

COMMANDS FOR CONDUCTING A SMALLBORE 3-POSITION FINAL ON ELECTRONIC TARGETS

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COMMANDS	INSTRUCTIONS
<i>Before the competition:</i>	<i>Before a competition, the Range Officer must prepare the range for the Final. The eight firing points used for the Final should be numbered as firing points A-H. Competitors may not move their equipment to the firing line until the Range Officer calls them to the firing line.</i>
WELCOME TO THE FINAL FOR THE (Competition Name) THREE-POSITION RIFLE MATCH. COMPETITORS TO THE LINE...GROUND YOUR RIFLES AND EQUIPMENT. PLEASE WELCOME THE FINALISTS. ON FIRING POINT A, IS (First Name, Last Name) FROM (Hometown/shooting club). This sequence continues until all eight finalists are introduced.	<i>The Range Officer begins the Final by calling the finalists to the firing line.</i> <i>Competitors should bring their rifles to the firing line and ground them on their firing points with actions open and safety flags inserted. All finalists must turn to face spectators for the introductions.</i> <i>Either the Range Officer or an Announcer can introduce each competitor. All finalists must continue to face the spectators until all eight finalists have been introduced.</i>
TAKE YOUR POSITIONS, THE PREPARATION AND SIGHTING TIME WILL START IN TWO MINUTES	<i>Finalists may handle their rifles and get into the kneeling position. They may do aiming and holding exercises, but they may not remove safety flags or dry fire until the Preparation and Sighting Time begins.</i>
<i>After 2:00 minutes</i>	

PREPARATION AND SIGHTING, TIME LIMIT FIVE MINUTES...START 30 SECONDS	<i>This is a combined Preparation and Sighting Time. During this period, competitors may finish getting into their kneeling positions, remove safety flags and load and fire unlimited Sighting shots.</i> <i>The Range Officer gives a 30 second warning after 4 minutes and 30 seconds elapse.</i>
After 5:00 minutes:	
STOP-UNLOAD THE PREPARATION AND SIGHTING TIME HAS ENDED	<i>The Technical Officer must reset the targets from sighter to record.</i>
After 30 seconds: COMMANDS FOR 5-SHOT FINALS SERIES:	
FOR THE FIRST/NEXT COMPETITION SERIES...LOAD... (5-second pause) ...START	<i>The time limit for kneeling 5-shot series is 200 seconds.</i>
After 200 seconds:	
STOP (Commentary on competitors' scores and standings) FOR THE NEXT COMPETITION SERIES, LOAD.... (5 second pause) ...START	<i>The Range Officer or Announcer should make short comments about the scores, rankings, and any changes in rankings.</i> <i>Commands for the next series begin immediately after the scores and comments.</i>
After 200 seconds:	
STOP-UNLOAD (Commentary on competitors' scores and standings)	<i>The Range Officer or Announcer should make short comments about the scores, rankings, and any changes in rankings.</i>
THIS COMMAND SEQUENCE WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE FINALISTS HAVE FIRED THREE 5-SHOT SERIES IN KNEELING. AFTER THE THIRD SERIES IN KNEELING, FINALISTS CHANGE TO THE PRONE POSITION	

STOP-UNLOAD SEVEN MINUTE CHANGEOVER AND SIGHTING TIME...START <i>(Commentary on competitors' scores and standings)</i>	<i>During this changeover period, the finalists will change from the kneeling to the prone position and may fire unlimited sighters in the time available.</i> <i>The Range Officer or Announcer should make short comments about the scores, rankings, and any changes in rankings.</i>
After 7:00 minutes:	
STOP-UNLOAD...THE CHANGEOVER TIME HAS ENDED	<i>The Technical Officer must reset the targets from sighter to record.</i>
After 30 seconds:	
FOR THE NEXT COMPETITION SERIES, LOAD.... (5 second pause) ...START	<i>Commands for the next series begin immediately after the scores and comments.</i>
After 150 seconds:	
STOP-UNLOAD <i>(Commentary on competitors' scores and standings)</i>	<i>The Range Officer or Announcer should make short comments about the scores, rankings, and any changes in rankings.</i>
THIS COMMAND SEQUENCE WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE FINALISTS HAVE FIRED THREE 5-SHOT SERIES IN PRONE. AFTER THE THIRD SERIES IN PRONE, FINALISTS CHANGE TO THE STANDING POSITION	
STOP-UNLOAD NINE-MINUTE CHANGEOVER AND SIGHTING TIME...START <i>(Commentary on competitors' scores and standings)</i>	<i>During this changeover period, the finalists will change from prone to standing and may fire unlimited sighters in the time available.</i> <i>The Range Officer or Announcer should make short comments about the scores, rankings, and any changes in rankings.</i>
After 9:00 minutes:	
STOP-UNLOAD...THE CHANGEOVER TIME HAS ENDED	<i>The Technical Officer must reset the targets from sighter to record.</i>
After 30 seconds:	
FOR THE NEXT COMPETITION SERIES, LOAD.... (5 second pause) ...START	

