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# The National Rifle Association 11th NRA World Action Pistol Championship & 40th NRA Bianchi Cup Championship Presented by:

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# SECTION A – CHAMPIONSHIP OFFICIALS

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Thank you to the Championship Officials. We all appreciate your dedication to the shooting sports and to the NRA.

# SECTION B – LOGISTICS

#### **CHAMPIONSHIPS RANGE**

Green Valley Rifle and Pistol Club 4350 Academy Rd Hallsville, MO 65255 573-696-3738 gvshoot.com

#### PRACTICE RANGE

Green Valley Rifle and Pistol Club 5030 N Wyatt Ln Columbia, MO 65201 573-474-2664 gvshoot.com

The practice range will be in operation per the schedule in Section C. Members of the Green Valley Rifle and Pistol Club run the practice rage as a courtesy to competitors. Practice range fees are separate from Championship entry fees. Daily range access is limited and available for just \$15 per day on a first-come, first-served basis. AP-1 targets and bottled water is available for just \$1 each.

Bianchi Club Membership is available for just \$70 and provides full range access from 8 am – 8 pm for the month of May. Competitors must display their membership card upon arrival at the range. Liability waivers are required.

#### FUNCTION RANGE

A twenty-five (25) yard range with targets

will be available for function test firing only. This range is located on bay five (5). Range Officers will be present during the Championships to administrate its operation. To utilize the range, the competitor must be under direct supervision of a Championship Official, Chief Range Officers, or Range Officer.

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP HOTEL**

Holiday Inn Executive Center – Columbia 2200 I-70 Drive S.W. Columbia, MO 65203 1 – 800 – HOLIDAY 573.445.8531 ext. 716 573.446.2735 Fax holidaycolumbia.com reservations@holidaycolumbia.com

The Holiday Inn Executive Center will provide a shooter's rate to competitors who use their accommodations. The nightly rate for competitors is just \$99.95 for rooms with one to four (1 - 4) person occupancy. NR8 is the code to secure this rate.

#### **CAMPGROUNDS AND RV'S**

Cottonwood RV Park and Campground 888.303.3313 573.474.2747 cottonwoodsrvpark.com

# TRAVEL

Columbia Regional Airport (COU) 11300 S. Airport Rd Columbia, MO 65201 Lambert International Airport (STL) 10701 Lambert International Blvd St. Louis, MO 63145

Kansas City International (MCI) 601 Brasilia Avenue Kansas City, MO 64153

For regulations governing transportation of firearms via airline, visit tsa.gov, as well as the web site for the airlines you are traveling.

Competitors are responsible for providing their own transportation to and from the range as well as securing lodging and travel to and from the Championships. For further information on interstate transportation of firearms, visit nraila.org.

#### **TELEPHONE INQUIRIES**

Prior to the week of the Championships start date, call 703.267.1478. Within one (1) week of the Championships start date, call 573.445.8531 x716.

#### Meals

Lutz BBQ 573.443.4227 lutzbbq.com

Lutz BBQ will provide vending at the range for the duration of the Championships. They will accept payment in the form of cash or check.

Ітем	PRICE
Cinnamon Puffs (2)	\$1
Coffee	\$2
Bottle Water	\$1
Soda	\$1
Hamburger	\$6
Cheeseburger	\$6.50
Pulled Pork Sandwich	\$6
GRILLED CHICKEN SANDWICH	\$6
Breaded Pork Tenderloin	\$7
Homemade Chips	\$4
Add Chips to any Sandwich	\$2
ADD CHIPS, CREAMY COLE SLAW, & DRINK	\$4

# SECTION C - REGISTRATION

#### **COMPETITOR ELIGIBILITY**

All competitors of countries that have officially adopted the NRA Action Pistol Program are eligible to compete in both Championships. Previous year's competitors have received invitations to compete.

#### ENTRY LIMIT

Entries shall be limited per the schedule below. NRA will accept entries on a firstcome, first-served basis determined by earliest date received.

Event	ENTRIES
World Championship	256
NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	384
Multi-Gun Match	128
CMP SIDE MATCH	270

#### ENTER ONLINE

Enter the NRA World Action Pistol Championship prior to the start date at competitions.nra.org/WAPCOnlineSignup/.

