

# USPFC POLICE ACTION PISTOL-2026

## **GUIDING BODIES**

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**Entry Deadline: May 22, 2026**

## **EVENTS**

### **INDIVIDUAL: MEN**

There will be separate competitions for Revolvers and Semi-Automatic Pistols in the following: GRAND MASTER, MASTER, "A", "B", "C", "D" & "OPEN" CLASSES

### **WOMEN**

There will be separate competitions for Revolvers and Semi-Automatic Pistols in the following: "A", "B", "C", "D" & "OPEN" CLASSES

Competitors may shoot only one class of gun; either Revolver or Semi-automatic Pistol for the Individual competition.

**NOTE: The Open Class will be used for competitors without an established USPFC classification and is used to determine a competitor's classification in the Team Event.**

**OVERALL MATCH WINNER:** The competitor with the highest score in the Individual event is awarded the Gold Medal. (This is the only award in the Overall Match Winner.)

### **4 PERSON TEAM; UNISEX & WOMEN**

GRAND MASTER, MASTER, "A", "B", "C", "D", AND "OPEN" CLASSES.

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(There are not separate events for Revolvers and Semi-Automatic Pistols. Team members may use either weapon.)

### **EQUIPMENT**

**Score Cards:** Check IPSC/USPSA rule book for the location of a local club with these cards and arrange to obtain enough cards for the match (approximately 500).

**Scoreboard:** Place this board in a location where competitors can view their posted scores and other information they need to know.

**Targets:** Use as many Metallic Targets (an all-steel course is best) as possible in the different stages. IPSC/USPSA approved targets only.

**Other items:** Pencil's, chalk and grease pens for scores, timers for Range Officers, ear protection for workers on or near the firing line, computer program for scoring the match if available, file bins and any other items needed or specified by IPSC/USPSA rules.

### **SCHEDULING**

The competition is normally held during normal competition dates. Check with Pistol PPC and Biathlon for range conflicts.

### **GENERAL SPORTS RULES for Police Action Pistol**

Current IPSC/USPSA rules shall apply to this match, except for awards formula and the eligibility of competitors. These areas will be governed by USPFC rules and regulations. Where there is a conflict between IPSC/USPSA rules and USPFC rules always use USPFC rules. (See General Sports Rules.)

The Sports Coordinator should contact a member of the local IPSC/USPSA about one year prior to the United States Police and Fire Championships to gather any needed information to help him/her stage the match or to have a club help conduct the match. It is required that the Host make arrangements for the club to assist the Sport Coordinator in putting on this Sport. If unable to do so, the Host must contact the USPFC Director for PAP to make arrangements with the USPFC designee to run the sport.

The Sports Coordinator should try and attend at least 2 or 3 IPSC/USPSA matches prior to the USPFC to make contacts and see how the match is conducted.

### **CLASSIFICATION**

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All Police Action Pistol shooters who previously participated in the USPFC PAP event should have a classification based upon scores they have shot during USPFC competition. The USPFC will keep a current record of all competitors' averages that shot in the USPFC. For classifications purposes, when a competitor has more than 3 USPFC matches, USPFC will use the competitors last 3 USPFC matches. The average of scores fired will be used to determine the competitor's classification. The competitor can only be moved to a lower classification upon written request to the USPFC Director for Police Action Pistol.

When a competitor has no USPFC classification, the competitor will shoot in the Individual event to determine their classification. The classification gained in the individual event will be used for the competitor's classification in the Team event and the next USPFC.

The IPSC Classification Breaks table will be used to determine classifications as follows: Grand Master (95% to 100%), Master (85% to 94.9%), "A" (75% to 84.9%), "B" (60% to 74.9%), "C" (40% to 59.9%), and "D" below 40%.

USPFC will provide the Host with a current print out of all Police Action Pistol competitors' classifications prior to the USPFC.

**NOTE:** Any competitor desiring to shoot in a higher classification may do so, **BUT ONE CLASS HIGHER THAN THEIR CURRENT CLASSIFICATION** and then return to their assigned classification at the completion of the match. A competitor who does not participate in any matches for five (5) years may be reclassified to the next lower classification or shoot "Open Class" to obtain a new classification.

### **WEAPONS, HOLSTERS, AMMO CARRIERS, MAGAZINES, AND AMMUNITION**

#### **Weapons:**

*In the spirit of the Games, all weapons must be duty type weapons.* Any Semi-Automatic handgun or pistol that qualifies under IPSC/USPSA Rules, with a minimum of .38 cal. Semi-Automatic handguns can be single-action, double-action, double-action/single-action or safe-action type pistols IPSC/USPSA has specific rules for modifications allowed and not allowed for weapons. These rules prohibit the following modifications: porting of barrels, optic/electronic sights, compensators, and devices, such as weights, designed to control or reduce recoil.

