

Target Pistol



SSAA Target Pistol is an international rimfire and centrefire revolver and self-loading pistol shooting discipline. It includes four main matches, with competitors shooting single-handedly from the standing position at paper targets placed at 25 and 50m. Its history is in different eras of police and service shooting.

Firearms and classes

Any .22-calibre Pistol or Revolver permits any .22-calibre handgun using any .22 rimfire cartridge, with sights including telescopic or red dot. Standard Smallbore Pistol .22-calibre Rimfire permits any .22 rimfire pistol with metallic/iron sights.

Distinguished Revolver permits any factory-made revolver capable of chambering and firing a 158-grain round-nose or semi-wadcutter .38 Special cartridge. Any Centrefire Pistol or Revolver permits any .32-calibre or larger centrefire handgun.

Any .45 Pistol or Revolver permits any .45-calibre centrefire handgun, allowed by state or territory law. M9 Distinguished Service Pistol Match permits a Beretta 92 9mm pistol or commercial pistol of the same type and calibre. Open Revolver Match uses an Any Sight .32- to .38-calibre revolver with a maximum barrel length including cylinder of 10".

Courses of fire

The National Match Course includes 10 shots slow-fire in 10 minutes and strings of five shots rapid-fire in 10 seconds, totalling 30 shots.

The 900 Match Course is the basis for National Championships and includes slow-fire and rapid-fire strings, totalling 90 shots.

The International Mayleigh Match is a side match. The class permits the same handguns used in the Any .22-calibre Pistol or Revolver event and comprises three strings of 10 shots slow-fire at 50m.

The Short Course Match comprises the slow-fire stage shot at 25m/yards on a reduced size B16 target.

Targets and scoring

The National Match Course and 900 Match Course are shot on NRA B6 50-yard and B8 25-yard targets. The International Mayleigh Match is shot on the International Slow-Fire Target. Targets are scored after each 10-shot stage.