Enter the NRA Bianchi Cup National Championship prior to the start date at bianchicup.nra.org/bianchiregistration.

# ENTER BY MAIL

Competitors may request an entry form in writing. Mailed entry forms must arrive at NRA headquarters no later than two (2) weeks prior to the Championship start date.

A completed IRS Form W9 (US citizens) or

W8-BEN (International) must accompany each hard copy entry form. Download the IRS form at irs.gov.

Complete both forms and mail to National Rifle Association, Attn: Bianchi Cup Coordinator, 11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax, VA 22030.

# GUEST ENTRY

Competitors may register guests to observe the Championships and attend all social gatherings. Guests must comply with each events dress code and present a ticket to gain access to all events.

# ENTRY CHANGES

If you have any changes to your entry, notify NRA staff prior to close of registration per the schedule of events in Section D.

# REGISTRATION

Registration and packet pick up for all competitors will open per the schedule of events in Section D.

# SQUADDING

Individuals shall be squadded at the discretion of the Championship Officials. Competitor packets will include squad sheets detailing competitor firing times and dates for each Championship. Special events squadding will occur at registration.

# REFUNDS

Send cancellation requests in writing via

mail or email to the NRA Pistol Manager. NRA will give consideration for extenuating circumstances.

Request Date	<u>Penalty</u>
On or before March 1	33%
On or before April 1	67%
On or before May 18	100%

### COMPETITOR'S BRIEF AND RULES Q&A

First time competitors must attend the competitors brief held per the schedule in Section C. At this time, competitors are encouraged to seek clarification on events, rules, and safety practices.

# NRA WORLD ACTION PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM ELIGIBILITY

To make up teams, an Open shooter may shoot in more than one team but in a different division. For example, Open and Metallic, or Open and Production, NOT Metallic and Production. Each country shall be entitled to enter a maximum of 21 competitors plus a Team Captain and Adjutant (if non-firing).

Teams must designate a Team Captain (TC). Only the TC may make team entries. At the time of registration, the TC must provide the team name, member names, and submit team entries and fees on the day of registration per the schedule in Section C.

"Pickup" teams, who select members without regard to club or other organization

affiliation, are not eligible to enter.

# NRA WORLD ACTION PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY FEE

Remember to submit entry fees with the individual entry form. It is the competitor's responsibility to submit entries properly and on time.

Entry	FEE
4-Person Team	\$200
2-Person Team	\$100
INDIVIDUAL ENTRY BY MARCH 1	\$250
INDIVIDUAL ENTRY BY MAY 1	\$300
INDIVIDUAL ENTRY BY MAY 11	\$350
ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY	\$250
New Competitor Entry	\$250
JUNIOR ENTRY	\$150
GUEST MEALS	\$40

# NRA WORLD ACTION PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS PER COUNTRY

ΤΕΑΜ	PERSONS	#
TEAM CAPTAIN (NON-FIRING)	1	
Adjutant (non-firing)	1	
Open	4	3
Open Alternate	1	
METALLIC	2	1
PRODUCTION	2	1
Women's	2	1
JUNIOR'S	2	1

# NRA WORLD ACTION PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP INDIVIDUAL CATEGORIES

Competitors may register as an individual into the following categories. See Section 2 of the rulebook for details.

Individual	Woman
Metallic	Junior
Production	Senior

# NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY FEE

Remember to submit entry fees with the individual entry form. It is the competitor's responsibility to submit entries properly and on time.

Entry	FEE
ENTRY BY JANUARY 31	\$300
ENTRY BY FEBRUARY 28	\$350
ENTRY BY APRIL 30	\$400
ENTRIES AFTER APRIL 30	\$450
ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY	\$275
New Competitor Entry	\$275
JUNIOR ENTRY	\$275
Multi-Gun Match	\$125
4-Person Team Match	\$200
GUEST MEALS	\$75

# NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP Individual Divisions

Competitors may register as an individual into the following divisions. See Section 3 of the rulebook for details.

Metallic	Production
Open	

# NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATION

Competitors may register as an individual into the following classifications. See Section 19 of the rulebook for details.

