

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

All tournament sponsors are urged to give special consideration to the needs of news media personnel in order to achieve maximum publicity for the competition. Public news media personnel representing print and/or broadcast should be given every consideration and cooperation in keeping with the proper conduct of the competition.

2. ELIGIBILITY OF COMPETITORS

Eligibility of Competitors - The conditions of a match shall prescribe the eligibility of competitors, in accordance with Rule 1.7 and/or the definition contained in Section 2. Limitation of eligibility to compete must be stated in the match program.

INDIVIDUALS

2.1 Members of the National Rifle Association - Any individual member, including Benefactors, Patrons, Endowment, Life, Annual, Associate, Non-Resident and Junior Members.

2.1.1 Non-U.S. Citizens - Non-U.S. Citizens may compete in any NRA Sanctioned Tournament, unless further restrictions are imposed by conditions stated in the program.

2.1.2 In addition to Rules 2.1 through 2.4 - Individuals must successfully complete the tyro course (see Rule 10.17), or demonstrate equivalent proficiency to the satisfaction of the tournament match officials.

2.2 Civilian - Any civilian including all members of the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC, NROTC and AFROTC), personnel of the State Security Forces (e.g. State Guard organization having no federal recognition), retired members of each of the several services comprising the Armed Forces of the United States, and members and former members entitled to receive pay, retirement pay, retainer pay or equivalent pay, are classified as civilians except as noted in the example below. All competitors who are enrolled undergraduates of any of the service academies will be considered as civilians, and may compete in collegiate and ROTC categories.

Individuals of any Reserve or National Guard component who, during the present calendar year, have not competed as National Guard (2.5) or Regular Service (2.6) or Reserve component (2.7) and have not been provided Service support for competition in the form of firearms, ammunition, payment of travel or other expenses, wholly or in part, may fire as civilians. The provision of firearms and ammunition for a specific competition (i.e., National Matches of CMP Regional Leg Matches, when such is available to both military and civilian competitors, it is not considered Service support under this rule.

Unless specifically authorized to do so by the tournament program, members of the regular Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard; members of the reserve components on active duty; retired personnel of the reserve services comprising the Armed Forces of the United States on active duty; or police (2.4) are not permitted to compete as civilians.

2.2.1 Senior - A person may compete as a Senior beginning on January 1 of the calendar year in which the 60th birthday occurs.

● **2.2.2 Grand Senior** - A person may compete as a Grand Senior beginning on January 1 of the calendar year in which his or her 70th birthday occurs.

2.3 Junior - A person may compete as a Junior through December 31 of the calendar year in which his or her twentieth birthday occurs. Individuals who have National Guard, Reserve, or Active Duty status and receive support (as defined in Rule 2.2) may not compete as juniors.

2.3.1 Intermediate Junior - A Junior may also compete as an Intermediate Junior from January 1 of the calendar year in which his or her 15th birthday occurs through December 31 of the calendar year in which his or her seventeenth birthday occurs.

2.3.2 Sub-Junior - A Junior may also compete as a Sub-Junior through December 31 of the calendar year in which his or her fourteenth birthday occurs.

2.4 Police -

- (a) Regular full time law enforcement officers of a regularly constituted law enforcement agency of a municipal, county, state, or federal government. "Full Time" Police Firearms Instructors in Law Enforcement or Police Academies are eligible to compete in the respective Police category. Official current identification from the agency employing a civilian full-time police firearms instructor will be required.
- (b) Full time salaried Railroad Police; Penal Institution guards; Industrial Police, including Bank Guards; and Armored and Express Company Guards.
- (c) Officers of a regularly organized Reserve or Auxiliary named in (a) above, provided that when on duty they are required to perform the same law enforcement functions and/or duties as the Agency to which they are in reserve and are authorized to be armed by the appointing authority.
- (d) Officers who qualify under sections (a) and (b) may, after 5 retirement and if receiving retirement benefits, enter competition covered by these rules. Such retirees who are employed after retirement in any agency which qualifies for entry in NRA Sanctioned competition as a Police Agency may not compete as a retired officer, but may compete as a member of the organization in which he is at present serving.
- (e) Military Police; Members of the Armed Forces of the United States, Regular or Reserve Component; private detectives; private bodyguards; honorary police or sheriffs; consultants; or any persons who are members of a body organized for ceremonial purposes may not compete in NRA Sanctioned Tournaments in the Police Category regardless of the name given to such a body and regardless of the titles given such members.
- (f) Persons employed as Industrial Police by private industry on a part-time basis, or where such employment is not the sole occupation of such persons, may not compete in NRA Sanctioned Tournaments in the Police Category.

2.4.1 Eligibility Authentication - It is the competitor's responsibility to have a Police Identification card in his possession when entering and competing in the Police Category in any NRA Sanctioned Tournament.

2.5 National Guard - Federally recognized officers or enlisted members of the Army National Guard, Air National Guard, or the Naval Militia of the several states, territories, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, who are not on extended active duty, are eligible to compete as Juniors and/or Collegiate, if otherwise qualified.

2.6 Regular Service - Officers or enlisted members of the Regular United States Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and members of Reserve Components thereof, who are on extended active duty: provided the term "Reserve Components" shall include Army National Guard and Air National Guard called into federal service and while in such status, are eligible to compete as Juniors and/or Collegiate, if otherwise qualified.

2.7 Reserve Components - Officers and enlisted members of any Reserve Component of the Armed Forces, exclusive of the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard of the United States, not on extended active duty, are eligible to compete as Juniors and/or Collegiate, if otherwise qualified.

2.8 College - Regularly enrolled undergraduate students who carry 12 or more semester hours or the equivalent in an accredited two or four year collegiate level institution and who have not received a Bachelor's Degree. Eligibility to compete shall extend for a maximum of four years within a five year period beginning when a student first attends any class as a full-time (12 or more credit hours) student. The five year period may only be interrupted by extended military service (60 consecutive days or more), service with a recognized foreign aid agency of the U.S. Government or certified missionary service.

2.9 School - Regularly enrolled undergraduate students of any primary or secondary school, who comply with the eligibility rules of their institutions.

2.9.1 Military Scholastic - A junior who is an active member of a High School JROTC unit or is enrolled in a

military high school.

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2.17.1 Military Scholastic Team - Firing and alternate members of such teams must comply with Rules 2.1 and 2.9.1.

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2.20 Residence - In those matches which are limited to residents of any specified geographical area a "resident" is defined as:

- (a) A person who presents a photo identification issued by a government entity, which shows a residential address within the specified geographical area.
- (b) Military Personnel: The place of residence of members of the Military on active duty is defined as the place at which they are stationed by means of official orders, provided they have been so stationed within the specified area for a period of at least 31 days immediately prior to the day of the match. In the case of retired, Reserve, or National Guard personnel not on active duty, the provisions of paragraph (a) will apply. Naval personnel assigned on sea duty qualify for a residence in the area which is the usual base or home port of the unit to which attached.
- (c) Federal and State Law Enforcement Officers: The provisions of paragraph (b) will apply.