

# **RO COMMITTEE REPORT – WINTER RANGE 2012**

**Outlaw Trail Sept. 26 to 30 2012, (at Founders Ranch) will also be a Governors Cup Match. There will be a category for Governors. The match will include a ½ day TG Meeting for 2012.**

**Starting 2013, state level and regional matches will have the option of requiring a minimum of 5 entries per category. They have the option to drop a category if there are less than 5 entries in a category.**

**Winter Range and EOT will have the option of requiring a minimum of 10 entries before the category is available.**

## **Category Rules:**

1. Categories listed in the SHB are the "Official" SASS categories.
2. All categories must be initially offered at State and above level matches.
3. MDs are NOT required to honor categories that fail to secure a minimum of 5 entries at the State and Regional level, or a minimum of 10 entries at WR and EOT.  
A cutoff deadline shall be established and posted by the sponsoring club.
4. Match application forms should ask for a shooter's second (or third) choice.
5. If it becomes necessary to drop any category due to a failure to meet the minimum number of shooters required, those effected shooters will be placed into their second choice category. If no second choice has been given, "Age" based category shooters will "Rollback" into the next lower category.  
The only exception is the Cowboy category. Since it is at the bottom of the scale, it will roll forward into the Wrangler category if necessary.  
The Junior categories are exempt.
6. At the MD discretion, ANY category may be added, and any minimum requirement may be reduced.
7. These rules apply to state and above matches, and are recommended at all lower level matches.

**Regional and State match residency requirements:**

When a shooter has multiple residences, the state of residence is determined by your driver's license. By law you can only have one driver's license.

Active military personnel use the home of record.

At Winter Range the winner must be American citizen.

At EOT, the winner can live anywhere in the world.

## **SUMMIT AGENDA ITEM #1 – PASSED:**

**Should the scoring program be changed so that any shooter that does not finish TWO or more stages in a match is not eligible for any main match awards?**

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# SIGNIFICANT CHANGES/CLARIFICATIONS – FEBRUARY 2012

## SCORING

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*Any competitor that fails to complete two or more stages in a match, for any reason, is not eligible for any awards.*

## RO1

### ROC ruling: NAVY PEPPERBOX REVOLVER

Noting that it is assembled on a "Colt Navy frame" it qualifies as a MAIN MATCH revolver & is thus **DIS**qualified as a "Pocket Pistol" (regardless of barrel length).

**BISLEY HAMMER on a Ruger OLD ARMY** percussion revolver?

**ROC ruling:** SBHK hammers on a ROA are OK under the current "Firearms Covenants".

Lower and/or wider hammers on percussion revolvers fall under the same allowance as for cartridge pistols. **BISLEY hammers (modified or not) installed on ANY revolver without the BISLEY gripframe are still NOT ALLOWED.**

**ROC ruling:** There is no prohibition re: wearing a rifle/pistol ammo slide over SG loops on an ammo belt (as there is in regard to a SHOTSHELL ammo slide),

**Sewing the loops directly to a shotshell loop on either a slide or belt is acceptable.**

**ROC ruling: DROPPED/LOADED CYLINDERS** will be treated the same as dropped rounds.

Penalty for retrieval will be a **Minor Safety Penalty.**

## RO1 – Penalty Overview

**ROC ruling:** Alliant's new BP sub, Black MZ, is approved for use in SASS/CAS.

**EDIT:** re **OCTAGON BARRELS on REVOLVERS:**

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● Original barrels may be replaced with new barrels of correct styles (e.g., round, octagon, or half-round) for that particular **TYPE** firearm.

## SHB – Firearms Covenants

**CLARIFICATION:** Ammunition-related (i.e. shotgun belts/bandoliers) "**Outlawed/illegal**" items will be covered under:

The "**Use of illegally-acquired ammunition**" penalty (*RO1 referenced to SHB p.10*)

## SHB & RO1

## Classic Cowboy/Cowgirl

Rifle/pistol regulations rewritten for clarification re: caliber requirements.

**SHB & RO2**

**CLARIFICATION re: PLAINSMAN sidematches:**

**.38 S&W Special is LEGAL for PLAINSMAN sidematches**  
(originally introduced in 1899 as a blackpowder round)

**EDIT:**

**ADD single-shot shotguns to PLAINSMAN sidematch rules.**

**SHB**

**EDIT for CLARIFICATION:**

### **BASIC RULES FOR THE LONG RANGE COMPETITIONS**

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**Bolt or Receiver mounted sights are not allowed.** (removed "Optical" verbiage)

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**ROC ruling:** NO to the use of a 12ga/.70cal "slug gun" in SASS Long Range RIFLE sidematches.  
**Shotguns using slugs are not allowed**

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**ROC ruling:**

• **Range finders, or any other devices for calculating distances or sight adjustments are not allowed. Their use constitutes a side match disqualification.**

**SHB**

**CLARIFICATION of the rules re: DE-COCKING:**

(As posted on the SASS Wire(s) on 26 October 2011)

**7.** De-cocking may not be done to avoid a penalty if cocked at the wrong time, position or location once a round has gone down range. NO gun may be de-cocked on the firing line except by pointing it down range and pulling the trigger or **while under the direct supervision** of a stage officer/Timer Operator. **This requires a positive indication/acknowledgement from the T/O to the shooter.** The penalty for de-cocking is a Stage Disqualification.

**SHB & RO1**

*In other words there must be a positive indication to the shooter that the T/O is giving his approval for the shooters action.*

**EDIT:**

### **SASS WILD BUNCH SHOOTING**

SASS Wild Bunch Shooting is a separate shooting discipline within SASS. Although similar in many respects, it is not "Cowboy Action with a 1911!" Wild Bunch is a three-gun action competition using the 1911, a .40+ caliber rifle, and a '97 shotgun. Please see the SASS Wild Bunch Handbook for additional information.

**SHB**

**EDIT:**

*Safe for movement rifle in hand only*

☑ *Hammer fully down on an **empty chamber** or expended round, action closed*

**RO1**

**DELETED:**

*Loading more than the correct number of live rounds in a firearm.*

**RO1 - "PENALTY OVERVIEW" – Minor Safety Penalties**

**RO1 – Pocket RO Card**

**EDIT:**

**Dropped firearm** – a firearm that has left the shooter's control and come to rest at a location or position other than where it was intended. (**DELETED** "rounds")

**RO1 "Glossary of Terms"**

**CLARIFICATION:** What is meant by "**in hand**" as applied to loaded revolvers?

The following was posted (March 2011) on the TG, RO, and ROC Wires (to be added to the next edit of the RO1 "Glossary of Terms"):

***Revolver in hand*** – *when the muzzle of the revolver clears the mouth of the holster, or breaks contact with a prop where it was staged.*

**RO1**

...this provides the same allowance for a 'full grip' on the second (loaded) revolver while firing the first no matter how/where the revolver(s) start on the stage.

**Once the muzzle clears the holster or all contact is broken with the prop, the shooter is in violation if not registered as a GF or BW competitor.**