High Master Master Expert Sharpshooter Marksman Unclassified

# NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP Individual Categories

Competitors may register as an individual into the following categories. See Section 2 of the rulebook for details.

Civilian	New Competitor
Police	International
Service	Revolver
Junior	Senior
Woman	Grand Senior

# NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP Multi-Gun Match Divisions

Competitors may register as an individual under a different division than the division used during the NRA Bianchi Cup Championship. See Section 3 of the rulebook for details.

Metallic	Production
Open	

### NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM MATCH DIVISIONS

Competitors may register as a team into the following divisions. See Section 3 of the rulebook for details.

Metallic Open Production

# NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM MATCH CATEGORIES

Competitors may register as a team into the following categories. See Section 2 of the rulebook for details.

Civilian	Police
Industry	Service
International	Senior

#### NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP Side Matches

There is no additional fee for side matches. Competitors may enter side matches by checking in with the Chief Range Officer no later than 3 pm each day.

# SECTION D - SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

ALL TIMES AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

#### MAY 14 – 25

Competitor Practice Columbia – GV R&P

8 am – 8 pm

#### FRIDAY, MAY 18

World Action Pistol Championship Registration & Firearms Inspection Hallsville – GV R&P 10 am – 4 pm

COMPETITOR BRIEF & RULES Q&A HOLIDAY INN 7:30 PM – 10 PM

#### SATURDAY, MAY 19

1<sup>st</sup> Shot Ceremony Hallsville – GV R&P

7:45 AM

WORLD ACTION PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP DAY 1HALLSVILLE – GV R&P8 AM – 5 PM

SIDE MATCHES HALLSVILLE – GV R&P

8 am – 4 pm

#### SUNDAY, MAY 20

WORLD ACTION PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIP DAY 2HALLSVILLE – GV R&P8 AM – 5 PM

SIDE MATCHES HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 8 AM – 4 PM

World Action Pistol Championship Awards Ceremony Holiday Inn 6 pm – 8 pm

# Monday, May 21

BIANCHI CUP REGISTRATION & FIREARMS INSPECTION DAY 1 HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 10 AM – 4 PM

Competitor Brief & Rules Q&A Holiday Inn 7:30 pm – 10 pm

# TUESDAY, MAY 22

BIANCHI CUP REGISTRATION & FIREARMS INSPECTION DAY 2 HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 10 AM – 4 PM

Multi-Gun Match (Special Event) Hallsville – GV R&P 8 am – 5 pm

Staff Only Dinner Piccadilly

7 pm – 9 pm

8 AM - 5 PM

8 AM – 4 PM

6 PM – 8 PM

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 23

1<sup>ST</sup> SHOT CEREMONY HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 7:45 AM

BIANCHI CUP DAY 1 HALLSVILLE – GV R&P

SIDE MATCHES HALLSVILLE – GV R&P

Competitor Social Holiday Inn

#### THURSDAY, MAY 24

BIANCHI CUP DAY 2 HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 8 AM – 5 PM SIDE MATCHES HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 8 AM – 4 PM

Western BBQ Holiday Inn

6:30 pm - 8 pm

#### FRIDAY, MAY 25

BIANCHI CUP DAY 3 HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 8 AM – 12 PM ALL TIMES AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

SIDE MATCHES HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 8 AM – 12 PM

BIANCHI CUP RESHOOTS, TIES, ETC. HALLSVILLE – GV R&P 1 PM – 5 PM

BIANCHI CUP COCKTAILS, DINNER, AWARDS CEREMONY HOLIDAY INN 6:30 PM – 10 PM

# SECTION E – EVENT DETAILS

## NRA World Action Pistol Championship

The NRA World Action Pistol Championship is a Squadded Team Match that will occur over two (2) days per the schedule of events in Section D. Competitors will fire no more than two (2) events in any one (1) day. See rule 1.7 (k) in the Action Pistol rulebook for details.

### NRA BIANCHI CUP CHAMPIONSHIP

The NRA Bianchi Cup Championship is a Squadded Individual Match that will occur over three (3) days per the schedule of events in Section D. Competitors will fire no more than two (2) events in any one (1) day. See Rule 1.7 (h) in the Action Pistol rulebook for details.

