

25m BLACK POWDER – 13-SHOT EVENT

Before the competition

- No Smoking signs displayed (**mandatory**)
- Eye protection (**mandatory for everyone on the range**)
- Hearing protection
- Stopwatch
- Targets – 2 targets per shooter (see notes on back)
- Shooters in the correct bays
- Pistols and other equipment approved
- Shooters wearing Start numbers if provided
- Start stopwatch

Preparation Time

Check the range is clear of personnel

10 minutes before the match start time call...

“PREPARATION TIME BEGINS NOW”

- Start stopwatch.
- Check that **everyone** on the range is wearing eye protection
- Dry firing and aiming exercises are permitted.
- Firing caps is not permitted.

After 10 minutes stop stopwatch and call...

“END OF PREPARATION”

Start stopwatch and call.....

“LOAD AND START”

After 30 minutes stop stopwatch and call...

“STOP.... UNLOAD”

- Clear all pistols
- Allow personnel forward to change targets

At the end of the relay and after all personnel have returned:

- Clear all pistols for casing and removal
- Complete Range Report, and forward to the RTS Office



Targets

ISSF 25/50m Precision Target



Targets are scored in the RTS Office

Course of Fire

Preparation Time

- 10 minutes

Sighting Shots

There is no sighting time or shots, except that

- For muzzle loaders **ONLY** one fouling shot may be fired at the start of the competition time with the permission of the range officer

- Caps may not be fired before the start of the competition.

Competition

- 30 minutes
- 13 shots - Recommended – **but not mandatory** – that 6 shots are fired on one target and 7 fired on the other target.

SAFETY – refer to notes on the back of this guide for mandatory safety requirements

Rules for the 13-shot Black Powder match are found in the Pistol Australia 25 & 50metre Black Powder events rule book – as Appendix C. Any matters not covered in Appendix C will be governed by the Special Technical Rules for the 25 & 50 metre Black Powder Events.

SAFETY

1. **'NO SMOKING' signs must be displayed and enforced.** There is to be NO smoking or naked flame on a Black Powder range.
2. **ALL** personnel (including spectators) must wear eye protection from the time PREPARATION TIME is announced until the completion of the match.
3. Shooters should be in alternate bays unless the bay width exceeds 1.5m or the bays are separated by screens of solid, flash proof material. The vacant bays may not be used for loading or storage of black powder.
4. Loaded chambers of revolvers must be sealed with grease before they are capped.
5. **Misfires (also refer below - Misfires & Breakages)**
 - a. For a revolver without a swing out cylinder (i.e. the hammer falls without discharge for whatever reason) the shooter must wait **FIVE (5)** seconds with the revolver in a safe direction before re-cocking.
 - b. For a misfire of a break-action pistol or revolvers with swing-out cylinders (i.e. the hammer fall without discharge for whatever reason) the shooter must wait **FIFTEEN (15)** seconds with the pistol or revolver in a safe direction before unlocking or opening the action
6. Extra percussion caps must be covered while firing is in progress
7. Loaded chambers of revolvers must be greased
8. In all cases the Range Officer must clear the pistol/cylinder before it may be removed from the firing line
9. Pistols may only be loaded at the firing line after the appropriate command is given
10. **Recapping** – may only be undertaken
11. after at least two (2) attempts to fire the cap, unless specifically authorized by the range officer or jury member, (refer Appendix A) and
12. b) under the direct supervision of the Range Officer
13. Removing a loaded & capped cylinder may only be done under direct supervision of the RO

MALFUNCTIONS AND MISFIRES

1. No extra time is allowed for misfires or malfunctions (rule 8.6)
2. Malfunctions or misfires may be cleared by the competitor - but refer to points 9 & 10 above (direct supervision of the RO)
3. Unfired shots remaining at the completion of the series/event will be discharged or extracted as directed by the Range Officer.

TARGETS

The ISSF 25m/50m precision target will be used.

Each shooter has 2 targets set at 25metres. The targets may be set side by side or one above the other so that both are visible at all times.

Targets should be marked with the Name of the shooter, the calibre being used and the match (i.e. Adj. Rev; Fix Rev; Replica S/S; Modern S/S)