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SECTION I - REFERENCES

1. References.

- a. NGB Pam 350-6.
- b. NGB Pam 350-7.
- c. FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6 w/Cl.
- d. National Rifle Association's Highpower Rifle, Smallbore Rifle, and Pistol Rules.

SECTION II - GENERAL

2. Purpose. This regulation establishes the policies, objectives, responsibilities, and procedures governing small arms competition for the West Virginia Army and Air National Guard.

3. General. All small arms competitive programs will be conducted as training. Equipment, targets, weapons and ammunition, to support unit level marksmanship training is authorized, forecasted, and issued through organizational Property Book Officers (PBO). The same type activities to support the state level marksmanship training program are conducted through the Small Arms Readiness Training Section's (SARTS) PBO.

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4. Objectives. The objectives of this program are to:
  - a. Promote training interest and raise the standard of proficiency of the soldier and airman in the use of the individual weapon.
  - b. Emphasize, promote, and expand the Competitive Marksmanship Program at all command levels.
  - c. Provide trained and competent members to assist the West Virginia Army and Air National Guard in fielding competitive rifle, pistol, and light machinegun teams at higher levels of marksmanship competition.
5. Command Responsibilities.
  - a. Commanders at all echelons are charged with the duty and responsibility of implementing the provisions of this regulation and encouraging the total participation of their units in the competitive small arms program.
  - b. Personnel who show interest in shooting will be encouraged and afforded the opportunity to compete at unit level. Those with special talent will be made available for further training as members of the State Team. Appropriate safeguards will be established to insure that a soldier's career is not jeopardized by participating in the program.
  - c. Commanders at all levels will remove administrative obstacles in order that the strongest State Teams may be entered in the Competitive Marksmanship Tournaments.
6. State Marksmanship Coordinator
  - a. A State Marksmanship Coordinator (SMC) shall be appointed by the Adjutant General and assigned to State Area Command, West Virginia Army National Guard. The duties will be to implement the provisions of this regulation, conduct competitive matches at the State level, select and train shooters to represent the West Virginia National Guard in higher level competition, coordinate weapons training at unit level, and promote public marksmanship and weapons training with emphasis on the youth of our communities.
  - b. Specially qualified personnel in units may be detailed to special duty with STARC, WVARNG to assist the SMC in his performance of duties.
7. Unit Marksmanship Coordinator. Each unit in WVARNG and WVANG will appoint a Unit Marksmanship Coordinator (UMC) for purpose of liaison with SARTS. Format for appointment and job description are found in App C, NGB Pam 350-7.

### SECTION III - MATCHES AND AWARDS

8. Matches and Awards. In order to stimulate interest in small arms firing, to develop team spirit, competitive attitudes, and esprit in the West Virginia National

Guard, the following competitions and awards are authorized and established:

a. Outdoor Rifle & Pistol Matches are to stimulate interest of the soldier/airman in expertise with service weapons (rifle, pistol, & LMG). The composite (bullseye) shooting program is entirely separate and will not be addressed in this regulation. Composite programs and awards are addressed in the state annual marksmanship training plan, NGB PAM 350-6, and FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6 w/C1. State team members are encouraged to work with their unit combat teams, and when state team members are not needed for the state level competition, they are encouraged to participate with their unit's combat teams.

b. Courses of Fire for unit marksmanship programs are taken from current Army Individual Weapons Qualification Courses, either in whole or part. References for unit marksmanship programs are NGB Pam 350-7 and FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6 w/C1. All courses of fire require the wearing of combat gear, firing issue grade weapons, and firing standard grade ammunition. One course of fire in all three competitions (rifle, pistol, & LMG) requires the team members to display their physical fitness by completing a two (2) mile run in 25 minutes while wearing; helmet, load bearing equipment (LBE), and carrying their weapon(s).

c. Responsibility. The SMC has been charged with responsibility to conduct all state level competitions per WVMR 350-20. The commander is responsible for conduct of the combat program from Individual Weapons Qualification (IWQ) through preparation for the state matches. Example: The CO provides his shooters with; weapons, ammunition, targets, range, time, and instructions prior to attending the state level match. The CO assists the shooters attending the state match by providing them transportation, weapons, and if appropriate - split training for the MUTA-5. Should the unit's team be selected to participate at higher levels of marksmanship competition (Winston P. Wilson (WPW) Matches, Army Area Championships, or All Army), the CO is responsible for providing additional support by; requesting orders, TRs, transportation, etc..