# MULTI-GUN MATCH (SPECIAL EVENT)

The Multi-Gun Match is an Aggregate Match that will occur over one (1) day per the schedule of events in Section D. See Rule 1.7 (m) in the Action Pistol rulebook for details.

# TEAM MATCH (SPECIAL EVENT)

The Team Match is a paper match that will occur during the NRA Bianchi Cup Championship. Each member of the four (4) person team will contribute to the team aggregate from only one (1) of the four (4) events. Team members must determine which event will score for each team member prior to the close of registration.

# EVENT I: PRACTICAL EVENT SPONSORED BY: KIMBER

Rounds	48 TOTAL
TARGETS	NRA AP-1
DISTANCES	10, 15, 25, 50-YARD
Procedure	SEE RULES 7.6, 10.22

# EVENT II: BARRICADE EVENT SPONSORED BY: TBD

Rounds	48 TOTAL
TARGETS	NRA AP-1
DISTANCES	10, 15, 25, 35-yard
PROCEDURE	SEE RULES 7.7, 10.23

# EVENT III: MOVING TARGET EVENT (MODIFIED) SPONSORED BY: TBD

Rounds	48 TOTAL
TARGETS	NRA AP-1
DISTANCES	10, 15, 20, 25-YARD
Procedure	SEE RULES 7.8, 10.24

# EVENT IV: OLIN "OLI" C. BARJENBRUCH FALLING PLATE EVENT

#### SPONSORED BY: TBD

Rounds	48 TOTAL
TARGETS	8" ROUND, METAL PLATES
DISTANCES	10, 15, 20, 25-yard
Procedure	SEE RULES 7.9, 10.25

All Championships and Special Events will consist of the aggregate scores from the following four (4) events: Practical, Barricade, Falling Plate, and Moving Target (Modified).

The highest possible score is 1920 – 192X.

The World Champion, National Champion, Multi-Gun Champion, and Team Champion will be determined by the final aggregate score or by a shoot off in the case of unbreakable ties. All ties will be broken according to the NRA Action Pistol Rule Book.

# SIDE MATCHES (SPECIAL EVENT)

The side matches are a Squadded Individual match that will occur per the schedule of events in Section D. The competitor may use different equipment from those used in the Championships or as directed by the side match sponsor. Side matches may use AP-1 or other approved targets. See Rule 1.7 (i) in the Action Pistol rulebook for details.

Competitors shall report to and remain in the staging area provided at each firing range at least fifteen (15) minutes before their assigned firing time. Fifteen (15) minutes prior to the assigned firing time a Range Officer will announce the competitors' first call. Ten (10) minutes prior to the assigned firing time a Range Officer will announce the competitors' second call. Failure to check-in by the second call will result in disqualification for the event.

# SECTION F - RULES

## Rules

The NRA Action Pistol Shooting Rules, Official Program, and Match Director's Bulletin shall govern the Championships.

### SAFETY

All competitors will observe firearms safety practices. Safety violations in side matches will result in disqualification from all side matches, not from the Championships.

### MEDICAL EMERGENCY

Report any medical emergency immediately to the Championship Officials or range personnel.

#### **FIREARMS INSPECTION**

Firearms inspection will occur at the Hallsville – Green Valley Range per the schedule of events in Section D.

#### EYE AND EAR PROTECTION

Everyone is required to wear eye and ear protection in and around the firing line. Eye and ear protection are available for purchase in the Vendor area.

# CONDUCT

Good sportsmanship, professionalism, and safety are important principles of the sport of pistol shooting and shall be requirements for attendance or participation in the Championships. Any person who is unable to act accordingly shall be instructed to leave the range and may be disqualified from further participation in the Championships and its associated events. See section 9 in the Action Pistol rulebook for details.

# **F**IREARMS

Firearms on the range must be in a holster or case.

# HOLSTERS

Competitors may not use holsters that violate safety considerations, such as shoulder, chest, and other such designs. See Section 3 of the rulebook for details.

# AMMUNITION

The competitor shall bring sufficient ammunition to fire each event, including any potential re-shoots, tiebreakers, function test firing, and Chronograph testing.

