

# PA 25 m BLACK POWDER – RAPID FIRE STAGE v2011-2

## Before the competition:

- 'NO SMOKING' signs displayed (**mandatory**)
- Eye protection (**mandatory for all**)
- Hearing protection
- Stopwatch
- Targets
- Patches
- Score sheets (Registers)
- Be familiar with operation of the timer

**Check range is clear of personnel**

## **10 minutes before the start time...**

### **“PREPARATION TIME BEGINS NOW”**

- Start stopwatch
- Check that all personnel are wearing eye protection (mandatory)
- Firing Caps is permitted **only** after the Range Officer has checked that there is no exposed powder and given permission.

## **After 10 (ten) minutes, stop stopwatch, and call...**

### **“SIGHTING ( first, second, third, fourth) SERIES ... LOAD, BUT DO NOT CAP”**

- Shooters load their revolvers at the loading table behind the firing line.
- When all the shooters appear to have loaded (but not capped) their pistols, the Range Officer checks that the range is clear and gives the command...

### **“RANGE CLEAR”**

- The shooters bring their pistols to the firing line, put them in the half-cock condition and place them on the firing bench.

## **When all the shooters have brought their pistols to the firing bench...**

### **“CAP PISTOLS”**

- The shooters cap their pistols, put them in the half-cock condition and place them on the firing bench.

## **When all the shooters have capped their pistols, and returned them to the firing bench...**

### **“ASSUME THE READY”**

## **After 30 (thirty) seconds...**

### **“ATTENTION”** turn the targets away, and start the timer sequence

- After the series...

### **“STOP ... UNLOAD”**

- Deal with any malfunctions/misfires
- Repeat the procedure above for each series

### At the end of the relay and all personnel have returned:

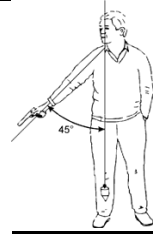
- Clear all pistols for casing and removal
- Complete Range Report, and forward to Classification Office



## Target

PA Service Pistol Target

## Ready Position



## Course of Fire

**Preparation Time = 10 minutes**

### **Sighting series**

- 1 series of 5-shots, each at a 3-second exposure

### **Competition series**

- 4 series of 5-shots, each at a 3-second exposure

### **Re-shoots**

- Only one re-shoot per series

### Misfires

- For a misfire (i.e. the hammer falls without discharge) for whatever reason, the shooter must wait **FIVE (5)** seconds with the revolver in a safe direction **before re-cocking**.
- For revolvers with **swing-out cylinders**, the shooter must wait **FIFTEEN (15)** seconds with the revolver in a safe direction **before opening the action**.

### Also:

- Loading machines and powder flasks must be approved by Equipment Control before use.
- **All personnel must** wear eye protection from the time **PREPARATION TIME** is announced, until the completion of the stage.

## **SAFETY**

- **‘NO SMOKING’** signs **must be displayed and enforced**. There is to be **NO** smoking or naked flames on a Black Powder range.
- **Extra percussion caps** must be covered while firing is in progress.
- **Loaded chambers** must be greased.