d. Matches conducted prior to the WVNG Small Arms Championships:

1). Individual Weapons Qualification. Each unit in WVARNG must conduct IWQ annually. Chapter II, NGB Pam 350-7 informs how IWQ may be conducted, both to satisfy an ARTEP requirement and also as competition. Awards include qualification badges plus "Top Gun" and "Progress" marksmanship awards from Unit Marksmanship Support Center (UMSC). A supply of U.S. Army Expert, Sharpshooter, and Marksman badges should be maintained in unit's supply so appropriate badge may be presented without undue delay. Para 2-10 NGB Pam 350-7 lists several trophies which a unit may be entitled for excellence in Annual Qualification firing.

2). Battalion Championship Competition. How a battalion determines who will represent them at the state small arms firing is left to the organization's discretion; however a battalion competition between teams from units within each command is recommended by WV-TAG and NGB. Should this not be possible, the battalion witnessing officer should obtain Qualification Results Bulletins (QRB) from each unit in the command and field his team accordingly. Sufficient team depth should be provided,

in case some personnel fail to attend the matches at Camp Dawson. Awards for the battalion level competition will be the responsibility of the organizational commander.

3). Battalion Postal Competition. Shoulder-to-Shoulder competition is always desired over postal competitions whenever feasible, but this sometimes is not possible. Emphasis on soldier's skills and ARTEP missions has left little training time for marksmanship, therefore WVSARTS will conduct a year-round battalion postal match for any battalion which desires such a service. The rules are as follows:

a). Only precision combat courses, per FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6 will be scored for both service rifle and service pistol. The four stage (100yd through 400 yard) precision rifle course and the nine stage (45 shots) Army qualification course for pistol will be used. Scores only, not fired targets, are to be forwarded to: TAG-WV, ATTN: DCSPORT - Marksmanship Coordinator, 1701 Coonskin Drive, Charleston, WV 25311.

b). No limit to the number of competitors or number of courses fired, although each firing session must be validated by the UMC (para. 7). Reduced range courses and/or sub-caliber scores will be accepted and annotated as appropriate.

c). The Commander or Battalion Witnessing Officer will be furnished a match bulletin from WVSARTS within thirty days after they make it known the bulletin is required.

e). State Small Arms Competitions. TAG-WV appoints SMC as match director of the state small arms matches. The state teams including members of the 130th and 167th TAG (WVANG) teams, are to operate both the pistol and rifle ranges and administer the program under the direction of the SMC using this regulation and TAG-WV memorandum as guidelines. The match program will provide competition for both individual and teams in both service rifle and service pistol competition. Notwithstanding modifications required because of range, ammunition, or other limiting factors, the proposed program will include, but not be limited to:

#### Individual Rifle Competition

1). James H. Francis Trophy. Awarded to the high scoring individual rifle competitor at the match. Members of the WVNG State Teams (including members of 130th & 167th TAG teams) who have previously won the trophy and have received support (weapons, ammunition, travel, per diem, etc.) during the previous 12 months are ineligible to compete in this match. Awards - Trophy to top five (5) scoring individuals (open) plus the top five (5) scoring new (novice) shooters.

2). Excellence in Competition (EIC) Rifle Match. Conducted concurrently with the Francis Trophy Match, is only open to those individuals who hold no points toward the distinguished rifleman badge. Awards - Trophy to top three (3) individuals in the match. Four (4) points toward the thirty needed for "distinguished" to the top ten percent (10%) of entered contestants. The Director of Civilian Marksmanship (DCM) of the U.S. Army presents these individuals the bronze "leg" badge which replaces the qualification badge normally worn on the class "A" uniform.

3). Distinguished Patches. A distinguished patch will be awarded to the ten highest scoring individual firers. The winners of these badges of distinction will be known as "THE GOVERNOR'S TEN".

#### Team Rifle Competition

4). Davis Cup Match. An annual match to determine the top six (6) man company size unit team in WVNG. Winning team receives possession of the Davis Cup for one year along with a permanent trophy. Members of the first, second and third place teams receive individual awards.