Each competitor will provide a sampling of ammunition from a magazine, speed loader, or bag upon request of a Championship Official during the Championships for testing at the Chronograph. Failure of ammunition to conform to the standards established in rule 3.17 in the Action Pistol rulebook will result in disqualification.

Ammunition used in side matches may be different, but still must meet power factor requirements.

Fired brass that falls to the ground shall become the property of the Green Valley Rifle and Pistol Club.

# DRESS CODE

It is strongly recommended that articles of clothing be worn that will insure the comfort and safety of all competitors and range personnel.

Attire worn during all phases of the Championships will be in good taste and appropriate. No person will wear articles of clothing with controversial or offensive slogans, or illustrations.

The Match Director is empowered to take whatever action is necessary to maintain acceptable clothing standards.

Competitors will wear the competitor bib number provided in the competitor packet on their shirt back, in full view while competing in the Championships. The competitor forfeits assigned time slots for any event in which the bib number is not in full view.

Casual attire is appropriate for the NRA World Action Pistol Championship award ceremony, as well as the social gatherings held throughout the week of the Championships

Semi-formal attire is appropriate for the NRA Bianchi Cup Championship award

ceremony. The competitor forfeits their entry to the award ceremony if not dressed accordingly.

# **GROUND COVER**

The Green Valley Rifle and Pistol Club shall provide ground cover (i.e. shooting mats).

# GLOVES

Gloves may be worn which do not form an artificial support. You must wear the glove(s) during the whole event. See rules 3.11, 3.18, and 5.2 in the Action Pistol rulebook for details.

# POSITIONS

It is the competitor's responsibility to assume the correct ready position and maintain a proper firing position during the event. See rule 5.3 and 5.12 in the Action Pistol rulebook and event rules outlined in Section D for more details.

# PENALTIES

Range Officers will issue no warnings regarding faults before or during an event. See event rules outlined in Section D for more details.

# TARGETS

All targets are the property of the Championships and shall not be removed nor retained by the competitors.

# SCORING

Scoring in events I, II, and III will take place

in the Central Scoring Area. Competitors may report to the area thirty (30) minutes after they complete an event to review targets and score card. If the competitor agrees, sign the card. Competitors must review targets thirty (30) minutes prior to the conclusion of that days firing. Targets will not be available for review the following day.

The use of the plug-type scoring gauge will be restricted to use by Official Referees only.

Scoring in event IV will take place at the rear of the stage. Steel must fall to score.

# TIES

In events I, II, and III ties will be broken following Rule 15.2. In event IV, ties will be broken following Rule 15.12. Tiebreakers in side matches are determined on a case-bycase basis.

#### CHALLENGES

If a competitor feels that a shot fired by himself or by another competitor has been improperly evaluated or scored they may challenge the ruling.

The competitor must make the challenge prior to signing the scorecard. If it is another competitor's target, then the competitor must make the challenge at least thirty (30) minutes after the conclusion of that days firing. The challenge time for statistical errors shall expire at 3:00 p.m. the following day except on the last championship date. After the posting of final scores on the last championship date, the competitor has two (2) hours to challenge for statistical errors.

CHALLENGE FEE	Fee / Target
COMPETITORS TARGET	\$10
ANOTHER COMPETITORS TARGET	\$20

Upon sustaining the competitors challenge, the challenge fee will return to the competitor. Upon rejecting the competitors challenge, the challenge fee will add to the general revenue of the Championships.

The decision of an NRA Official Referee shall be final. See rule 11.2 and Section 16 in the Action Pistol rulebook for details.

## **PROTESTS FILING PROCEDURE**

A competitor must initiate a protest immediately upon the occurrence of the protested incident. Failure to comply with the following procedure will automatically void the protest:

(1) State the complaint orally to the Chief Range Officer. If not satisfied with his decision then,

(2) State the complaint orally to an Official Referee. If not satisfied with his decision then,

(3) Obtain a protest form from the Chief Referee; complete the protest in writing stating all facts in the case. File the protest with the Chief Referee within two (2) hours of the protested incident. A protest fee of \$100.00 must accompany the written protest.

(4) The Championships Protest Committee will call a meeting to rule on the protest.The protesting competitor should be prepared to appear before the ProtestCommittee if requested to do so.

