

EIC Points

EIC “leg” points are awarded to any eligible non-distinguished shooters who places in the top 10% of non-distinguished shooters, provided the score fired by the competitor equals or exceeds the EIC Minimum Credit Score (Rule, 9.2.7). To receive EIC credit points, the score fired by the competitor must fulfill the requirements of Rule 9.2.6 (top 10%) and equal or exceed the EIC Minimum Credit Score (MCS) for that discipline (see CMP Rule 9.2.7).

EIC “leg” points are awarded based on the number of non-distinguished competitors.

	6 point leg	8 point leg	10 point leg
6-15 non-distinguished	1		
16-25 non-distinguished	1	1	
26-35 non-distinguished	2	1	1
36-45 non-distinguished	2	1	1

For a complete EIC chart or to view a database of competitor points that have been earned towards their Distinguished Badge, visit the CMP Competitions web site at <http://thecmp.org/competitions/distinguishedbadges/>.

Gold, Silver & Bronze Achievement Pins will be presented to competitors (Distinguished or Non-Distinguished), in CMP-Sanctioned EIC Matches, that equal or exceed Achievement Award Scores (Rule 5.11.3).



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Upcoming EIC Matches

You can find a list of all upcoming EIC Rifle and EIC Pistol matches on our Competition Tracker website, <http://ct.thecmp.org>. Under the Service Pistol or Service Rifle category, click on “Upcoming Matches”.



Distinguished Shooter Badges

The Distinguished Program

The Distinguished Rifleman Badge and the Distinguished Pistol Shot Badge were created by the War Department in 1884 and 1891 respectively to recognize and reward members of the US Army for Excellence-in-Competition (EIC) with the service rifle and service pistol. Other Services of the Armed Forces adopted a similar program about the same time and in 1926 civilians were authorized to participate in the program.

The Distinguished Badges are awarded in recognition of an excellent degree of achievement with the service rifle or pistol. They are awarded by the CMP or by the respective services in accordance with service regulations.

The CMP has introduced a new 22 Rimfire Pistol Distinguished Badge to encourage more shooters who own .22 caliber rimfire target pistols to participate. It is designed to challenge competitors who are already Distinguished, traditional bulls-eye pistol shooters, shooters who own rimfire pistols who have not yet tried target pistol shooting as well as women and juniors who were not previously active in Service Pistol competitions.

Distinguished Badges are awarded when competitors accrue a minimum of 30 credit points earned in EIC matches. Points are awarded on the basis of 6, 8 or 10 points per competition depending upon the individual's placement among the non-distinguished competitors in a match. Points continue to accumulate throughout a competitor's lifetime until Distinguished status is attained. Once an individual achieves Distinguished designation, they remain Distinguished for life.

Eligibility

All EIC Matches are open to any individual that is 16 years or older for EIC Pistol and 14 years and older for EIC Rifle. U.S. citizenship is not required or individual membership in a CMP Club or sponsoring organization is not required to participate.

The number of EIC matches a non-distinguished competitor may compete in for EIC points is limited. In any calendar year, Non-Distinguished civilians, in either rifle or pistol, may compete in:

1. One National Trophy Individual Match.
2. A maximum of five CMP-sanctioned EIC matches.
3. A service sponsored EIC match may be fired in lieu of one of the five CMP sanctioned EIC matches, if civilian entries are accepted in the match.
4. Civilian or service shooters, who do not have any EIC points, also may compete in Special EIC matches (Rule 1.3.1) sponsored by the CMP, or in a special EIC match sponsored by a branch of Armed Services, where a maximum of four EIC points may be earned. These special introductory matches do not count as one of the five regular CMP-Sanctioned EIC matches.

Non-distinguished competitors cannot enter an EIC match on a noncredit basis (such as entering for practice).

When a civilian competitor earns his or her first EIC "leg" points, whether it is 6, 8 or 10 points, they will be awarded a bronze EIC badge. When the competitor

achieves 20 points, a silver EIC badge is awarded.

Military competitors will be awarded EIC badges according to the regulations of their Services.

A civilian will become Distinguished when he or she has earned 30 credit points. At least one of the "legs" must be an 8 or 10 point leg.



The Distinguished Badge will be issued by the Civilian Marksmanship Program. The badge will be engraved with the competitor's name, year earned and Distinguished number.

Military members may be designated Distinguished Rifleman or Distinguished Pistol Shot when he or she has earned 30 credit points toward the Distinguished designation. The Distinguished badge will be awarded by their branch of service. Points earned as a member of the Armed Forces will transfer toward a Civilian Distinguished badge if the badge is not obtained while in the service.

To be eligible for EIC credit points, a match must have at least 6 eligible non-distinguished competitors and conform to the current edition of ***CMP Competitions Rules and Regulations***.