awarded, when the shooter has previously earned the Silver leg point. Competitors will use the score of the .45 stage NMC of the 2700 championship as the score for the State EIC match. The .45 pistol must meet the requirements of NRA rule 3.6. To earn the leg, the score must be in the top 10% of all non-distinguished shooters in the match and above the minimum score. When the Gold point is earned, the competitor will be an Oregon State Distinguished Pistol Shot and will be awarded the State Distinguished Pistol Shot Medal.
- d. **Notes** Competitors, while trying to earn their next required point (Bronze, Silver or Gold), will be shooting in the State EIC match co-mingled with other competitors shooting a different caliber pistol, in efforts to win their respective Oregon State Shooting Association

Excellence in Competition - Pistol (incremental step) point. For example, the qualifying score of the winner(s) of the .22 Bronze leg point must also exceed participating competitors NMC scores in the Center Fire and .45 NMC's. Consequently, a competitor's .45 Gold leg score will have to exceed the scores of participating competitors in .22 and Center Fire. Regardless of pistol caliber, legs toward distinguished status will be awarded to the highest scoring 10% of all non-distinguished competitors.

e. **Number of points per match** – Six non-distinguished competitors are required for one leg to be awarded. For determining the number of additional legs to be awarded, fractions of competitors 0.6 or over will be rounded up to the next multiple of 10. Example: 16 competitors are required for awarding leg points to two competitors, 26 competitors for awarding points to three competitors, etc.

Course of fire: The course of fire shall be one National Match Course.

- a. Ten shots slow fire, 50 yards in 10 minutes.
- b. Ten shots timed fire, 25 yards in two strings of 5 shots, 20 seconds per string.
- c. Ten shots rapid fire, 25 yards in two strings of 5 shots, 10 seconds per string.

Minimum score: A minimum score of 270 is required to qualify for an EIC point.

Scores to be used:

- a. Outdoor State Championships use the NMC of the appropriate stage of the 2700 for the State EIC match. All non-distinguished OSSA members will be entered in the EIC match. For competitors firing both days of a two-day state championship, only the first day's score will be used for the State EIC match for that particular championship.
- b. Both days' EIC scores of a two-day championship will be combined for the State EIC match and for determination of the top 10% earning points.

Designated championships for State EIC matches: Oregon State EIC matches will be held at the Oregon State Outdoor Precision Pistol Championships.

Eligibility:

- a. For competitors to be eligible for awards, they must be members in good standing of the OSSA, with dues current or paid prior to match commencement. There is no residency requirement.
- b. Competitors may not receive any of the three EIC points more than once.
- c. All awards are individual; there are no team awards.

Match rules: The current NRA precision pistol rules will govern the conduct of these matches. For leg points to be awarded, the match must:

- a. Conform to all parts of these and current NRA rules that apply.
- b. Include at least six eligible non-distinguished competitors.
- c. Be completed in all of its stages.
- d. Have the minimum score met by competitors scoring in the top 10%.

Responsibilities: The OSSA State Handgun Director will administer the program.

- a. The director will coordinate with state match sponsors to ensure a satisfactory match program.
- b. Review the match results to determine award winners.
- c. Maintain the records of competitors in the program, scores fired and awards made.
- d. Order and maintain a sufficient stock of medals to support the program.

Presentation of awards: The State Handgun Director will award the appropriate EIC certificate to the winning competitor(s), and present the State Distinguished Medals to competitors at the end of the match in which they qualify (leg out).

Fee: A \$3.00 fee will be charged for the match.

Ammunition: Competitors must furnish their own (safe) ammunition.

Targets: Targets shall be the current NRA approved target for the distance.