

Sporting Shooters Association Australia



Law Enforcement Activities Division

Tenth Anniversary

International Tournament

Match Notice and Range Instruction

Law Enforcement Activities Discipline Courses of Fire

Sat 11 + Sun 12 October 2025

Hosted by SSAA ACT, Majura, Canberra

Conducted by Australian Protective Service Gun Club



Match Authority

This Match Notice gives advance information of matches and the conditions of competition. This Match Notice may serve as the official program unless changes require production of a further bulletin.

The Match Notice read with any further bulletin, then serves as the official program and overrides this announcement where any changes may have been made.

Match Notices may be found on the SSAA website under Disciplines, Law Enforcement Activities (LEAD), Downloads.

Match and Range Rules

SSAA Standard Rules

LEAD Guidelines and SSAA LEAD PPC, APS and APS150 Challenge Match Rules, includes SAA Standard Rules and requirement for eligibility (licensed shooters only, SSAA member for awards).

Match Directors discretion re conditions/conduct as per the Match Notice; but not the shooting rules

NRA (USA) PPC Rules governing gun divisions of Open, Distinguished and Duty/Service Range Standing Orders

Local Legislation requirements

Introduction

The Law Enforcement Activities Discipline (LEAD) of SSAA creates an opportunity for interested shooters to take part in a widely inclusive competition environment which values law enforcement related interests. To this end, the Match Director may depart from some traditional customs in favour of encouraging entry level shooters.

Shooters individual scores will be collated and ranked by the level of gun type that they use; this is to recognise the differences in levels of equipment available to each group.

NRA Gun Divisions apply.

Shooters are rated by the type of gun they own. If you own an Open gun, you are an "Open" shooter. Shooters are only eligible for awards in their ranked gun division. Open is not eligible for Distinguished or Duty, Open and Distinguished are not eligible for Duty.

Shooters are NOT compelled to compete against a higher level of equipment.

Shooters may also nominate in any of the gun divisions within the NRA definition of Open, Distinguished and Duty and with their personal choice of either revolver or semi auto. Score collation will show the scores of "otherwise ranked" shooters as an addendum after the divisions scores.

A successful event will be one which enables the shooter to bring along his favoured gun and compete equitably in safe and supportive environment along with fellow shooters, including those from the law enforcement community.

Outline

Appointments:

Oversight will be by the LEAD National Chairman, Bob PIERCE.

Local Supervision will be by the SSAA ACT State Discipline Chairman, Lawrie Whiley.

Chief Range Officer will be Dave CHADWICK'

Head Scorer will be Amanda CHADWICK

The Courses of Fire:

The four LEAD Courses of Fire, PPC48, Hybrid PPC72, APS90 and APS150 will be run as separate competitions in the following historical order.

PPC48

This is the usual PPC 48 round course of fire for Duty guns, ie four inch revolvers and five inch s autos, in standard, “issue”, out of the box condition, no modifications.

PPC72

This is a Hybrid PPC course for Distinguished and Open guns. PPC72 is made up of the PPC48 round duty course of fire, as above, plus the 50m detail. Distinguished ie six inch revolvers and semi autos, in standard, “issue”, out of the box condition, no modifications. Open ie as above with modification.

See USA NRA PPC Rules

Duty, Distinguished and Open can fire the 48 round course together. Distinguished and Open Guns then go on to fire the usual 24 round detail at 50m.

No shooting skills are lost, and the round count is reduced.

Scores are collated in the normal gun divisions.

APS90

The usual Australian 90 rounds course, fired from 50m, 25m, 10m and 7m.

For this International event and to fit into the range layout the usual LEAD 7m to 50m format is reversed. This event may be run immediately after and conjointly with the PPC72.

APS150 Challenge

This course is designed to be challenging for the experienced shooter. It consists of 150 rounds fired from 3m to 50m, in timed, positional shooting from the holster, including timed moving between positions, including some barricades, single hand, change hand, and target to target drills. The total 150 rounds are fired in one continuous sequence. All gun divisions fire the course together.

This course will be fired last.

Conditions

Competitors are required to demonstrate familiarity with, and safe conduct of this type of course of fire including holster proficiency etc.

During the nomination process, and prior to commencement, the Match Director will cause to have documented, an acceptable, appropriate level of competence for each shooter. Some RPL may be acceptable from sources familiar with this type of event and assessment and documentation will be available on the preparation days.

Competency records will be collated for each shooter and securely retained for future reference.

The information about shooters which is necessary to collate scores will be recorded on the score sheet.

Scoring will be on the range, after each firing of a detail, carried out by independent scorers.

At the completion of each course of fire, score sheets go to the scorer’s desk.

Shooters scores will be collated and ranked within their Gun Division.

To reflect and encourage the nature and interests of the Discipline, the gun divisions will be ranked in order: i.e. divisions are favoured above others in order. This order is ranked by level of difficulty indicated by choice of pistol.

Ranking of the Gun Divisions will be that Duty is the favoured division, followed by Distinguished, and then Open. Rating of Shooters is by the type of gun they own, an Open gun owner is an Open shooter. If the Open shooter decides to shoot in Duty, the collated score sheet will show an Addendum – “Open shooter using Duty gun”.

Medals and Prizes will be awarded as per the LEAD Guidelines, dependant on nominations, sponsors and shooter participation and input.

Notice of intent to attend is appreciated by the organisers. Fees payable in cash on the day.

Pre Nomination information will include documentation of the required conditions as above.

Conduct

All shooters are required for the daily MANDATORY Range Safety Briefing, followed by the relevant, Specific Competition Briefings, before firing commences.

The courses will be fired in the following order: PPC48, PPC72, APS90 then APS150 Challenge.