5). Army Infantry Trophy Match. Preceded by a two (2) mile run, this match tests a battalion team's ability to shoot well while under a state of physical duress. Multiple silhouettes are engaged at the same distances fired in the individual competition. Details of the match conditions are found in FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6 w/C1. Awards - Trophies will be presented to the members (including captain & coach) of the winner and second place teams. Winning team gains possession of the rotating trophy for one year.

6). Combined Rifle Team Championship. An aggregate match, which determines the top battalion rifle team in WVNG. Score will be derived by adding one-half (1/2) of the team's score in the Army Infantry Trophy Match plus the score fired by the same six (6) team members in the Davis Cup Match. Should a team member not fire with a unit team in the Davis Cup Match, that member's score in the Francis Trophy will be used to determine their team score. The top two (2) teams will represent WVNG at the Marksmanship Advisory Council Region II championships, if conducted. The winning team will be invited to attend the annual Winston P. Wilson matches (NG Championships) at Camp Robinson, Ark, the following September.

#### Individual Pistol Competition

7). NG Association of WV Trophy. A composite (bullseye) match that is fired in three (3) stages. Each stage requires the use of a different weapon. Twenty-two (.22) cal., center-fire, and .45 pistols are fired one hand, without combat gear, with time limits of: (slow fire) 10 shots in 10 minutes, (timed fire) 5 shots in 20 seconds twice and (rapid fire) 5 shots in 10 seconds twice. Awards - trophy to winner of each weapon plus trophy of aggregate (total) winner. Aggregate winner gains possession of the NG Assn. of WV Trophy for one year. Awards to the top five (5) shooters (open) and also the five (5) top new (novice) shooters. Members of the state team (including 130th & 167th team members) are not eligible if they have previously won the WVNG Association trophy .

8). Individual Combat Pistol Championship. A combat pistol match which consists of Tables and Phases of the Army Pistol Qualification Course. May be an abbreviated course of 30 shots and 300 points or the full Combat Pistol Course of 90 shots or 900 points. Award - Trophy to the high scoring shooter.

9). Excellence in Competition (EIC) Pistol Match. This match may be

conducted concurrently with Individual Combat Pistol Match, and is only open to those individuals who hold no points toward the distinguished pistol shot badge. Course of fire is the prone, duel and 10 sec. rapid from Army IWQ course. Awards - Trophy to top three (3) individuals in the match. Four (4) points toward the thirty needed for "distinguished" to the top ten percent (10%) of entered contestants. The Division of Civilian Marksmanship of the U.S. Army presents these individuals the bronze "leg" badge which replaces the qualification badge worn on the class "A" uniform.

10. Distinguished Patches. A distinguished patch will be awarded to the ten highest scoring individual scorers. The winners of these badges of distinction will be known as "THE GOVERNOR'S TEN".

### PISTOL TEAM COMPETITION

11. Ash Trophy. A four man team match with the course of fire being the same as the EIC individual match. Awards - individual members of the top two (2) teams receive trophies. The winning team keeps the "Ash" trophy for a period of one year plus is awarded a permanent trophy.

12. General George S. Patton Jr. Combat Pistol Match. Similar to the Infantry Trophy Match (ITM) for rifle, the "Patton" match requires the competitors to complete a physical fitness requirement prior to firing the course. Details of the course of fire and scoring is found in Change 1 to FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6. Awards - Members of the two high scoring teams (including captain and coach) receive trophies. Winning team gains possession of the rotating trophy for one year.

13. Combined Pistol Team Championship. An aggregate match which combines the total team scores from the Ash Trophy with the scores from the Patton Match. The top two (2) teams will represent WVNG at the Marksmanship Advisory Council Region II championships, if conducted. The winning team will be invited to attend the annual Winston P. Wilson matches (NG Championships) at Camp Robinson, Ark.

