

# Territorial Governors Meeting Minutes (Winter Range – 2017)

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See SASS TG Attendance List for information on those in attendance.

Blackjack Zak (WR Match Director, Vice Chairman of ROC Presided)

- 1) Misty Moonshine (SASS CEO) is going to work on consolidating Shooter Handbook, RO I/II Course Materials into ONE book. TGs gave full support and were rather happy!
- 2) Misty Moonshine revised the RO I course materials and instructor power-point presentation, and is now shorter and more efficient with better flow. Misty used the course to teach the RO I at WR for the first time, under supervision by Blackjack Zak and Red River Wrangler, and has now been qualified as an RO Instructor. Congratulations Misty!
- 3) *Reminder.* Carpenter pants with a loop (like for a hammer) are legal; Cargo pants are ***not*** legal.



- 4) *Reminder.* Sewing ammo loops onto shotgun loops is **not** legal.



- 5) It was suggested that local clubs encourage new membership as much as possible. One way could be for local clubs to allow .22 cal. firearms for shooters who are **thinking about shooting CAS who just want to try it out until they can commit to purchase legal SASS firearms**. This is **not** for State and above matches or annual SASS sanctioned matches. SASS is perfectly OK with this, as a way to encourage new shooters who want to “put their toes in the water” and see if CAS is for them. This is NOT another official or sanctioned category.
- 6) *Reminder*: A shooter may holster revolvers after completing the shooting string of the revolvers, before the next type of firearm.
- E. g.:* If stage scenario calls for shooting the revolvers and then the rifle, the first revolver can be placed on a table, and then the second revolver can be fired. BOTH revolvers however must be holstered BEFORE the rifle is fired (unless the stage description allows otherwise). If the revolvers are the last type of firearm to be used, then they must be holstered at the end of the string. (See definition of “string” in the Glossary of Terms)
- E.g.:* If the stage calls for a split revolver (revolver, rifle, revolver) the first revolver must be holstered BEFORE the rifle is fired. (The rifle is another/new string)
- 7) Misty is going to start sending monthly emails to TGs in order to facilitate another communication channel to TGs. The ROC will add a monthly article with the email that relates to some current or hot topic of CAS rules/issue discussion.
- 8) The ladies equivalent to the Grand Patron category has been officially renamed by SASS to **La Patrona**, effective immediately (as of Winter Range 2017).
- 9) ~~The Cimarron/Uberti "Rooster Shooter" RS419 Single Action Revolver with factory grips is considered a historical firearm production grip, used by a TV Western figure. The grooves on the grips of this firearm are not even remotely “grip enhancing” and are therefore, considered SASS legal as approved by the ROC — they are a historical embellishment. These particular production grips are only allowed for this particular firearm. Grip enhancements are not allowed.~~
- \*\* APPROVAL RESCINDED – FEB 2018 \*\***
- 10) **Question from the floor:** When a Duelist pulls out the 2nd revolver and the 1st revolver is still out with live rounds (2 loaded revolvers out at the same time – only legal when in the Gunfighter or B-Western Category), can the shooter re-holster the 2nd revolver before shooting any rounds and not get penalized for shooting out of category?

*ROC Reply:* In this situation, the shooter may holster one of the firearms to avoid the penalty, up until the point when either of the two revolvers is cocked. In other words, unless ONE of the revolvers is cocked, the shooter may simply holster one of the revolvers to avoid the penalty.

*Note:* The “2 loaded revolvers out” ruling applies to ALL non-Gunfighter/B-Western shooters, not to Duelists exclusively (e.g. a Gunfighter/B-Western competitor shooting in a category other than Gunfighter or B-Western who draws both pistols out of habit).

**11) Question from the floor:** When is the penalty earned in the situation where a cocked revolver is holstered?

*ROC Reply:* When hand is off the gun. (Answer was researched in current ROC clarifications and discussions). When a cocked revolver is holstered, and the shooter removes their hand from the grip, the appropriate penalty will apply (can't be rectified). Whether there is a live round, empty casing or empty chamber is below the cocked hammer is irrelevant – it is the cocked revolver which earns the penalty – SDQ.

**12) Reminder:** SASS default still applies even if not explicitly stated in the stage scenario.

*E. g.:* If the stage scenario calls for hands on hat, hands holding rope, hands touching both sides of window frame, etc., then the rest of your body must be at SASS default. You do not have to be looking straight down range. You can look down at your firearm.

