

2018 Proposed Rule Changes – HANDGUN ONLY

5.1.5 Triggers and/or trigger shoes that extend beyond the width of the trigger guard, and handguns without trigger guards, are expressly prohibited.

5.2.5 Where a Division specifies a maximum distance that a competitor's handgun and equipment may extend away from a competitor's body, a Range Officer may check compliance by measuring the closest distance between the competitor's torso and the center of the longest dimension of the handgun grip and/or ~~any~~ each reloading devices. All reloading devices, including those retained by magnets or by other means, must comply. *(This covers magazines in double pouches extending away from the torso).*

5.2.7.4 A holster which does not completely prevent access to, or activation of, the trigger of the handgun while holstered, or a holster which requires use of the trigger finger to unlock or release the handgun when drawing. *(Deals with Serpa and similar holsters)*

5.2.10 In some Divisions (see Appendix D), neither the handgun, nor any of its attachments, nor the holster, nor any allied equipment, can extend forward of the line illustrated in Appendix E2 at the Start Signal. Any such items a Range Officer deems not to be in compliance must be safely and promptly adjusted, failing which Rule 6.2.5.1 will apply. *(Allows magazines forward of the line prior to LAMR).*

5.2.10.1 However, a competitor will not be subject to Rule 6.2.5.1 for having loose rounds, magazines or speed loaders in shorts or trouser pockets forward of the line illustrated in Appendix E2 provided those items are not used after the Start Signal.

8.2.2 The competitor assumes the start position as specified in the written stage briefing. Unless otherwise specified, the competitor must stand erect, facing downrange, with the handgun loaded and holstered, and arms hanging naturally by the sides (see Appendix E2). A competitor who attempts or completes a course of fire where an incorrect start position was used may be required by a Range Officer to reshoot the course of fire.

8.7.1 Competitors are prohibited from taking a sight picture and/or dry firing prior to the Start Signal. Violation will result in a warning for the first occurrence and one procedural penalty for each subsequent occurrence in the same match. Competitors may, while pointing their firearm directly at the ground in front of them, adjust electronic sights. Note that verifying the gun chamber is clear and activating the trigger once, while pointing the firearm at the ground directly in front of the competitor, is not a breach of this rule or Rule 10.5.9.

8.1 Handgun Ready Conditions

The default ready condition for handguns ~~will normally be~~ are as stated below.

8.1.2.1 "Single action" – Magazine inserted, chamber loaded, hammer cocked, with external safety applied.

8.1.2.2 "Double action" – Magazine inserted, chamber loaded, hammer fully down or decocked.

8.1.2.3 "Selective action" – Either of the above, subject to divisional requirements, if any ~~Chamber loaded, hammer fully down or decocked, or chamber loaded, hammer cocked with external safety applied.~~

8.1.4 Unless complying with a Division requirement (see Appendix D), a competitor must not be restricted on the number of rounds to be loaded or reloaded in a handgun, magazine or speed loader. Written stage briefings may only stipulate when the firearm is to be loaded or when mandatory reloads are required, when permitted under Rule 1.1.5.2.

8.3.7.3 If the gun proves to be clear, the competitor must securely holster his handgun. Once the competitor's hands are clear of the securely holstered handgun, the course of fire is deemed to have ended.

10.2.8 If a course of fire (or part thereof) stipulates shooting strong or weak hand only, a competitor will incur one procedural penalty for each occurrence of touching the handgun (or scooping it from a table etc.) with the other hand after the Start Signal (or from the point where single hand shooting has been stipulated). Exceptions are drawing the handgun from the holster with the strong hand and transferring it to the weak hand and/or chambering a round before firing any shots, releasing an external safety (without scooping), reloading or

correcting a malfunction. However, the procedural penalty will be applied on a “per shot fired” basis when a competitor uses the other hand or arm or object to:

10.5.5 ~~Allowing the muzzle of a handgun to point at any part of the competitor's body during a course of fire (i.e. sweeping).~~ Sweeping (see Glossary). A disqualification is not applicable if sweeping occurs while drawing or re-holstering a gun, provided the competitor's fingers are clearly outside the trigger guard.

10.5.11 Having a loaded and holstered handgun ~~in any of the following conditions~~ contrary to the provisions of Section 8.1. *(Simplified – need to delete sub-rules)*

GLOSSARY:

Allied Equipment: Scopes, magazines, speed loaders and/or their respective retention devices (including magnets).

Handle/handling: Holding or gripping a handgun which is not securely holstered, and/or trapping a handgun against any part of the competitor's body, and/or adding or removing a firearm to/from the competitor's person even if the handgun is wholly or partially concealed by a protective cover, when not in a Safety Area or under the supervision and direct command of a Range Officer.

Appendix C1: (Calibration of IPSC Poppers)

9. The foregoing processes are final and are not subject to an Appeal to Arbitration.

Appendix D3 - Classic Division:

16.2 Barrels must not protrude more than 6 mm from the front of the slide.

17. Prohibited modifications / parts are slide lightening cuts, rail attachments, weak hand thumb rests and slide rackers.

19. Magazines accessible to a competitor during a COF must not contain more than 8 rounds (for Major power factor) or 10 rounds (for Minor power factor) at the Start Signal. Note that a competitor who satisfies the caliber and power factor requirements for Major, but who has access to magazines loaded with 9 or 10 rounds after the Start Signal, will be relegated to Minor.

Appendix D4 - Production Division:

16.1 Modifications to them, other than minor detailing (the removal of burrs and/or adjustments unavoidably required in order to fit replacement OFM parts or components), are prohibited. Other prohibited modifications include those which facilitate faster reloading (e.g. racking or charging handles, flared, enlarged and/or add-on magwells, etc.), changing the original color and/or finish of a handgun, and/or adding stripes, stippling or other embellishments.

Appendix E4B

A fully assembled and unloaded handgun is pointed vertically skywards, then a dowel with a 127 mm marker is inserted into the muzzle end of the barrel until the dowel rests on the breech face. If the 127 mm marker is at or ~~above~~ beyond the muzzle end of the barrel ~~erown~~, the handgun is compliant for Production Division.

For revolvers, measure from the muzzle end of the barrel to the face of the forcing cone where the barrel ends. If the length is 127 mm or less, the revolver is compliant for Production Division.