

New Rulings: Competition, Multigun, Steel Challenge

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There are a few new rulings up for voting by the board. Most of them are simple clarifications of existing rules, adjustments to the wording on some, and additions to one rule set so that it mirrors the others, particularly covering safety issues that should be common to the three rule sets. None of them affect equipment types. Here's a short summary:

(Read More: <https://nroi.org/?p=1503>)

Competition rules: **Appendix D6, #10** The distance from the belt is increased to 3 3/8" for Revolver Division. This was an oversight from the original change for "race" divisions; Revolver should have been included.

Rifle, Shotgun, and Multigun rules: **10.2.1** This ruling clarifies that objects completely outside the shooting area/fault lines may be used to support a long gun without penalty, as long as the competitor's feet stay within the fault lines. There was some confusion over the wording as to what was actually allowed and what wasn't, especially with regard to the competitor's arm or hand touching the object along with the long gun. Note that this is for long guns only, and does not apply to handguns.

Rifle, Shotgun, and Multigun rules: **10.5.1** This ruling clarifies that deliberately removing a flag from a flagged long gun is a DQ for unsafe gun handling. The language originally stated "PCC", as a result of a cut and paste from the competition rules. The DQ does not apply while under RO supervision, such as at Make Ready, or when being supervised during pre-loading or other instances where the RO is supervising the competitor.

SCSA: **8.1.1.1** This ruling mirrors the rules/rulings in the Competition and Rifle, Shotgun, and Multigun rules regarding deliberate removal of a flag without RO supervision and command, making it a DQ for Unsafe Gun Handling.

SCSA: **Appendix F1, Match Levels** This ruling removes the requirement for a certified Range Master at Tier III matches, but retains NROI approval for same. The reasoning is that there are several Tier III Steel Challenge matches in the US every year, which have been ably staffed in the past without requiring a certified Range Master to act in that capacity. Those matches have demonstrated that a competent, experienced CRO or RO can do the job quite well. In fact, with the increasing number of Steel Challenge matches, there may not be enough certified RMs to supply the requirement.

Once the rulings have passed by board vote, they can be found here:

<https://uspsa.org/nroi/rulings> and will be effective on April 21. The rules will be updated

concurrently, as will the app, so be sure to download the current editions if you are using the PDF versions of the rules.