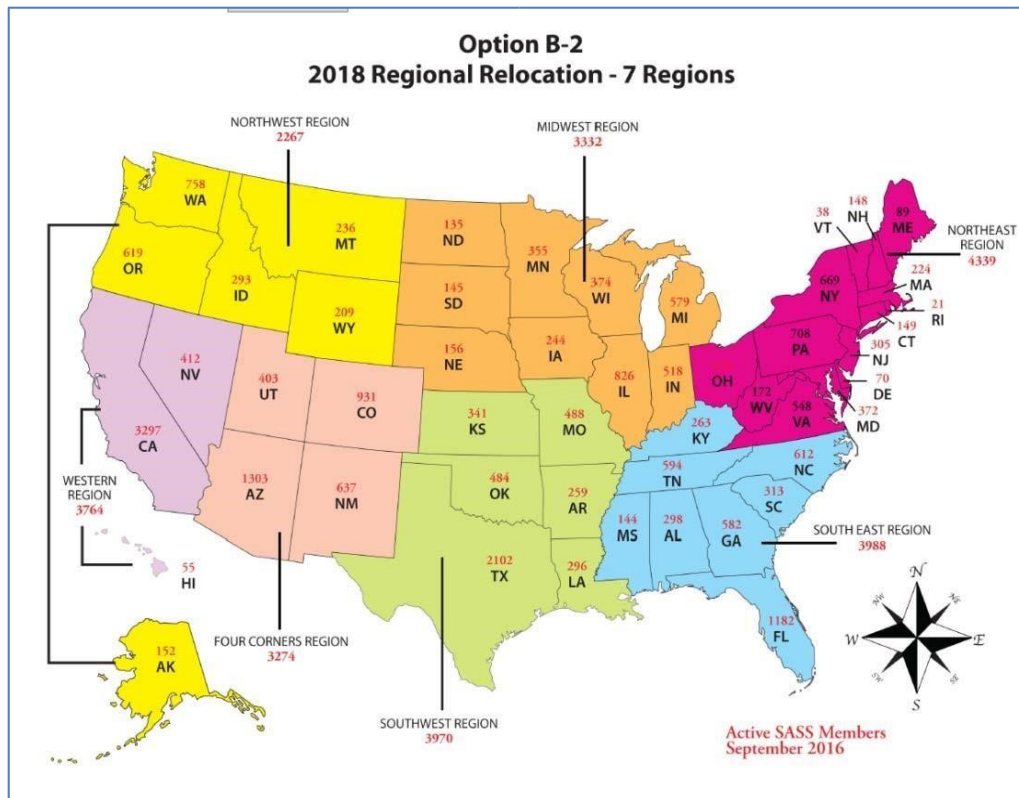
**13)** SASS will consider changing the Grand Dame category to something else, if they get suggestions and the majority agrees.

**14) Question from the floor:** Will the ROC consider a penalty for shooters who do not dress to their category requirements even after it was discovered they shot all or part of the match without the proper clothing requirements?

*ROC Reply:* After much discussion, it was stated that match directors need to ensure costume categories checks are performed each day of the match either by posse leaders or range masters. Rules and penalties already exist for costuming categories, and further rules are not in the best interest of SASS. It's a question of enforcing the rules we already have.

**15)** Enforceability of rules is a SASS/CAS wide problem. Match Directors, Range Masters and Posse Marshals / Leaders need to enforce rules to maintain a fair and level playing field.

**16)** Regional changes that were voted upon towards the end of last year will apply for 2018, and will be officially announced in April. Only those TGs in the affected areas voted in round 2 for their clubs. Option B-2 was selected, making it 7 SASS regions.



17) *Extra:* Right after the TG meeting completed, Shamrock Sadie asked Blackjack Zak for clarification of "in hands," as there has been a discussion on the TG wire and enforcement at some local matches as if it were a "clarified" rule. Blackjack Zak stated that there is no rule or official clarification for "in hands," and that the match directors can determine what they want "in hands" to mean for their match. Winter Range 2017, defined "in hands" to be 2 hands (for the rifle and shotgun – hammer down on empty chamber for rifle, and open/empty for shotgun) holding the firearm, however they wanted to, without touching the ammo.