#### f. Indoor Rifle and Pistol Matches and Awards.

1) Chief of the National Guard Bureau (CNGB) Annual Tournaments. With four (4) gallery (.22) courses of fire for the combat or bullseye rifleman and combat or bullseye pistol shooters, these tournaments enjoy a very high level of participation and popularity. Details and rules are published annually by UMSC in four brochures and delivered to each unit in WVARNG and WVANG.

a) CNGB Smallbore Rifle Tournament. A 50 foot bullseye course fired with an issue or equivalent target rifle at prone, sitting, kneeling, and standing positions at the NRA A-17 target (11 bulls per page). Awards are presented to the state winning team and individual. State winning team fired another pistol match in the MAC II match, against the other states' winners in MAC II. The MAC winner advances to the shoulder to shoulder match against all other MAC's winners at Nashville, TN.

b) CNGB Combat Rifle Tournament. A 50 foot combat rifle tournament which fires the reduced Precision Combat Rifle Course similar to that fired at all

levels of combat rifle competition (including WVNG State Championship). Firing the issue M-16 with the .22 adaptors at the targets (NGB Forms 145-1 thru 145-4), this course of fire is an approved course for ARNG annual IWQ. Awards, advancement to MAC, and national level is the same as Smallbore Rifle above.

c). CNGB Smallbore Pistol Tournament. A 50 foot bullseye (NRA Gallery) course fired at three stages: slow fire - 10 shots in 10 minutes, timed fire - 5 shots in 20 seconds twice, and rapid fire - 5 shots in 10 seconds twice. Awards for this tournament are similar to the rifle tournaments.

d). CNGB Combat Pistol Tournament. A 50 foot combat pistol tournament fired over the Army Pistol Qualification course at the NGB Form 145-9 (target). This course, like the combat rifle course is an approved course for annual IWQ. The awards program for this tournament is no different than the other three CNGB matches.

2). The National Rifle Association of America (NRA) Annual Rifle Tournament/Governor's Trophy Match. State and National level awards are presented by Chief, NGB, as outlined in paragraph 2-3, NGB Pam 350-6.

3). The West Virginia Adjutant General's Trophy Match. The Adjutant General's Trophy will be presented to the winning team in the West Virginia National Guard's Adjutant General's Trophy Match. The revolving trophy is inscribed with the name of the winning team plus the three highest individual firers also receive awards.

4). First US Army Smallbore Rifle and Pistol Match. The Commander, First US Army, will present awards to the First, Second, and Third place teams and the First through Tenth place individuals in the First Army Area. References for this match are found in FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6.

5). Adjutant General's Airgun Matches. Matches for both rifle and pistol, these matches are postal from UMSC, Nashville and are conducted concurrently with the CNGB matches. Programs are delivered to each unit with the CNGB programs and entry forms.

#### SECTION IV - DEFINITIONS

##### 9. Definitions.

a. Whenever used in this regulation the letters "NRA" shall refer to the National Rifle Association, and the term "NRA Rules" shall refer to the Official Rules and Regulations to Govern the Conduct of all highpower Rifle Competition, adopted by the National Rifle Association, the Official Rules and Regulations to Govern the Conduct of all Smallbore Rifle Competition, and the Official Rules and Regulations to Govern the Conduct of Pistol and Revolver Competition, adopted by the National Rifle Association.

b. "New Shooter" means a shooter who has not previously fired as a member of a team in the particular match.

c. "Battalion Size Unit". Any federally recognized Army Guard battalion or squadron. For purpose of marksmanship training, and to encourage competition within organizations, certain STARC units will be considered a battalion. These units are: HD, USPFO, ATS, and 229th Engr Det. There will be no composite battalions. All must be pure TOE organizations. An Air National Guard base or group not to exceed 1,000 personnel will be considered a battalion size unit.

d. "Organization". Same as Battalion Size Unit.

e. "Unit". Any company or smaller sized Army Guard unit or Air Guard squadron.

f. "SARTS". Small Arms Readiness Training Section.

g. "UMSC". Unit Marksmanship Support Center, located in Nashville, TN.

h. "NGMTU". National Guard Marksmanship Training Unit, located in Nashville.

#### SECTION V - SERVICE RIFLE COMPETITION

10. James H. Francis Trophy Match. A separate match to be fired annually to determine the individual service rifle champion for the West Virginia National Guard. Except those members of WVNG state teams who have previously won the match, any member of the WVARNG or WVANG is eligible to compete.

a. Course of Fire (Precision Combat Rifle Course)

1). Stage 1. Fired from the 100 yard line. Two sighters (to be fired during the 3-minute preparation period) and 10 rounds sustained fire, standing position, 2-minute time limit. Possible score 50 points.

2). Stage 2. Fired from the 200 yard line. Two sighters (to be fired during the 3-minute preparation period) and 10 rounds rapid fire from standing to sitting position, 50-second time limit. Possible score 50 points.

