

Notes for Competitors

These Notes form part of the basic rules of SAPA and all competitors are bound by them. Any rule(s) published elsewhere, which conflicts with any of the conditions in these Notes or with any Notices posted at the Range by SAPA and the SAPA 2017 Open organizers, is deemed suspended for the duration of the SAPA 2017 Open.

ENTRIES

With the exception of overseas competitors, only individuals affiliated to SAPA are eligible to participate.

The attached Entry Form should be completed in full, in print or typed and all duly completed Entry Forms must be returned to the **South African Pistol Association; P O Box 11705, Erasmuskloof, 0048, South Africa; by snail mail or faxed to 27 12 993 1179 or e-mailed to sapistol@internext.co.za before the closing date.**

A separate Entry Form must be completed for each individual entrant and any Entry Form received from a South African entrant, which is incorrectly completed, will not be registered and will be returned to that entrant's Provincial Chairperson.

Each overseas competitor will be allocated his or her own competitor number. Unauthorized transfer thereof will, therefore, result in disqualification and entry fees will be forfeited. All overseas competitors must also ensure that their duly completed **Visitors' Firearms Permit Application Form, a SAPS 520**, accompany their individual Entry Forms to the SAPA Office in order to timely obtain their Import/Export Permits, which must be presented at their point of entry into and upon departure from South Africa.

TEAM ENTRIES

Team entries are eligible from SAPA-affiliated Provinces and overseas official Teams only. The entry fee is R40-00 per Team per match and Teams must comprise of three members of the same Province or Country. Team entries will be accepted only at the SAPA 2017 Open and no team entries will be accepted after the match(es) have started.

All team members must be entered as individual competitors in the respective match(es), before participation as a team member. Individual members may not shoot for more than one team in a match. A minimum of four team entries are required for a team competition to be held in any match.

SQUADDING

As squadding is complicated and Range accommodation is limited, competitors must please note the following:

- **The matches will only be presented on the day(s) as specified on the Entry Form.**
- Competitors with special squadding requirements are invited to advise the Squadding Officer of their needs, well in advance.
- Whilst every-effort will be made to meet the competitor's needs, the final decision on the number and timing of matches for which a competitor will be squadded, rests with the Squadding Officer.
- During squadding it is not possible to take account of competitors wishing to share firearms.
- Competitors are reminded that they are not permitted to reserve bays for themselves for the various matches, to give equal opportunity to all. See SAPA Circular 32/2008 dated 3 September 2008 in this regard.
- Squadding notices will also be available at the Registration Desk on the Range during the SAPA 2017 Open.
- Should a competitor decide to withdraw or cancel his participation in any match(es) during the course of the SAPA 2017 Open, a R30-00 Cancellation Fee will be payable.
- **All PPC & PPII matches will be Squadded.**

PROGRAMME

The programme may be amended without prior notice. On Friday 28 April 2017, the final match(es) will start at 13h00 and once completed, no further details will be run.

The fee payable per person in respect of the Presentation Function is subsidized and is, therefore, applicable to SAPA affiliated members and their spouses only. Visitors from other Countries and members, who wish to bring guests, unfortunately do not qualify for the subsidized fee and have to pay the full fee for the function.

REPORTING TIMES

For squadded matches, competitors must report to the scheduled range at least 10 minutes before the time indicated on their squadding notices. The relays will start on time and no competitor will be permitted to join a detail after the match has started.

GUN CONTROL

All firearms are required to conform to the rules for each match. For these conditions, please refer to the details given for each match on the SAPA web-site www.samarksman.co.za. All ISSF firearms will be checked at the Gun Control Area.

RANGE RULES

Competitors **may only** pack away firearms on the Range Officer's command, or on the set up areas provided. Firearms can then only be unpacked at the next detail or again on the set-up areas provided. **Non-compliance of this rule will result in disqualification.**

PRACTICE RANGE

A practice range for overseas competitors as well as competitors from provinces other than Gauteng will be available on Tuesday 25 April 2017 only from 13h00 to 16h00 at the **Bellville Pistol Club Lavender Road, off La Belle Road, Stikland, Bellville, Cape Town.**
Directions to the Bellville Pistol Club:

- **From the N1 about 25 km outside Cape Town take the R300 southbound and exit at the Strand Road/Kuilsriver turn off. Turn right at the traffic lights into Strand Road and turn right at the second traffic lights into La Belle Road. Then take first right into Lavender Road by the informal used car lot. Bellville Pistol Club is at the end of the cul de sac.**
- **From the N2 take the R300 northbound and take the Strand Road/Kuilsriver exit. Turn left into Strand Road then turn right at the first traffic lights into La Belle road, then the first right into Lavender Road. Bellville Pistol Club is at the end of the cul de sac.**

SET-UP AREA

Set-up areas will be provided for unpacking and adjustments of firearms. **No ammunition may be used or unpacked in this area for any reason. Non-compliance of this rule will result in disqualification.**

NPA/PPC SCORE CARDS

For each match the participant receives a carbonized scorecard, the signed original of which must be returned to the Competition Management within 30 minutes after the respective match ended. Scorecards which, in the opinion of the Competition Management, have been intentionally or maliciously spoilt will not be replaced and no new or additional scorecards will be issued.

Missing hits on a scorecard will remain unconsidered on data input. Once a score is entered on the scorecard and the maximum possible hits are exceeded, the exceeding hits will be deducted from the top score downwards, until the correct number of hits is reached. Reclamation to this procedure will not be considered.

SCORE PROCEDURE

Each participant scores the target of the competitor to his right and the scores are copied to the shooter's score card at each scoring stage of the match. Failures on copying the correct scores are to be confirmed by the scorer's signature. During the scoring procedure the shooter must keep his distance from his target and the shooter is not allowed to influence the scorer's decision in any way. **Both the Range Officer and the Scorer's SAPA numbers must be indicated on the shooter's completed score sheet.**

RANGE OFFICERS

Range Officers' orders are final. No disputes are permitted on the Range and objections to any Range Officer decisions have to be made with the Competition Management.

ALCOHOL/DRUGS

Alcohol and drugs are prohibited, with disregard to type and quantity. Any participating shooter using alcohol or drugs will be disqualified and his/her participation will terminate. This will also include all his/her scores achieved during the Competition, which will be nullified.

ATTIRE

No camouflage or military type clothing may be worn while participating in the Competition.

**SAFETY IS YOUR BUSINESS!
READ THE RULES**

MAY ALL YOUR SHOTS GO WHERE YOU INTENDED