#### **Holsters:**

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The competition is designed for use of duty weapons relating to Police “street situations”. Holster must use and have in working condition at least one retention device. No competition, cross draws, shoulder, or other unsafe type holsters will be allowed. The Match Director will have the final determination as to allowing or prohibiting any holster based on the rules. Refer to IPSC/USPSA Rules.

### **Magazines:**

Magazines should have a 10-round capacity. Hi-capacity (more than 10 rounds) magazines can be used, but you must load only 10 rounds in each magazine.

### **Ammo Carriers:**

Ammo magazines, speed loaders and their pouches must be attached to the belt upon which the holster is carried. The ammo carriers can be department issued slim line open-top magazine holders and must have a retention device to prevent the loaded magazine from falling out of the carrier.

### **Ammunition:**

Reloaded ammunition is permitted. Revolvers will be .38 Cal and above and Semi-Automatic's will be 9mm and above. There will be no Wad cutters, magnums, metal piercing, incendiary, or tracer type ammunition.

The knock down and drop steel targets will be set for 9mm, 125-grain bullets. If there is any conflict with the above rules, the USPFC Director for Police Action Pistol will make the final ruling.

There will be no major/minor power factor.

### **COURSE OF FIRE -- INDIVIDUAL EVENT**

The Course of Fire will be determined by the range being used and equipment available to the Host. Police Action Pistol is unique in that there are no set courses of fire. Each match director will create original courses to challenge the competitors. Typical courses of fire will consist of a combination of shoot and no-shoot paper targets as well as steel knock-down targets. Swinging, sliding, falling, turning, and disappearing targets may be used. The following is an example of a type of course of fire that is desired. It may differ significantly from Host to Host. **There will be five (5) to six (6) courses/stages of fire for the Individual Event.**

The following is an example of a desired Course of Fire:

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## STAGE #1

1. 15 YARDS- Competitor will exit car, using door for cover, kneeling position, fires two (2) shots at each of three (3) targets.
2. 10 YARDS- Competitor will go to designated barricade, kneeling position, and fire three (3) shots at each of two (2) targets right-handed.
3. 10 YARDS- Competitor will go to left side of barricade, kneeling position, fire three (3) shots at each of two (2) targets left-handed.

Time will start with competitor's hands on steering wheel and will stop upon last shot. Penalties will be assessed for extra shots; 10 points will be subtracted from overall score for each extra shot.

## **COURSE OF FIRE -- TEAM EVENT**

The Team Course of Fire will be similar to the Individual Course of Fire, except all four team members will shoot together as a team. Each team member will shoot a separate part of a stage event. The team score will be an aggregate of all team members' scores.

The Team Course will be "Revolver friendly", meaning that Semi-Automatic weapons or 8 shot revolvers cannot load more than 6 rounds in a magazine or cylinder during the Team Event

**There will be a minimum of four (4) courses/ stages for the Team Event.**

## **SCORING**

Scoring will be "Comstock Count" unless another scoring method is needed for a particular stage (or stages).

**PRACTICE:** There will be no practice by any PAP competitor after the course is set up, except for the non-competitor Range Officer(s), who shall check the Course of Fire to make sure all metallic targets operate correctly.

## **RESULTS TO USPFC DIRECTOR**

The SCORES OF ALL INDIVIDUAL EVENT(S) COMPETITORS ARE KEPT by the USPFC for data entry into the Classification computer program used from Games to Games. The Sport Coordinator shall be responsible for the MANDATORY SUBMISSION of all Individual event(s) scores in this sport to the USPFC Director for Police Action Pistol. This should be done immediately upon the conclusion of the sport, and in no case later than 14 days after the conclusion of the USPFC.

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### **AWARDS**

A maximum of 48 sets (1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> place) of medals plus one (1) Gold medal for Overall Match Winner will be required for this event. USPFC will advise you of the number of sets needed based on total entries, plus a reasonable margin.

### **ATTENTION COORDINATORS**

**THE GENERAL RULES APPLY TO ALL SPORTS.  
YOU MUST BE FAMILIAR WITH ITS CONTENTS.**

**PRECISE RESULTS MUST BE FORWARDED  
TO THE HOST COMMITTEE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE  
CONCLUSION OF THIS SPORT**

The USPFC Director assigned to your sport is knowledgeable and experienced in providing assistance during the preparation and running of the sport.

Questions, a detailed accounting of your preparations, and any area requiring approval of the USPFC shall be submitted in a timely manner to this USPFC Director.

The USPFC Directors want to work with you to make your sport a success.

***PLEASE USE THE USPFC DIRECTORS AS A RESOURCE.***