Shooting will be timed, positional shooting from the holster. Shooters may be moving between positions, using barricades and foot line faults, as well as single hand, change hand, and target to target drills.

Separate collation of the gun division scores will be conducted at the end of shooting.

All shooters are inherently responsible to maintain and monitor safety as well as assisting the conduct of the shoot.

Shooters undergo the course of fire as individuals, no coaching.

The CRO will provide independent supervision and scoring as required on the range.

The CRO may appoint a Detail RO to conduct each detail, on each range. A detailed RO would form up their detail, conduct their detail and retire with them so that the RO may then have an opportunity to personally prepare to take part in the competition later.

Firing positions on the range will be allocated as shooters report to the range officer, ready to shoot.

As details fill up, the next detail may form up behind the bay, under the direction of their own Detail RO; they can be briefed and ready to step up as soon as the range is cleared.

The order of firing is :

For PPC48 and PPC72, all details will begin shooting from 3m and move back to 25m. Open and Distinguished shooters would then fire the 50m detail, possibly at another location.

For APS90, for this event, firing commences at 50m and moves down range to finish at 7m.

For APS150 Challenge, all details will begin shooting from 3m and move back to 50m, then forward to 3m again for the final detail. As the course of fire is designed to test individual skills in a continuing exercise, all details must be fired in order, and in one continuous detail. Unfortunately, in the case of one or more details, this may involve removal and replacement of 25m barricades, and/or moving to another range to complete.

Multiple details may be run to facilitate participation by shooters in extra gun divisions.

“Supplementary Detail” - In the case of law enforcement oriented officers with shift work or operational commitments which precludes this timing, a supplementary detail may be requested, if conditions allow. If three or more competitors find that they can attend at another time, but within the allocated time for the competition. A supplementary detail could proceed, if a LEAD RO is available and the Match Director, the State Chair and National Chair agree that the prior arrangement is an appropriate supplement to the competition. In this case presentations would have to be held over. PRIOR Notice necessary.

Collection of score sheets will be at end of course of fire, once submitted, score is final.

Points scored by LEAD shooters in all LEAD competitions maybe accumulated and recognised annually.

Acknowledgement of support and sponsors will be made at opening of the end of shoot de brief etc. The Law Enforcement Activities Discipline National meeting will be conducted at the end of shooting but before display of scores. Display of scores will be at the end of the meeting and before the presentation.

Timings

PRIOR NOTICE OF INTENT TO COMPETE ASSISTS THE RANGE STAFF .

0830 SHOOTERS REGISTER AND PRESENT WITH ALL SHOOTING AND SAFETY EQUIP, READY FOR SCRUTINEERING, GENERIC SAFETY, AND COMPETITION BRIEFING.

0900 COMPETITION COMMENCES.

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MEETING

Meetings are held at the end of the course of fire, and before scores and presentation. THE LEAD NATIONAL MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE COMPLETION OF THE MATCHES AS DELEGATES BECOME AVAILABLE

ADMIN .

During the six months prior to the event, access to the Tournament Director and his organisers will be by mail or e mail. Hopefully matters of eligibility, competence, scrutiny, qualification (holster and other) etc. can be clarified and recorded during this time to help comply with the requirement of documenting competence prior to taking part. This arrangement will continue until close of business two days before shooting commences. After that date, no further business can be conducted by this method. Contact with the organisers will revert to the Range Office which will open on the day before the shoot.

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Postal: PO Box 4324, Kingston. ACT. 2604

Alternate;

Mobile phone number: 0427172277 /Bob

E mail address: lawenforcementactivities@disciplines.ssaa.org.au

Postal: SSAA LEAD, PO Box 241, Stanthorpe, 4380.

Fees

Fees will be set by the host club to cover expenses of conducting the shoot and presentations.

Range Fee – SSAA Member \$15

Visitor Fee – Non SSAA Member \$25

Registration Fee

Nomination Fee PPC72 is \$5

Nomination Fee APS90 is \$10

Nomination Fee APS150 Challenge is \$10.

Payment of fees is not required until nomination at the range on the day of the shoot.

Determinations at the time of the shoot may indicate what fees are required.

Prior “Notice of Intent” or “Pre Nomination” is appreciated as advance notice facilitates planning especially for extra gun divisions.

Facilities

The SSAA Majura complex is located at 50 Hector McIntosh Grove just off the Majura Parkway

The range for this event is located at the end of Hector McIntosh Grove.

There is a clubhouse, toilets, coffee etc. Electronic sign in. There is some overhead cover at rear of firing lines.

Close to Highway from Sydney, turn off toward Airport, range on left.

Further down that road is access by turning right via Duntroon, War Museum to Canberra.

If you keep going on past the range and airport you will come to Queanbeyan.

Motel, servo with shop and Tavern at Eaglehawk on Highway. Shopping complex adjacent to airport. Further along Federal Highway.

Accommodation

There are many accommodation choices nearby along arterial roads.

SSAA Policies

SSAA National events Cancellation/Postponement Policy

An event may be postponed or cancelled at any time by SSAA National, SSAA State Office or club directive. Club's and branches must comply with their state's health directives. SSAA National will not be liable for reimbursement to competitors for any costs associated with a postponed or cancelled SSAA National championship or Australia Day event for any reason, including COVID-19.

By submitting this nomination, I acknowledge and agree to the SSAA National Event Cancellation/Postponement Policy.

SSAA Queensland event Cancellation/Postponement Policy.

An event may be postponed or cancelled at any time by SSAA (Qld.) Inc.

SSAA Queensland will not be liable for reimbursement to competitors for any costs associated with a postponed or cancelled SSAA Queensland event for any reason, including COVID-19.

By submitting this nomination, I acknowledge and agree to the SSAA Queensland Event Cancellation/Postponement Policy.

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