

# **Marksmanship Program**

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# ***SUMMARY of CHANGE***

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Marksmanship Program

\*This update changes the regulation from Rifle Marksmanship to Marksmanship

\*Adds the air pistol and shotgun to the marksmanship program for senior division (high school) cadets only

\*Adds archery as a major component of the program

\*Publishes qualification standards for the air pistol, shotgun and archery

\*Describes potential use of archery in state and brigade competitions, and embraces NASP (the National Archery in the Schools Program) as the source of archery rules, equipment, and procedures

## Marksmanship Program

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**History.** This regulation update confirms what has become a significant aspect of the California Cadet Corps program at state level, and adds archery as a major component of the marksmanship program.

**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.

**Supplementation.** Supplementation of this regulation and establishment of command and local forms are prohibited without prior approval, in writing, from the Executive Officer, California Cadet Corps. Send a draft copy of each supplement to – Youth Programs, California Cadet Corps, ATTN: Executive Officer, 10 Sonoma Ave, Camp San Luis Obispo, CA.

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# CHAPTER 1

## Marksmanship Program

### 1-1. PURPOSE.

This chapter establishes the California Cadet Corps Marksmanship Program.

### 1-2. OBJECTIVE.

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

- Develop and maintain marksmanship ability
- Learn, practice, and appreciate the safe handling of firearms
- Improve self-discipline habits
- Increase confidence and develop pride in accomplishment of goals
- 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. Use of Archery as a marksmanship subset is encouraged within districts that do not allow rifle marksmanship.

- 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 and in Appendix B.

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, Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) rules for air rifle marksmanship, and National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP) rules for archery, particularly in competition situations.

#### **1-5. REQUIRED TRAINING – RIFLE MARKSMANSHIP**

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](mailto: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/>.

## **1-6. REQUIRED TRAINING – ARCHERY MARKSMANSHIP**

a. The following subjects will be covered in Archery Safety Training. 100% score is required on the exam in order to proceed to shooting on the range. Information is derived from NASP documents on their website, [NASP Schools – National Archery in the Schools Program \(NASP\)](#). NASP offers instructor training for archery programs at schools and curriculum for students at the elementary, middle school, and high school levels.

- 1) Archery Safety Procedures
- 2) Archery Range Rules
- 3) Archery Terms
- 4) Whistle Commands

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

- 1) Stance
- 2) Nock Arrow
- 3) Drawing Hand Set
- 4) Bow Hand Set
- 5) Pre-Draw
- 6) Draw
- 7) Anchor
- 8) Aiming
- 9) Shot Set-Up
- 10) Release
- 11) Follow-Through / Reflection

## **1-7. CADET CORPS COURSES OF FIRE.**

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

b. The Rifle 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.

(f) The course for air pistol shall consist of 30 shots over 15 minutes, all standing, with 5 minutes rest between relays, for a total of 55 minutes.

(g) The course for shotgun shall consist of one round of Trap with 25 shots, scored Hit or Miss.

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.

3) Archery.

Cadets shoot 30 arrows for qualification. The course of fire is:

- 5 practice shots at 10 meters (32' 10")
- 3 relays of 5 shots at 10 meters. 2 minutes per 5-arrow 'end'
- 5 practice shots at 15 meters (49' 2")
- 3 relays of 5 shots at 15 meters. 2 minutes per 5-arrow 'end'

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

(5) For archery, the NASP approved Morrell NASP eternity Target will be used

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. Ranges for archery will be 10 meters (32 feet, 9.7 inches) and 15 meters (49 feet, 2 inches).



g. Ammunition. Only standard velocity ammunition may be used. For archery tournaments and ideally for qualification, Easton 1820 aluminum arrows will be used. Programs may use other types of arrows for practice.

h. In the California Cadet Corps Encampment Marksmanship Unit, cadets in the Intermediate and Advanced Marksmanship programs will be considered to be in Senior Division regardless of age or grade (for qualification on the air pistol and shotgun). All cadets who attend the Encampment Marksmanship program will qualify using the Senior Division course of fire.

## **1-8. 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).

## **1-9. NATIONAL ARCHERY IN SCHOOLS PROGRAM (NASP).**

a. The National Archery in the Schools Program is an in-school program aimed at improving educational performance among students in grades 4 through 12. And through it, students are learning focus, self-control, discipline, patience, and the life lessons required to be successful in the classroom and in life. The National Archery in the Schools Program promotes instruction in international-style target archery as part of in-school curriculum, to improve educational performance and participation in the shooting sports among students in grades 4-12.

b. NASP membership. California Cadet Corps units opting to participate in the marksmanship program may be affiliated with the National Archery in Schools Program if they are going to participate in archery competitions outside the California Cadet Corps. If cadets are only firing to qualify and compete within Cadet Corps marksmanship competitions, membership in NASP is optional.

c. Information on NASP may be found on their website at [www.naspschools.org](http://www.naspschools.org).

**1-10. 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 Smallbore Rifle or Air Rifle tabs. If Air Rifle tabs can't be sourced, Rifle tabs will be used for Air Rifle.

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

c. Qualification Standards for the Air Pistol (Senior Division Only):

Senior Division cadets fire 30 shots in relays of 10, all from the standing position. Relays consist of 10 rounds in 15 minutes with 5 minutes rest between relays; 55 minutes total for the match. 10 points possible per shot, 300 points total.

