

OSA Operational F-Class

General Concept:

The general concept of this course of fire is to develop operational marksmanship, sniper rifle handling drills and techniques and minor tactics. Wind reading skills become very important. Although no specific scenario is applied to these matches, they are designed to develop and practice those techniques that can be used on long-range operations.

The matches are being applied to a conventional rifle range and will be shot in relays so more competitors will have more opportunity to shoot. Therefore additional safety requirements are included.

The Range Officer will give a "Load" for each match. Each rifle will be cleared by the range officer before it can be removed from the firing point.

The matches will be conducted as for F-Class, with 2 or 3 shooters to the firing point. Each competitor will fire a single shot in turn until each has fired the course of fire.

Equipment:

The only rifle that is acceptable is one that would be logically and practically used on operations. It may be in any caliber that is legal for the range. Different rifles may be used throughout the competition.

There is a 10 kg weight limit to the rifle.

There are no limitations to the sight.

The use of a brake is permitted.

A field oriented, folding legs bipod is to be used to support the front of the rifle. A field expedient forward rifle rest is permitted. The rear may be supported with a "rabbit ear" bag or the equivalent field expedient type of rest.

Although the rifle may be tuned, adjusted or accurized, all of its functioning must be safe and must be such that it would be considered logical and practical on operations. Because this match is fired on a conventional range with supervision a safety catch is not required. The weight of the trigger pull must be 1 kg (2.2 lbs)

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Prizes:

Prizes are available for each match.

A prize is available for the aggregate of the matches.

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Match 1 - 300 Meters

Specifications:

- Distance: 300 meters;
- Position: Prone;
- Number of Shots: 2 sighters and 10 on score;
- Target: 25 yd Timed & Rapid Fire tgt superimposed on a 4 ft screen;
- Scoring: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4 rest of target;
- Type of Fire: Deliberate;
- HPS: 100-10X; and
- Time Limit: 24 minutes for 2 shooters/36 minutes for 3 shooters - 45 second rule in effect.

Procedures:

- These matches are shot IAW F-Class procedures. The competitors will be squadded 2 or 3 to a firing point, each firing a single shot in turn, starting with the competitor on the right. Once the shot is fired, it will be indicated and scored. The score will be recorded in the appropriate place on the shooters scorecard. The next competitor to the left will then fire a single shot and it will be indicated and scored - the value being recorded in the appropriate place on his scorecard. If there are 3 competitors to the firing point, the third shooter will now fire a single shot and have it indicated and scores as above. This procedure continues until each competitor has fired the required number of shots. The previous indication will remain on the target while the next shooter fires his shot. The last shot will only be patches out when there is a new shot on the target;
- If there are 2 to the firing point, the competitors will exchange scorecards and score for each other. If there are 3 to the firing point, the competitors will pass their card to the right. The right hand shooter will pass his card to the left hand shooter;
- Sighters are fired in the same manner and as part of the overall time as the record shot;
- If a competitor disagrees with the signaled value, he may challenge the indication through the RO. The challenge must be made while that shot is still showing on the target and before the next shooter fires his next shot; and
- Although there is an overall time limit, when it is a competitor's turn to fire, he must fire his shot within 45 second of the target being available to him to shoot. Failure to fire a shot within this time limit can result in the shot receiving a value of zero.

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Match 2 - 400 Meters

Specifications:

- Distance: 400 meters;
- Position: Prone;
- Number of Shots: 2 sighters and 10 on score;
- Target: International Rifle tgt (modified w/ X-ring) superimposed on a 4 ft screen;
- Scoring: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2 rest of target;
- Type of Fire: Deliberate;
- HPS: 100-10X; and
- Time Limit: 24 minutes for 2 shooters/36 minutes for 3 shooters - 45 second rule in effect.

Procedures:

- These matches are shot IAW F-Class procedures. The competitors will be squadded 2 or 3 to a firing point, each firing a single shot in turn, starting with the competitor on the right. Once the shot is fired, it will be indicated and scored. The score will be recorded in the appropriate place on the shooters scorecard. The next competitor to the left will then fire a single shot and it will be indicated and scored - the value being recorded in the appropriate place on his scorecard. If there are 3 competitors to the firing point, the third shooter will now fire a single shot and have it indicated and scores as above. This procedure continues until each competitor has fired the required number of shots. The previous indication will remain on the target while the next shooter fires his shot. The last shot will only be patches out when there is a new shot on the target;
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Match 3 - 500 Meters

Specifications:

- Distance: 500 meters;
- Position: Prone;
- Number of Shots: 2 sighters and 10 on score;
- Target: DCRA 300 meter superimposed on a 4 ft screen;
- Scoring: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6 rest of target;
- Type of Fire: Deliberate;
- HPS: 100-10X; and
- Time Limit: 24 minutes for 2 shooters/36 minutes for 3 shooters - 45 second rule in effect.

Procedures:

- These matches are shot IAW F-Class procedures. The competitors will be squadded 2 or 3 to a firing point, each firing a single shot in turn, starting with the competitor on the right. Once the shot is fired, it will be indicated and scored. The score will be recorded in the appropriate place on the shooters scorecard. The next competitor to the left will then fire a single shot and it will be indicated and scored - the value being recorded in the appropriate place on his scorecard. If there are 3 competitors to the firing point, the third shooter will now fire a single shot and have it indicated and scores as above. This procedure continues until each competitor has fired the required number of shots. The previous indication will remain on the target while the next shooter fires his shot. The last shot will only be patches out when there is a new shot on the target;
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- Sighters are fired in the same manner and as part of the overall time as the record shot;
- If a competitor disagrees with the signaled value, he may challenge the indication through the RO. The challenge must be made while that shot is still showing on the target and before the next shooter fires his next shot; and
- Although there is an overall time limit, when it is a competitor's turn to fire, he must fire his shot within 45 second of the target being available to him to shoot. Failure to fire a shot within this time limit can result in the shot receiving a value of zero.

