



NPA PPC

RANGE OFFICER EXAMINATION PAPER

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This written examination is to be taken by all aspirant NPA/PPC Range Officers. It must be attempted and passed before the applicant goes onto the practical examination at a Provincial Championships. This is an open book examination to test the understanding of the Rules and not the aspirant NPA/PPC Range Officer's ability to remember them.

Part 1

1. When may a firearm be loaded?
2. What must happen if a shot is fired before the command LOAD is given?
3. When and how can a firearm be changed if it becomes defective?
4. As only the correct number of rounds is to be loaded, what is the penalty for fewer rounds loaded?
5. Against what type of malfunctions may a protest be made?
6. When can a Range Officer check ammunition and firearms used by competitors?
7. In which of the NPA and PPC Matches may a spotting scope be used?
8. What trigger weight is required for -
 - (a) Police Pistol A
 - (b) Pocket Gun
 - (c) Service Pistol A
 - (d) The 1500
9. What is the FPE formula for Super Magnum and how must it be applied?
10. Explain what type of grips may be used for each of the NPA and PPC Matches?
11. What target is currently used for Police Pistol and what are the dimensions of it's -
 - (a) X ring
 - (b) 5 ring
12. What target is currently used for Service Pistol and what are the dimensions of it's -
 - (a) 3 ring
 - (b) 2 ring
13. What target is currently used for The 1500 and what are it's dimensions?
14. When can a magazine be loaded on the Range?
15. What Rule must be applied to a competitor who refuses to comply with Range Officer commands?
16. What type of holster must be used in all PPC Matches?
17. If a shooter wanted to shoot a PPC Match, but does not have a holster, explain what the procedure would be?
18. If a shooter wanted to shoot, but does not have any eye and ear protection, explain what the procedure would be?
19. If a shooter has a temporary disability, explain the procedure to be followed?
20. What is specifically prohibited, as far as eye protection is concerned?

Part 2

1. What type of ammunition may be used for -
 - (a) Police Pistol A
 - (b) Standard Revolver 4"
 - (c) Standard Semi-automatic Pistol
 - (d) Service Pistol B
2. What type and calibre of firearms must be used for-
 - (a) Standard Revolver 4"
 - (b) Standard Semi-automatic Pistol
 - (c) Carry Gun
3. In what position must the firearm be in Pocket Gun and in Service Pistol B, when the targets are not facing?
4. How many rounds must be loaded at the 10m practice of Carry Gun?
5. How many rounds must be fired at each exposure at the 3m practice of Vest Pistol?

6. What can a shooter do if he/she feels that the timing or face time of the targets have been incorrect?
7. Explain what type of sights may be used in each of the NPA Matches?
8. Explain what type of sights may be used in each of the PPC Matches?
9. Explain the distances and time limits for Match 5 of The 1500?
10. What happens in Police Pistol II if a round is dropped?
11. What is the maximum number of speed loaders or magazines a competitor may use in Police Pistol II and in The 1500?
12. Explain how a barricade is to be used at the 50 meter matches of The 1500?
13. Can single action be used by revolver shooters at the 50 meter matches of The 1500?
14. For which Matches are warm-up shots not allowed, explain how and when telescopes or binoculars may be used during warm-ups and what the penalty would be if a shooter returns his firearm to holster with it's hammer up or placing in on the ground while in that state, during warm-ups?
15. What is the maximum barrel length of firearms used for Distinguished Pistol?

Part 3

1. Explain how ties must be dealt with?
2. Explain how a skid shot must be dealt with?
3. Explain how shots fired by an adjacent or neighbouring competitor on the competitor's target must be dealt with?
4. What Rule must be applied if a competitor fired more shots than the practice calls for?
5. What is the box size for Pocket Gun and Carry Gun and what tolerances are allowed?
6. Explain the procedure that must be followed should a National Record be shot?
7. How is trigger pull measured?
8. Explain the load procedures for pistol in –
 - (a) Police Pistol II
 - (b) The 1500
9. Explain what must happen -
 - (a) After the command LOAD and HOLSTER a competitor's firearm falls from his holster
 - (b) After the command RANGE SAFE a competitor's firearm falls from his holster
10. Explain procedural errors with regard to barricade use and fault lines?
11. What points must be deducted for a fault line procedural error?
12. What points must be deducted when a competitor shoots from a wrong shooting position?
13. When moving between positions in PPC Matches, should the competitor load before or after moving to the next position?
14. Explain what must take place on the firing line, when the command LOAD AND HOLSTER is given in PPC Matches?
15. Explain what must take place on the firing line, when the command LOAD is given in NPA Matches?
16. At the end of a practice, what must be given before any shooter can bend to pick up cases and equipment from the ground?
17. Explain what a Set-up-Area is and how it must be used?
18. Explain what is never allowed in a Set-Up-Area and what must happen if a competitor is found handling the prohibited item in that area?
19. Explain how a barricade is to be used at the 25 meter match of Standard Revolver 4" as well as Standard Semi-automatic Pistol and can single action be used by revolver shooters?
20. Explain what must take place if more than the required number of hits appears on a target?

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