3). Stage 3. Fired from the 300 yard line. Two sighters (to be fired during the 3-minute preparation period) and 10 rounds rapid fire from standing to prone position, 60-second time limit. Possible score 50 points.

4). Stage 4. Fired from the \*400 yard line. Two sighters (to be fired during the 3-minute preparation period) and 20 rounds slow fire, prone position, 20-minute time limit. Possible score 100 points.

\*Should the 400 yard line not be available, this stage will be fired at 300 yds.

b. Weapon. The only rifle used in this competition will be the standard issue M16A1 as described in TM 9-1005-249-14.

c. Ammunition. Only 5.56mm ball ammunition that is issued on the firing line will be used.

d. Uniform. Uniform for this competition will be the standard combat uniform with LBE. List of required items of apparel is found in Change 1 to FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6. Appendix C.

e. Targets. The current Rifle Target "D" Silhouette, FSN 6920-00-922-7450 will be used in this competition. The replacement center is FSN 6920-00-922-7451.

11. Excellence in Competition (EIC) "Leg" match may be fired concurrently, (paper match) with the Francis Trophy Match. Credit toward the Distinguished Rifleman award is earned by those individuals who hold no points toward that award and finish in the top ten percent (10%) of individuals eligible for these award points.

12. The Davis Cup Match. The Davis Cup, presented to the West Virginia National Guard by the late US Senator Henry Gassaway Davis in 1904, will be awarded annually to the winning team in the rifle competition between teams from company size units of the West Virginia National Guard.

a. Eligibility. Each company-size unit of the West Virginia National Guard may enter a team in the match, to the capacity of the range (15 teams). Each team will consist of six (6) firers, a team captain, and a coach. The coach and/or captain may be firing members of the team. Members of the team must be members of the same unit entering the team. At least one member of the team must be a new shooter.

b. Rules. Rules of the match are the same as for individual competition as cited in paragraph 10.

13. Army Infantry Trophy Match (ITM). The ITM is commonly referred to as the "rattle battle" because of the volume of fire required in a short period of time.

a. Course of Fire - As described in change 1 FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6. Number of rounds issued to each team, number of targets to engage, bonus points, and time limits are outlined in above reference. Distribution of ammunition is at the discretion of the team captain and/or coach.

b. Weapon, Ammunition, and Uniform - Same as described in paragraph 10.

c. Targets. "E" Silhouette NSN 6920-00-600-6874 at 300 yards  
"F" Silhouette NSN 6920-00-610-9086 at 200 and 100 yards.

d. Eligibility. Each battalion size unit of the West Virginia National Guard may enter a team in the match. Each team will consist of six firers, a team captain and a coach. Per change 1, FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6, all team members allowed on the firing line must finish the two mile run before the 25 minute time limit expires. The composition of the team must be 50% new shooters for Winston P. Wilson matches regardless of the members' status at the WVNG championship.

14. Combined Rifle Team Championship (CRTC). - The CRTC is an aggregate match incorporated to determine the most competitive battalion team from WVNG to advance to higher levels of competition. One half of the team's score in the Army Infantry

Trophy Match is added to the teams score in the Davis Cup to arrive at the combined aggregate score. Reason for halving the ITM score is so that the ITM is not the primary factor in determining the match winner.

#### SECTION VI - PISTOL COMPETITION

15. The National Guard Association of West Virginia Trophy Match. The National Guard Association of West Virginia Trophy will be awarded annually to the member of the West Virginia National Guard who is the match winner in competition with .22 cal, center-fire, and .45 cal pistols.

a. Course of Fire.

1). .22 Cal Pistol.

- a). 5 shots, 25 yard, zero
- b). 10 shots, 25 yards, slow fire (10 min)
- c). 10 shots, 25 yards, timed fire (2 strings, 5 rounds each, 20 sec/string).
- d). 10 shots, 25 yards, rapid fire (2 strings, 5 rounds each, 10 sec/string).

2). Center-Fire Pistol.

- a). 5 shots, 25 yard, zero
- b). 10 shots, 25 yards, slow fire (10 min)
- c). 10 shots, 25 yards, timed fire (2 strings, 5 rounds each, 20 sec/string).
- d). 10 shots, 25 yards, rapid fire (2 strings, 5 rounds each, 10 sec/string).

