The CMP has posted a 2nd Edition 2023 CMP Air Rifle and Air Pistol Competition Rules on the CMP website https://thecmp.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/12/2023-CMP-Air-Gun-Rulebook_v1.pdf. However, for the 2023 competition year, the CMP will continue to issue the 1st Edition 2022 CMP Air Rifle and Air Pistol Competition Rules as the printed version of this rulebook, primarily because the changes in the 2023 version are so few (see below) that the printing of new rulebooks and the destruction of existing supplies of 2022 rulebooks is not cost effective or warranted.

If you are using the printed version of the 1st Edition 2022 Rules, please note that the 2nd Edition 2023 Rules includes these changes:

**Rule 5.3.5 Shooting Kit and Rifle:** This rule has been rewritten as follows:

> An adjustable rifle stand may be used as a rifle rest in standing, providing that no part of the stand is higher than the athlete’s shoulders when in the standing position. When used as a rifle rest (standing position) or pellet holder (kneeling position), part of the rifle stand may be placed forward of the firing line, but if the firing point has a bench or table, the rifle stand may not be placed in front of the bench or table. When using a rifle stand, athletes must take care that their rifle muzzle is not pointed towards or near to another athlete when the rifle rests on the stand. The rifle stand may not interfere with athletes on adjacent firing points. If a rifle cradle is attached to a rifle stand, the cradle must be placed no higher than one-third of the distance between the floor and the athlete’s shoulders to prevent stands from easily tipping over and damaging rifles. The athlete must hold any rifle placed on top of the shooting stand; a rifle may not be allowed to rest freely on top of a shooting stand.

**Rule 11.4.2 Criteria for earning EIC Credit Points.** This rule, which applies to the Distinguished Marksman Badge for eligible authorized competitors with disabilities, was revised to reflect recent changes in policy for that program only:

Eligible competitors who are approved to participate in the Distinguished Marksman Program may earn EIC credit points as follows:

a) A competitor who competes in an EIC or National Championship Air Rifle or Air Pistol Match who fires a score that equals or exceeds the Minimum Credit Score (MCS, Rule 11.3.5, 590.0 for Air Rifle; 540 for Air Pistol) for this discipline will receive six (6) EIC credit points.

b) If an eligible competitor fires a score in an EIC or National Trophy Air Rifle or Air Pistol Match that equals or exceeds the score fired by a competitor who received eight (8) or ten (10) EIC points in that Match, that competitor will also receive that same number of EIC credit points.

c) If a competitor earned fewer than 30 EIC Distinguished Air Rifle or Air Pistol credit points before becoming disabled and eligible for this program, those EIC credit points may be credited as Distinguished Marksman credit points.

Please note also that recent pending changes in ISSF Rifle Rules are being studied for their potential impact on these rules and that an update to these rules, primarily dealing with air rifle configurations, may be issued in the next few weeks. Any update to these rules will be announced on the CMP Competition Rulebook webpage.