

CTSA Policy Letter

F Class Match Operations – Update 3: 4 August 2017

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Additional Range Officers may be appointed at the Match Director's discretion on an as-needed basis.

Purpose: To provide NRA regulatory guidance and CTSA supervision for participants who compete in the 500 yard Mid-Range F Class competition. NRA F Class competition is a sub-category of NRA High Power. This is a single shot event, engaging the NRA MR-65 FC series target at 500 yards. All scoring is in accordance with NRA High Power Rules, Section 14. This is an NRA Approved Match.

Time Line:

7:30 am: Registration closed

8:00 am: Match and Safety Brief conducted.

8:15 am: Pits sealed.

8:30 am: Match begins.

The start times may be adjusted for the lack of natural light at the

Course of Fire / Score Keeping / Pit Duty:

The course of fire for all CTSA F Class tournaments will consist of 3 individual matches. Each match will require 20 rounds for record score plus sighting shots. Competitors will be allowed unlimited sighting shots on their first match and only two (2) sighting shots on subsequent matches. Tournament winners are determined on the total aggregate scores of all three (3) individual matches.

Position Assignment / Squad:

Competitors will be assigned to a specific position. Those competitors will rotate the tasks of shooting, scoring and pulling pit duty. All competitors will perform all three tasks. If a competitor cannot physically perform a task (i.e. pit duty) then they must provide an additional person to accomplish the task.

Pit Duty:

All competitors will pull pit duty. A senior / experienced competitor is expected to take on the responsibility of the Pit Boss and maintain communications with the firing line. Any questions from pit personnel will be addressed to the Pit Boss. All challenges made from the firing line will be verified by the Pit Boss.

While conducting pit duty, personnel are required to have eye protection, ear protection and a hat. A hat with a large wide bill (floppy / boonie style) is strongly recommended. Due to the tempo of the match, it is also recommended to have water and power snacks while in the pits. There is no lunch break during the tournament.

Equipment:

Firearms must meet the qualifications of NRA High Power Rule 3.1 to 3.22 to be eligible for award contention. All NRA F Class rules under Chapter 22, section 3.4 will be followed.

In accordance with NRA High Power rules 3.16 and 3.16.1, muzzle brakes, suppressors or any other type of device used to direct gas dispersion or to reduce recoil is prohibited. Any rifle platform which uses a stock flash hider is allowed. AR platform rifles are required to use a brass-catcher or other device to prevent spent brass from entering another competitor's footprint.

Those firearms that do not meet the qualifications will be allowed to shoot with prior approval of the Match Director. They will not be eligible for any awards. This is considered an exhibition/challenger event for that participant.

Awards / Trophies:

Tournament winners will be identified for both Open and F T/R Classes. Winners will be presented with 1st, 2nd and 3rd place medals. There are no medals awarded for the individual matches, but those will be identified in the overall standings.

CTSA has two unique awards, one for each class, identifying those competitors as members of the "100%" Club. These awards are presented to any competitor who scores a 600 out of 600 possible. The number of "X" counts are not included. Once a competitor becomes a member of the "100%" Club, no additional awards will be presented for subsequent perfect scores.

Unsafe Acts / Behaviors:

All competitors are expected to maintain a professional attitude towards healthy competitiveness. Any malicious act which causes panic or unwarranted stress towards the "group" or "individual" will not be tolerated. This behavior will result in a competitor's removal from the tournament and subsequent suspension from future tournaments. The Match Director retains this authority. The President of CTSA retains the authority for all suspension actions.

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This policy letter may be amended at the discretion of the Match Director. Please note the update number and published date of change.