3). .45 Caliber Pistol.

- a). 5 shots, 25 yard, zero
- b). 10 shots, 25 yards, slow fire (10 min)
- c). 10 shots, 25 yards, timed fire (2 strings, 5 rounds each, 20 sec/string).
- d). 10 shots, 25 yards, rapid fire (2 strings, 5 rounds each, 10 sec/string).

b. Weapons. .22 cal pistol or revolvers, center-fire pistols or revolvers, and .45 cal. pistols or revolvers, as described in NRA rules. The .45 cal. pistol may be also fired in the center-fire competition. State match grade weapons will be available on the range for loan to shooters who do not possess their own weapons.

c. Ammunition. Competitors may provide their own ammunition which meets NRA

standards. Issue standard grade .22 and .45 cal. ammunition will be available on the range.

d. Targets. The standard American 25 yard timed and rapid target and center will be used for all pistol firing except the slow fire events. The slow fire target will be the NRA approved 50 yard target reduced for firing at 25 yards.

e. Eligibility. Except for members of the state team (including members of 130th and 167th TAG Teams) who have previously won the trophy, any active member of the West Virginia Army or Air National Guard may compete.

f. Uniform. The WVNG Assn Trophy Match is the only match at the WVNG State Smallarms matches which is not a combat match, therefore the LBE, and Helmet need not be worn. Distinctive headgear and shooting jackets are encouraged during this match, however the wearing of special shooting uniform and gear is limited to vicinity of the range.

16. Individual Combat Pistol Tournament - Trophy presented to the individual who posts the highest score in individual combat pistol competition.

a. Course of Fire.

1). Combat Position Firing. 10 shots, 25 yards, fired in time limit of 2 1/2 minutes. Firer starts in the prone position and loads the second magazine on his own command. Firers will remain in the prone position until everyone has completed the stage, targets edged and the block NCO indicates that all weapons are clear.

2). Duel. 10 shots, 25 yards, 2 strings of 5 shots each. Each string consists of five facings of the target for 5 seconds each facing. Shooter will fire one shot each facing, returning to the "ready" position after each shot.

3). Military Rapid Fire. 10 shots, 25 yards, rapid fire. Two strings of five shots per string in a time limit of 10 seconds per string. Firer starts in the READY position and shoots 5 shots at one target during the time limit.

b. Weapon. M1911A1 .45 cal. service pistol as issued with no internal or external modifications.

c. Ammunition. .45 cal., service ball ammunition will be issued to all competitors on the firing line. No other ammunition will be used during this match.

d. Target. Silhouette, NSN 6920-713-5385.

e. Eligibility. All members of the West Virginia National Guard are eligible to compete in this match.

17. Excellence in Competition (EIC) Match. The "Leg" Pistol match may be fired concurrently, (paper match) with the Individual Combat Pistol Match. Credit toward the Distinguished Pistol Shot award is earned by those individuals who hold no points

toward that award and finish in the top ten percent (10%) of individuals eligible for these award points.

18. The Francis G. Ash Trophy Match. The Francis G. Ash Trophy, first awarded in 1954 in honor of Brigadier General Francis G. Ash, former Adjutant General of West Virginia, whose distinguished career in the Armed Forces spanned thirty-eight years, will be awarded annually to the winning team in .45 cal. pistol competition between teams from battalion size units of the West Virginia National Guard.

a. Course of Fire, Weapons, Ammunition, and Target - same as Individual Combat Pistol match.

b. Eligibility. Each battalion size unit of the West Virginia National Guard may enter a team in the match. Each team will consist of four shooters, a captain and a coach. The captain and/or coach may be firing members of the team. All members of the team must be members of the battalion entering the team. At least one member of the team must be a new shooter.

19. The General George S. Patton Combat Pistol Match. This match not only tests a teams ability to shoot at multiple targets in a short period of time but also requires shooters to complete a two (2) mile run wearing helmet, LBE, and carrying weapon immediately prior to firing the match.

a. Course of Fire is outlined in change 1 to FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6.

b. Weapons, Ammunition, and Target - same as Individual Combat Pistol Match.

c. Eligibility - Same as Ash Trophy, but all who go to the firing line (including coach and/or captain) must have completed the run in regulation time.