After 200/150 /250 seconds:

STOP-UNLOAD

(Commentary on competitors' scores and standings)

After the second 5-shot series, the Range Officer or Announcer will recognize the 8TH and 7th place competitors who were eliminated and then make short comments about the scores, rankings, and any changes in rankings.

Commands for the next series begin immediately after the scores and comments.

THIS COMMAND SEQUENCE WILL CONTINUE UNTIL FINALISTS HAVE FIRED TWO 5-SHOT SERIES IN STANDING. AFTER THE SECOND STANDING SERIES, THE 8TH AND 7TH PLACE FINALISTS ARE ELIMINATED

FOR THE NEXT COMPETITION SHOT, LOAD.... (5 second pause) ...START

Commands for the next single shot begin immediately after the scores and comments.

After 50 seconds:

STOP-UNLOAD

(Commentary on competitors' scores and standings)

The Range Officer or Announcer must recognize the competitors who are eliminated and then make short comments about the scores, rankings and any changes in rankings.

Commands for the next series begin immediately after the scores and comments.

THIS COMMAND SEQUENCE WILL CONTINUE UNTIL THE FINALISTS HAVE FIRED FIVE (5) SINGLE SHOTS IN STANDING.

AFTER THE 41ST SHOT, THE 6TH PLACE FINALIST IS ELIMINATED

AFTER THE 42ND SHOT, THE 5TH PLACE FINALIST IS ELIMINATED

AFTER THE 43RD SHOT, THE 4TH PLACE FINALIST IS ELIMINATED

AFTER THE 44TH SHOT, THE 3RD PLACE FINALIST IS ELIMINATED

AFTER THE 45TH SHOT, THE 1ST AND 2ND PLACE WINNERS ARE DECIDED

STOP—UNLOAD THERE ARE NO TIES...RESULTS ARE FINAL... THE BRONZE MEDAL WINNER, WITH A SCORE OF (final score), IS (Competitor's Name) FROM (Hometown); THE SILVER MEDAL WINNER, WITH A SCORE OF (final score), IS (Competitor's Name) FROM (Hometown) and THE GOLD MEDAL WINNER, WITH A SCORE OF (final score), IS (Competitor's Name) FROM (Hometown). IS THE LINE CLEAR? YOU MAY REMOVE YOUR EQUIPMENT FROM THE FIRING LINE	When the STOP—UNLOAD command is given, all competitors must insert safety flags and ground or bench their rifles. After the last shot and as soon as the 3rd place finisher can be brought back to the firing line, the Range Officer or Announcer must immediately recognize the first three place winners. After recognizing the place winners, the line must be cleared (all actions open, safety flags inserted), and equipment removed from the firing line.
THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING TODAY'S SMALLBORE RIFLE THREE-POSITION FINAL!	The Range Officer or Announcer may make appropriate closing remarks or announcements.
IF THERE IS A TIE FOR ANY PLACE TO BE ELIMINATED, THE RANGE OFFICER SHALL CONDUCT A SHOT-BY-SHOT SHOOT-OFF USING THESE COMMANDS:	
THERE IS A TIE FOR (Xth) PLACE BETWEEN THE ATHLETES ON POSITIONS (X) AND (Y) (identify firing points) THESE COMMANDS ARE FOR POSITIONS (X) AND (Y) ONLY FOR THE TIE-BREAKING SHOT... LOAD...(5 second pause)...START	If there is a tie, the tie-breaking shot must be completed before any comments are made about competitors' scores and rankings. Any finalists on the line who are not involved in the tie must stand by while the tie-breaking shot(s) is conducted.
After 30 seconds:	
STOP (The results of the tie-breaking shot are announced; this is followed by comments about competitors' scores and rankings)	The final will resume immediately after the announcements.