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Match 4 - 600 Meters

Specifications:

- Distance: 600 meters;
- Position: Prone;
- Number of Shots: 2 sighters and 10 on score;
- Target: Repair Center 300 yds superimposed on a 4 ft screen;
- Scoring: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6 rest of target;
- Type of Fire: Deliberate;
- HPS: 100-10X; and
- Time Limit: 24 minutes for 2 shooters/36 minutes for 3 shooters - 45 second rule in effect.

Procedures:

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- Sighters are fired in the same manner and as part of the overall time as the record shot;
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Match 5 - 700 Meters

Specifications:

- Distance: 700 meters;
- Position: Prone;
- Number of Shots: 2 sighters and 10 on score;
- Target: International Rifle tgt (modified 10-ring is X-ring, 9 ring is 10 ring) ;
- Scoring: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3 rest of target;
- Type of Fire: Deliberate;
- HPS: 100-10X; and
- Time Limit: 2 minutes for sighters and 10 minutes for scoring shots.

Procedures:

- The competitors will be squadded 1 to a firing point, firing single string. Sighters will be fired and indicated. Once sighters are complete and under direction of the RO, the shooter will have 10 minutes to fire the scoring shots. There will be no indication during the scoring shots;
- Once the scoring shots are complete the group will be indicated and scored;
- The score will be sent back by radio by means of a series of numbers that represent the total number of Xs, total number of 10s, total number of 9s, etc. The actual communications would be as follows: "Score is - 2, 3, 2, 0, 2, 0, 1". If a scoring rings has no hits, it must still be referenced by means of a zero; and
- The scorer is to take the shooters score card and fill in the numbers provided from the butts in the appropriate places. These numbers are to be then continued until totals are acquired. The card will then be signed by the scorer and shooter and handed in to the RO.

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Match 6 - 800 Meters

Specifications:

- Distance: 900 meters;
- Position: Prone;
- Number of Shots: 2 sighters and 10 on score;
- Target: DCRA 500 meter ;
- Scoring: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6 rest of target;
- Type of Fire: Deliberate;
- HPS: 100-10X; and
- Time Limit: 2 minutes for sighters and 10 minutes for scoring shots.

Procedures:

- The competitors will be squadded 1 to a firing point, firing single string. Sighters will be fired and indicated. Once sighters are complete and under direction of the RO, the shooter will have 10 minutes to fire the scoring shots. There will be no indication during the scoring shots;
- Once the scoring shots are complete the group will be indicated and scored;
- The score will be sent back by radio by means of a series of numbers that represent the total number of Xs, total number of 10s, total number of 9s, etc. The actual communications would be as follows: "Score is - 2, 3, 2, 0, 2, 0, 1". If a scoring rings has no hits, it must still be referenced by means of a zero; and
- The scorer is to take the shooters score card and fill in the numbers provided from the butts in the appropriate places. These numbers are to be then continued until totals are acquired. The card will then be signed by the scorer and shooter and handed in to the RO.

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Match 7 - 900 Meters

Specifications:

- Distance: 900 meters;
- Position: Prone;
- Number of Shots: 2 sighters and 10 on score;
- Target: DCRA 500 meter target ;
- Scoring: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6 rest of target;
- Type of Fire: Deliberate;
- HPS: 100-10X; and
- Time Limit: 2 minutes for sighters and 10 minutes for scoring shots.

Procedures:

- The competitors will be squadded 1 to a firing point, firing single string. Sighters will be fired and indicated. Once sighters are complete and under direction of the RO, the shooter will have 10 minutes to fire the scoring shots. There will be no indication during the scoring shots;
- Once the scoring shots are complete the group will be indicated and scored;
- The score will be sent back by radio by means of a series of numbers that represent the total number of Xs, total number of 10s, total number of 9s, etc. The actual communications would be as follows: "Score is - 2, 3, 2, 0, 2, 0, 1". If a scoring rings has no hits, it must still be referenced by means of a zero; and
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Match 8 - 1000 Meters

Specifications:

- Distance: 1000 meters;
- Position: Prone;
- Number of Shots: 2 sighters and 10 on score;
- Target: DCRA 600 meter target ;
- Scoring: X, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6 rest of target;
- Type of Fire: Deliberate;
- HPS: 100-10X; and
- Time Limit: 2 minutes for sighters and 10 minutes for scoring shots.

Procedures:

- The competitors will be squadded 1 to a firing point, firing single string. Sighters will be fired and indicated. Once sighters are complete and under direction of the RO, the shooter will have 10 minutes to fire the scoring shots. There will be no indication during the scoring shots;
- Once the scoring shots are complete the group will be indicated and scored;
- The score will be sent back by radio by means of a series of numbers that represent the total number of Xs, total number of 10s, total number of 9s, etc. The actual communications would be as follows: "Score is - 2, 3, 2, 0, 2, 0, 1". If a scoring rings has no hits, it must still be referenced by means of a zero; and
- The scorer is to take the shooters score card and fill in the numbers provided from the butts in the appropriate places. These numbers are to be then continued until totals are acquired. The card will then be signed by the scorer and shooter and handed in to the RO.