20 Combined Pistol Team Championship - An aggregate match incorporated to determine the most competitive team from WVNG to advance to higher levels of competition. The team's score is the sum of it's score in the Patton Match combined with the score fired in the Ash Trophy Match.

## SECTION VII - CONDUCT OF SERVICE RIFLE AND PISTOL MATCHES

21. Time and Place. Matches will be conducted at Camp Dawson on the third weekend in September of each year, or as otherwise specified.

22. Entries. Entries for all matches will be mailed thru channels to HD, WVARNG, ATTN: Match Director Small Arms Matches, 1701 Coonskin Drive, Charleston, WV as announced annually in AGD-WV memorandum.

23. Rules. NRA Rules will govern all competitions except as those expressed otherwise provided in this regulation or amended in current AGD-WV memorandum.

24. Equipment. Except for the NG Association of WV Individual Pistol Tournament,

all firing at the state small arms matches will be combat. During all team and individual matches, everyone on the firing line except range operation personnel, including all firers, coaches, and/or captain will be in proper "battle dress". A complete listing of all required items is found in Change 1 to FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6 Appendix C.

25. Schedule of Matches. As announced annually in AGD-WV memo.

26. Administrative Instructions. As announced annually in AGD-WV memo.

27. Target Assignment. Target and relays will be assigned by drawing lots. The drawing will be conducted by the Match Director at the team captains' meeting. It is impossible for an individual to shoot both the individual rifle and individual pistol competition during the WVNG Small Arms Championships. A member may shoot the individual pistol on Saturday and then shoot the team rifle on Sunday or shoot the individual rifle on Saturday and then shoot the Patton Team Pistol match on Sunday.

28. Firing Areas.

a. The firing area on each range will be organized into a firing line, a ready line, and an assembly area. The assembly area will be in the rear of the 300 yard line on the rifle range and 25 feet in the rear of the ready line on the pistol range, or as designated by the range officer.

b. Coaching is not allowed during any individual match, however during team matches the team captain and/or coach will be allowed to coach on the firing line in the rear of the firers. He/she must be easily identifiable and must control his/her voice and actions so as not to disturb other firers. He/she may not physically assist or touch the firer.

c. Scorers will be located behind each firer on the rifle range, within easy conversational range.

d. Battalion-size units are encouraged to set up headquarters for units within their organization in the assembly areas on the pistol and rifle range.

29. Scoring.

a. Rifle Range. Individual score cards along with range operation instructions will be included in each firers range packet, and issued at the team captains meeting. There will be one scorer for each firing point on the rifle range. Scorers will receive ammunition from the ammunition detail and issue it to the firers as directed. Pits will disc shots to indicate where the hit is made in zeroing and slow fire only. Scorers will announce the scores as signaled from the pits and record it on the scoreboard. They will observe targets closely to detect errors. When an order has completed firing, the scorecard will be signed by both the firer and the scorer and delivered by the scorer to the Assistant Statistical Officer on the range.

b. Pistol Range. Individual score cards along with range operation instructions

will be included in each firers range packet, and issued at the team captains meeting. Scoring will be accomplished by firers passing their scorecards to the right with a range officer scoring the last target on the right of the range. In other words, each firer will score the firer on his/her left. At the conclusion of firing by a relay, the scorecard will be signed by the firer and scorer and delivered to the Assistant Statistical Officer on the range.

c. Range Charts. The Assistant Statistical Officer on each range will maintain a Range Chart for each match showing the scores fired by each competitor. The Range Charts are for information purposes and score cards will be sent to the Statistical Officer at Match Headquarters, who will maintain the official records.

30. Alibis, Challenges, Protests, and Appeals.

a. Alibis will be governed by NRA Rules.

b. Challenges and Protests.

1). Challenges may be made to the Range Officer as provided in NRA Rules. No fee shall be charged for challenges.

2). Protests may be made to the Range Referee on the grounds provided by NRA Rules.

3). Challenges and protests by team members shall be made by the Team Captain.

c. Appeals. The ruling of the Range Referee on any challenge or protest may be appealed by the Team Captain to the Match Director who shall be the final arbiter upon all range decisions. Appeals will be made in writing and stated concisely without reference to any competing unit or individual.

31. Alcoholic Beverages. Drinking of alcoholic beverages on or about the ranges during matches is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated.

32. Match Director. The Match Director shall be appointed annually in AGD-WV memo. He/she shall have general charge of the matches.