- 1) Minimum score for marksman = 165 (55%)
- 2) Minimum score for sharpshooter = 195 (65%)
- 3) Minimum score for expert = 240 (80%)

d. Qualification Standards for the Shotgun (Senior Division Only):

Senior Division cadets fire 25 shots of Trap in one round, from the standing position. Hit or Miss, 25 points possible.

- 1) Minimum score for marksman = 13 (52%)
- 2) Minimum score for sharpshooter = 18 (72%)
- 3) Minimum score for expert = 22 (88%)

e. Qualification Standards for Archery:

A total of 300 points are available.

- 1) Minimum score for marksman = 150 (50%)
- 2) Minimum score for sharpshooter = 180 (60%)
- 3) Minimum score for expert = 225 (75%)

## 1-9. 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

c. Suggested minimum course content for Marksmanship Courses that include only Archery includes:

### I. Safety

- Archery Safety Procedures
- Archery Range Rules
- Archery Terms
- Whistle Commands

### II. Nomenclatures

- Common terms used in archery

### III. Shooting

- Dominant Eye
- Use of the String Bow
- 11 Steps to Archery Success:
  - Stance
  - Nock Arrow
  - Drawing Hand Set
  - Bow Hand Set
  - Pre-Draw
  - Draw
  - Anchor
  - Aiming
  - Shot Set-Up
  - Release
  - Follow-Through / Reflection

## CHAPTER 2

### COMPETITIVE MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM

#### 2-1. PURPOSE.

The purpose of the California Cadet Corps Competitive 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, Air Rifle, or Archery Matches. See CACC Form 37 on the HQ CACC website.

b. Members of the California Cadet Corps must complete the Weapons or Archery Safety Course and Marksmanship Fundamentals Course as presented in the Cadet Corps Curriculum strand M13 prior to engaging in the Competitive 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 marksmanship match while participating as a member of the California Cadet Corps.

e. The conduct of all California Cadet Corps sanctioned marksmanship matches shall be in accordance with current NRA Smallbore, CMP Air Rifle, or NASP Archery 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 Marksmanship Matches – Rifle or Archery 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. 9<sup>th</sup> 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, air rifle, or archery 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. NASP – National Archery in Schools Program.
- l. NRA – National Rifle Association.
- m. 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.
- n. 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.
- o. Senior Division Cadets – Cadets enrolled in grades 10-12 of a high school or senior high school. 9<sup>th</sup> graders attending a 4-year high school may be put in Senior Division.
- p. 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.
- q. Special Matches – Matches organized or sponsored by Cadet Corps units or leagues not otherwise defined by this regulation.

r. 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.

s. 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. MARKSMANSHIP MATCH RULES**

a. One or more of the following disinterested individuals must witness firing of a Marksmanship 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, CMP, or NASP Referee/Instructor
- 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 referring 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.

c. NASP Tournament Rules are listed at [Microsoft Word - 2023 NASP@ Bullseye Rules \(naspschools.org\)](https://www.naspschools.org)

## **2-6. STATE CHAMPIONSHIP MARKSMANSHIP 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 Marksmanship 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 Marksmanship 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 and Appendix B.

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

**APPENDIX B**

**CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE**

CADET \_\_\_\_\_ SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name MI

1. I, \_\_\_\_\_ the parent – legal guardian – of the above-named minor do hereby give permission to State of California, Military Department and California Cadet Corps marksmanship training instructors, to furnish a firearm or bow & arrows to said minor for the purpose of instructing him/her in the safe handling of firearms and safe competitive marksmanship shooting and hereby give my permission for my son/daughter to participate in the California Cadet Corps Marksmanship and Competitive Training Program for the school year \_\_\_\_\_. My consent includes respective school programs, regional and/or State Championship Matches and scheduled competitions sponsored or supervised by the assigned Commandants of Cadets/Cadet Corps Coaches, or the California Cadet Corps Headquarters. I understand training will include the handling of firearms and ammunition or bows and arrows suitable to a competitive marksmanship training program.

2. I do further agree to indemnify and hold harmless the State of California, the Military Department and California Cadet Corps and all officers and employees thereof, from all suits or actions brought for, or on account of any injuries or damage received or sustained by any person or persons by or from the consequences of any negligence or any act or omission of the above-named minor occurring during the course of said training.

3. I understand that I am responsible for all actions and medical requirements of Cadet \_\_\_\_\_ and consent in advance to whatever X-Ray examination, anesthesia, medical or surgical diagnostic procedure or treatment is considered necessary in the best judgment of the attending physician in the event of illness or injury.

4. I understand that in the event of illness or injury, which is not an emergency, reasonable efforts to reach me will be attempted. My son/daughter is allergic to the following drugs (if none, write NONE):  
\_\_\_\_\_.

I give my consent for the cadet named above to participate in:

\_\_\_\_\_ Rifle / Air Rifle / Shotgun / Air Pistol / Archery Marksmanship (*initial and line out any not approved*).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Numbers to Contact Parent/Guardian

**Special Instructions:** This form will be completed prior to initial engagement in CACC Marksmanship and Competitive Marksmanship Training annually and a copy of this form will be placed on file at the cadet’s school.

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