



CMP Guidelines for Conducting Excellence-in-Competition (EIC) Matches

CMP Excellence-in-Competition (EIC) Matches must be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations published in the current edition of the CMP Service Competition Rules. These guidelines are provided as additional information to govern the conduct of CMP EIC matches. These guidelines serve in the same capacity as a match program.

See the current CMP Highpower Rifle Competition Rules and/or the current CMP Pistol Competition Rules (<http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/>) concerning the applicability of CMP Rules, NRA Rules, these Guidelines and the sponsor's match program.

- 1. EIC Match Application Form:** All applications to conduct CMP EIC matches must be submitted on application forms provided by the CMP. All application forms must be submitted to the CMP.
- 2. Match Program:** The match sponsor must provide a copy of the match program, at the time the application is submitted to the CMP. A regional or state championship program is acceptable if the program includes a separate "CMP Service Rifle, Service Pistol or .22 Rimfire Pistol EIC Match" and the conditions under which the EIC match will be conducted (date, time, competition conditions, etc.). Rifle EIC matches must be fired on one day; any exceptions must be approved by the CMP; this is to insure competitors will compete under relatively equal conditions. EIC Pistol & .22 Rimfire Pistol EIC Matches should be fired as separate matches on the same day.
- 3. Arms Allowed:** Competitors in EIC Matches must fire the Service Rifle, Alternative Rifle, Service Pistol or .22 Rimfire Pistol to be eligible to earn EIC credit points (see current CMP Competition Rules: <http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/>.) Match sponsors may allow competitors to fire Match Rifles in EIC Rifle Matches. Match rifle shooters may compete for separate awards, but they are not eligible for EIC credit points (see current CMP Competition Rules: <http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/>.)
- 4. Entry Fees:** All EIC match competitors must pay an entry fee of \$15.00 per competitor (whether they are Distinguished, Non-distinguished, military or civilian) for each EIC match they fire. Approved EIC match sponsors may also collect an additional entry fee to cover their expenses in conducting the EIC match. The total entry fee must be specified in the match program. The \$15.00 per competitor CMP fee must be remitted to the CMP via check, credit card or money order payable to the CMP within five days after the match.
- 5. Ammunition:** EIC match rifle and pistol competitors are required to furnish their own ammunition. The CMP does not furnish ammunition for EIC matches.
- 6. Scorecards:** Scorecards furnished by the CMP must be used for all rifle and pistol EIC matches. When submitting an application for EIC matches, be sure to specify the number of scorecards required. Scorecards will be forwarded to the match sponsor at least one week prior to their scheduled match date. Be sure to have all competitors accurately record their name, address, contact information, category data and CMP competitor number (if they have it available).
- 7. Returning Scorecards:** **CMP Service Competition Rules require the return of scorecards within five days.** Sponsors must return the scorecards, match report form and fees to the CMP in the pre-paid FedEx envelope provided by the CMP. Match results will be invalidated if scorecards are not returned within 30 days.
- 8. Official Match Bulletin:** The official match bulletin for all CMP-sanctioned EIC matches are the results posted on the CMP web site. The results will be posted as soon as possible after scorecards are returned.

9. **Eligibility Restrictions:** Non-Distinguished competitors are restricted to five EIC matches per year plus the National Trophy Individual Rifle and Pistol Match and the National .22 Rimfire Pistol EIC Match at Camp Perry and any special 4-point “introductory EIC matches” such as the M16/M9 EIC matches conducted as part of Small Arms Firing Schools. The CMP Competitor Tracker system checks eligibility for all competitors prior to calculating EIC points. If someone fires six or more EIC matches in a year, they will be removed from the list of eligible competitors and will not be counted in calculating EIC credit points.
10. **EIC Credit Points and Awards:** EIC credit points are calculated by the CMP. Non-Distinguished eligible competitors must fire the Minimum Credit Score (See current CMP Service Competition Rules: <http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/>) to be eligible for EIC Credit Points. Information about shooters earning points will be posted on the final results on the CMP web site. Gold, Silver and Bronze Achievement Pins will be awarded, by the match sponsor, to all Service Rifle/Alternative Rifle competitors who equal or exceed the established Achievement Award Cut-Scores. Gold, Silver and Bronze Place medals and EIC Badges will be mailed, to the winning Service Rifle/Alternative Rifle competitors, by the CMP. The members of the Armed Services who are eligible to receive credit towards Distinguished designation will be notified through their branch of service.
11. **Rule Interpretations and Protest Resolution:** If any questions arise before or during the EIC match regarding the proper interpretation of the current edition of **CMP Service Competition Rules**, <http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/>, match sponsors are encouraged to contact the CMP Competitions department (Competitions@TheCMP.org) as soon as possible. If a protest or dispute arises during the competition, be sure to read current CMP Service Competition Rules. A competitor cannot be disqualified unless at least two match officials (range officer, CRO, referee, match director, etc.) take part in the decision. If someone files a written protest, please provide a summary or copy of the protest with the match report form that is submitted to the CMP. If a competitor wishes to appeal a decision made on a protest, the CMP must be notified within 72 hours. Final decisions on appealed protests must be made by the DCM Emeritus and CMP Programs Committee.
12. **For More Information:** Please check the current edition of the CMP Rifle and/or Pistol Competition Rules: <http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-competitions-rulebooks/> or contact CMP Competitions at (419) 635-2141, ext. 714 or email Competitions@TheCMP.org.