

# Black Powder Rifle Event

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this postal match is to offer Royal Rangers from across the country an opportunity to participate in a nationwide muzzle loading black powder rifle shooting postal competition.

- **PREREQUISITE:** NMLRA Shooters Card or NRA Black Powder Shooters Card
- **FIRING DATES:** Match may be conducted by the district, section, or outpost between January 1-October 31.
  - All entries must be postmarked by November 15.
- **ELEGIBILITY:** Individuals may enter this match only once per calendar year. All competitors must be members of a currently chartered outpost.
- **FEES:** \$5.00 per Individual / \$15.00 per team (4 members per team)
  - **All team members must enter as individuals.**
- **ADMINISTRATION:** Contact the NRA Competitive Shooting Division to receive the score reporting forms. Direct questions to the Postal Program coordinator, at [Postal@nrahq.org](mailto:Postal@nrahq.org) or (703) 267-1482.

Return targets, completed score reporting forms, and entry fees to:  
National Rifle Association  
Attn: Competitive Shooting Division/Postal Programs  
11250 Waples Mill Rd.  
Fairfax, VA 22030

- **RESULTS:** Results will be tabulated and released after December 31. Individual and team awards will be mailed soon after the release of the results.
- **CATEGORIES:** Competitors will enter in **only one** of the following categories.
  - **Sub-Junior:** 11-13 years old in calendar year of competition
  - **Junior:** 14-15 years old in calendar year of competition
  - **Senior:** 16-18\* years old in calendar year of competition
  - **Adult:** Must be a member of a currently chartered outpost

\*To compete as an 18-year-old Senior, the competitor must be an Expedition Ranger and may not be serving as a Lt. commander in the outpost.
- **AWARDS:** The National Royal Rangers Ministries will present awards for 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> place in all categories, individual and team events.
- **INDIVIDUAL AWARDS:** Individual awards will be presented from the NRA Competitive Shooting Division for 1<sup>st</sup> place in each category.
  - Additional awards will be provided for each additional ten competitors in a category. Second through fifth place will receive awards based on participation.
- **TEAM AWARDS:** A team match is an unfired match generated by the fired aggregate scores of four (4) individual participants. Team awards will be presented from the NRA Competitive Shooting Division for 1<sup>st</sup> place in each category. (There must be two teams for 1<sup>st</sup> place to be awarded).
  - One additional award will be provided for each five additional teams.
  - The team category will be determined by the age of the oldest team member.
  - Any number of teams may be entered by each outpost.
  - Individuals may only be entered on one team per year.
- **RULES:** Rulebooks may be ordered by contacting NRA Sales at 1-800-336-7402. Ask for *Muzzle Loading Rifle, Pistol, & Shotgun Rulebook* (Item # CB 16380).
- **EYE AND EAR PROTECTION:** Eye and ear protection are required during this event by all Royal Rangers.

- **POWDER:** Black powder or other approved substitutes.
- **EQUIPMENT:** See *NRA Muzzle Loading, Pistol, & Shotgun Rule Rulebook* Section 3.2(a) & (b) with the following exception: “Wiping out of barrels between shots is permitted. Muzzle Loading Black Powder rifles with either smoothbore or rifled barrels will be permitted. Patched round balls are the only approved ammunition. Shotguns, in-line rifles or pistols are not permitted. ‘Sabotted’ bullets are not permitted.”
- **TARGETS:** Any NRA certified B-19 target may be used. Shooter’s name and the position being shot will be printed in the upper right hand corner of each target. Target acquisition is the responsibility of the competitor.
  - For information on where to purchase official targets, refer to the target suppliers’ section of this document.
- **COURSE OF FIRE:** The match is made up of an aggregate of 3 stages using the B-19 target.
  - 5 record shots at 25 yards in the Standing (off hand) (15 minutes)
  - 5 record shots at 50 yards in the Kneeling (15 minutes)
  - 5 record shots at 100 yards in the Prone (25 minutes) – Cross sticks may be used in this phase only.

**Note:** A total of 7 shots may be taken for each stage with the highest 5 shots for score. The course of fire may be a multi-day event.
- **SCORING:** Five shots for each position/distance will be scored. Due to the variation in calibers used, scoring is done relative to the center of the ball or bullet hole. The center of the shot hole must at least touching a scoring ring to count that value.
  - Courses do not have to be shot consecutively or in the same session.
  - Each target must be scored by two individuals and in accordance with *NRA Muzzle Loading, Pistol, & Shotgun Rule Rulebook*.

**TARGET SUPPLIERS:**

National Target Company  
4960 Wyaconda Rd.  
Rockville, MD 20852  
(301) 874-4767

American Target Company  
1328 S. Jason St.  
Denver, CO 80223  
(303) 733-0433

Alco Target Company  
2048 Central Ave.  
Duarte, CA 91010  
(818) 358-4814

US Target Company  
11177 E. Seven Miles Rd.  
Detroit, MI 48234  
(313) 371-5866

Outers Laboratories, Inc.  
Box 39 Route 2  
Onalaska, WI 54650  
(800) 635-7656

Little Sales Company  
20815 W. Chicago Ave.  
Detroit, MI 48228  
(313) 273-6888

Hoppes Penguin Industries, Inc.  
Airport Industrial Mall  
Coatesville, PA 18320  
(215) 384-6000

Speedwell Division of Rockwood Corp.  
136 Lincoln Blvd.  
Middlesex, NJ 08846  
(800) 243-8274

Pistoleer.com  
12 Schiber Ct.  
Glen Carbon, IL 62062-5625  
(618) 288-4588  
<http://www.pistoleer.com>

Official targets may also be available at your local sporting goods store or gun shops.