(5) Decisions made by the Championships Protest Committee are final.

If the Protest Committee sustains the protest, then the competitor will receive a refund. If the Protest Committee denies the protest, then the competitor will not receive a refund and it will transfer to the general revenue of the Championships. See Section 17 for details.

# COACHING

No person may coach another during the events in the Championships, which are individual in nature. See rule 9.10 and 12.2 in the Action Pistol rulebook for details.

# WEATHER

The Match Director may, at their discretion, cancel, extend, or alter the course of fire due to inclement weather or for any other reason considered worthy. It is the competitor's responsibility to remain in the immediate vicinity of the range and to be ready to resume shooting as soon as range personnel notify the competitors they will resume firing. Weather delays, if necessary, will occur in fifteen (15) minute intervals.

### **OFFICIAL TIMING**

In events where turning targets are used, time is taken for the period during which the target is fully exposed. Time is not checked on each individual shot but is computed on the indicated allowance for each string depending on the type of fire being conducted.

The official timing device in event IV will be an electronic timing device, which actuates the plate-locking bar.

The official timing device in side matches will be a sound actuated electronic timing device or turning targets.

The official back-up system will be a sound actuated electronic timing device in the event a target systems breaks down.

#### **CLASSIFICATION**

All event scores will apply for NRA Classification purposes. Action Pistol Rule 18.4 Classification will be in effect. See Section 14 of the rulebook for details.

## NATIONAL RECORDS

Competitors who complete an event with a score of 480-48x will have an opportunity to set National Records. NRA will recognize National Records over courses of fire as outlined in the NRA Action Pistol Shooting Section 17.

#### DISQUALIFICATIONS

Any safety violations as described in Rules 9.16, 9.17 and 9.17.1 that occur on the grounds of the Green Valley Rifle and Pistol Club at any time during the Championships, except for side matches, will lead to disqualification of that competitor from the entire Championship.

Dropping an unloaded firearm is not sufficient reason for disqualification. Competitors are cautioned not to pick up dropped firearms unless under the direction of a Championship Official. Dropping of an unloaded firearm and picking it up without the direction of a Championship Official comprises two (2) safety violations and is reason for disqualification.

Dropping a loaded firearm at any time during the Championships events shall result in disqualification of the competitor for the entire Championship.

# SECTION G – AWARDS

### Awards Distribution

Awards distribution will occur per the schedule of events in Section D. In the spirit of "Good Sportsmanship," competitors must be present at the Awards Banquet to accept any awards or prizes. Champion award winners are not eligible for category and class awards.

The NRA and Championship Officials shall assume no responsibility whatsoever for the transfer or transportation of any award, for the legal compliance of such transfer or transport, or for the loss, theft, or damage to same.

The winners, US Citizens and International, shall be solely responsible for all fees related to the transfer of any awards and/or prizes, including but not limited to possible license fees, transfer fees, handling fees, background fees, and/or shipping fees. The handling of all awards and/or prizes shall have reasonable security.

No shipping of prizes will occur after the conclusion of the Championships except for the 1920 award. Competitors shall forfeit any award and/or prize by failing to claim them at the awards office following the awards banquet.

Competitors who win trophies will receive them at the awards ceremony. NRA will

mail checks from headquarters after the conclusion of the Championships. All winners must sign for awards and/or prizes and receive official redemption documentation.

Competitors must submit a completed and subsequently validated IRS Form W-9 (US Citizens) and IRS W-8 BEN (International) upon entry into the Championships to be eligible for any awards or prizes. Competitors may not submit IRS forms after the close of registration.

International winners will have any cash prizes and/or awards issued less the 30% fee owed to the IRS. Any international winner in receipt of merchandise other than a cash award or trophy, plaque, or medal, will be responsible for paying the 30% when collecting the prize and or award. International competitors must claim and ship firearms prizes won through an appointed export agent in accordance with Federal law.

Competitors may not sell or trade firearm awards. In cases where the winner may not legally claim a firearm prize, or otherwise is ineligible, an appropriate substitution may occur if substitution prizes are available.

Citizens of any country may win the Championships, except by those whose countries restrict participation and winning their Championship to their own citizens.