

Universal Shooting Academy Defensive Pistol League

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COMPETITION RULES

IDEA

The purpose of this “league” is two fold. To have a relatively non intimidating place for the newer shooter to get started in the competition shooting sports, and to give the defensive minded practitioner a place to test their skills and gear in a semi realistic scenario. I am not trying to replace USPSA or IDPA. I am a member of both organizations and plan to continue to compete in both. I am not trying to start a new galactic wide sport.

We will use practical targets (USPSA or IDPA) cardboard as well as steel targets. Round count within a stage will be low, targets relatively close, and positions limited to a just a few. Use of cover will be encouraged but not subjective. Likely via use of fault lines.

Scoring will be time plus. Current thoughts are to use the USPSA Multi Gun Time Plus scoring system. Likely electronic on tablets.

We will be GUMBY. For those of you that aren't old skool SNL fans, that means everything about this is flexible. Rules, divisions, stages, anything. I have set this up according to my thoughts along with some input from others but the main goal is to please the customer. If gooder ideas come along we can change to accommodate them.

SAFETY

Safety is paramount. We will run a cold range similar to the other action pistol sports using USPSA's safety rules and procedures. Safe areas will be in use and required. You can find the rules at USPSA.org. Violation of a safety rule may result in disqualification for the day.

If you are not a member of one of the other sports you will need to attend an orientation held immediately prior to one of our competitions.

DIVISIONS

LC – Legit Carry

I expect this to be the largest division. This division is intended for realistic carry set-ups. G19, M&P, 1911 commander, etc. Even full size guns would be allowed in proper carry configuration. I expect inside the waistband (IWB) holsters here with few exceptions. A G26 or maybe 1911 Officer could get away with outside the waist carry. Strong side, 4 o'clock, or appendix allowed. Must be concealed.

DUTY

Though you do not need to be LE or Military to participate in this division that is what it is set up for. Any type of duty rigs are likely fine. Level II or III retention. All retention devices on gun and mags must be used. Strong side, drop, etc.

IDPA

Should be self explanatory but this is for anyone wanting to practice for IDPA. This is where your G34 or STI Eagle with magwell in an OWB blade tech with fashionable photographers vest would fit. That set up would not, for example, fit in LC Division. Must be concealed.

CARBINE

Pistol caliber or .22 LR carbine rifles will fit here. You will operate from the low ready start position. Full auto permitted with paperwork. .22LR will have to ring steel twice in lieu of knocking it down.

BUG

This is for the pocket size guns. LCP, LCR, KelTec, Bodyguard, etc. that is NOT carried in a belt holster. While pocket, ankle, and off body (purse, backpack) draws are not permitted at this time you may bring it to the line in that fashion. After the load command you will start the course from the low ready.

OC –Open Carry

Just wanna come shoot? This division is for you. Unconcealed strong side holster. Open top similar to blade tech or comp tac design fits here. Double belt ala USPSA is fine. Great place to get started in competition shooting.

I will be the final authority on what division you will fit in as well as if your gear fits the division you want to shoot in. There will not normally be a capacity limit on magazines. Some occasions will require a specified round count to start in order to force a reload but this will be the exception not the norm.

If you don't think what you have will fit in one of these divisions get with the Match Director. We will find a place for you to shoot or I will create a new division should the demand arise.

SCORING

We will be using Time Plus/Stage scoring with either USPSA or IDPA cardboard targets and various steel targets.

Unless otherwise stipulated in the written stage briefing, any cardboard target must be neutralized by either one A/B (USPSA) or -0 (IDPA) OR two hits anywhere inside the scoring perforations of the target. Commonly referred as (1 A or 2 anywhere).

SCORING PENALTIES

Failure to Neutralize – 5 second penalty

Miss – 10 second penalty

Failure to Engage – 15 second penalty

No Shoot – 5 second penalty

Procedural – 5 second penalty

Each stage is worth 100 points. First place on the stage will receive 100 points; second place and below will figure points on a percentage basis of the 100 from 1st place. Total points will then be accumulated for all stages will determine the match placement. Eventually by division.

I am the HMFIC. You may contact me with any questions on anything. If I don't know the answer we can make it up together.