

## **Striker-Fire Challenge - Background**

The idea for HH&A's Striker-Fire Challenge match came from the Glock Sport Shooting Foundation's (GSSF) "Camp Perry National Challenge" match held at Camp Perry, Ohio by the Civilian Marksmanship Program as part of the National Pistol Matches in July.

Since there are a lot of shooters who have striker-fired pistols for self or home protection, we thought it would be lot of fun to hold a match and invite them to compete with them.

Our goals are to promote safe gun handling and marksmanship, and to provide an avenue to introduce new shooters to competitive shooting at our club. You don't need to spend a lot of money on equipment to get started, and the course of fire is simple. But, the time limits are challenging and accuracy is important. We think shooters of all skill levels will have fun shooting this match.

Rather than restrict our matches to Glock pistols, we will allow use of any striker-fired pistol, regardless of brand, with magazines capable of holding 10 rounds.

The matches will be held at HH&A Police Pistol Combat Range #2. The combat range has 24 firing points. Multiple relays will be held to accommodate a large attendance and allow shooters the opportunity to fire multiple relays and use multiple guns if they like. Gun classes will include Stock Auto (iron sights only) and Open Auto (red dots and other modifications allowed). Competitors may shoot in either or both gun classes. Awards will be given out for both gun classes and will use the Lewis Classification System to determine winners for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Places in Lewis Classes A, B, and C. See the Striker-Fire Challenge Match Flyer for more details.

NRA D-1 (P) Tombstone targets will be used. Scoring and target repair will be done downrange by the shooters after 30 shots are fired, and again after 50 shots when the match is over.

The match will be run by a Range Officer to ensure its safe operation. Competitors will start with a loaded gun in-hand from a low-ready position at each firing line. Firing lines will be set at 5, 7, 10, 15, and 25 yards. Upon hearing the start signal at each firing line, competitors will fire 10 shots rapid fire in 15 seconds. Any shots fired after the stop signal has sounded will count as misses. Maximum possible score in a match is 500-50x.

To help keep the flow of the match timely, it is recommended that competitors come to the firing line with 5 magazines pre-loaded with 10 rounds each.

Note: We don't want to exclude any single stack striker guns (e.g., Glock 43, Springfield XDS, S&W Shield). For those types of guns, you may use up to two magazines if needed, but NO MORE than 10 rounds total per stage.

Although we will not draw from holsters in the match, competitors may use a holster to safely hold their unloaded guns for convenience. Unloaded guns must be kept bagged or holstered until given permission to handle. Loading of pistols will be only be done on the firing line under command of the Range Officer calling the line.

Safety at the match is paramount. A safety briefing will be held prior to the start of the matches to go over the range rules. The use of hearing and eye protection is mandatory for all shooters and spectators at the range.