33. Range Officers (RO). A RO will be appointed by the match director to operate both the rifle and pistol ranges. The RO will have general supervision of the operation, supply and maintenance of their range during the matches; will insure that the range is in satisfactory condition prior to the matches; and will establish and conduct such schools for range personnel and/or shooters as deemed necessary.

34. Rifle Range Personnel.

a. Rifle Range.

1). Rifle Range Officer

- 2). Assistant Range Officer.
- 3). Three Line Officers.
- 4). Range Referee
- 5). Safety Officer
- 6). Assistant Safety Officer
- 7). Pit Officer
- 8). Three Assistant Pit Officers
- 9). Assistant Statistical Officer
- 10). Target Personnel (minimum of 2 per target) - may be other relay personnel
- 11). Radio/Telephone Operators (2 in pits; 2 on firing line)

b. Pistol Range.

- 1). Pistol Range Officer
- 2). Assistant Range Officer
- 3). Range Referee
- 4). Safety Officer
- 5). Three Scorers
- 6). Assistant Statistical Officer

35. Statistical Officer. The Statistical Officer will be stationed at Match Headquarters in the Preston County Armory. He/she will maintain the official records of all match firing. This individual will train range statistical officers. He/she will verify all scorecards, and keep the official results of all matches. The Assistant Statistical Officer on each range will collect scorecards, record scores on the range, and forward the scorecards to the Statistical Officer. Following the Matches, the statistical officer will publish the official results in AGD-WV memo. A copy will be on file in the State Headquarters to determine the eligibility and status of firers in future matches.

36. Range Officer. In order to insure consistency of range operations, all firing commands on each range will be read from a script furnished by SMC.

37. Scorers. In addition to their duties in recording the scores of competitors upon the scorecards, the scorers will direct their attention to the competitor while the shooter is aiming and firing, and will be prepared to state any time whether the competitor has fired, and how many shots have been fired. Scorers will report all irregularities observed to the Range Officer, including a continually slow operating target, or one for which a mark has had to be called several times during an order.

38. Medical Officer. The doctor will have charge of the health and sanitary conditions on the ranges and the camp. He/she will provide an ambulance or suitable vehicle for each range, and will provide medical personnel, properly identified, at each range. The Medical Officer will perform such other duties as pertain to his profession.

39. Signal Officer. The Signal Officer will have charge of the signal equipment and personnel and will provide necessary radio/telephone and loudspeaker facilities for the operation of the ranges, with operating personnel.

40. Supply Officer. The Supply Officer shall have charge of procurement of supplies and ammunition, will supervise the ammo details for each range, and see that all supplies and equipment needed on the ranges are present. (Messing and billeting will be arranged by HD WVSTARC, or as announced annually in AGD-WV memo).

41. Uniform.

a. Firers. Class E with LBE except in WVNG ASSN Trophy match, in which the class C uniform may be worn.

b. Range Officials. Class C or Battle Dress Uniform (BDU) with State Team Cap.

c. Range Detail. Class C or BDU.

d. Pit Detail. Class C with steel helmets.

e. Field jackets, raincoats, and ponchos may be worn if weather dictates.

f. Range personnel will wear State Team Caps, arm bands or distinctive markings on helmet liners to designate assignment.

42. Reporting. All team captains or their representative will arrive NLT 2100 hours, Friday to attend the team captains meeting. The detailed MPs (weapons security) shall arrive NLT 1500 hrs Friday. All other detailed personnel and firers will arrive Camp Dawson NLT 0001 hours, Saturday, except personnel who live within commuting distance of Camp Dawson. Team Captains will also report to Match Headquarters before departing Camp Dawson.

43. Transportation. Government transportation is authorized for travel to and from practice sessions and the actual matches. Units will account for gasoline used for travel as "training gasoline". Private transportation may be used at the individual's own expense with no reimbursement from State or Federal funds.

44. Subsistence. All personnel will be attached for rations to HD, WVSTARC, WVARNG.

45. Training Status. Participants may be given equivalent training credit or be authorize split assembly.

**SECTION VIII - INDOOR SMALLBORE RIFLE AND PISTOL MATCHES.**

46. Indoor smallbore rifle and pistol competition is encouraged for all units of the West Virginia National Guard for the following reasons:

- a. To develop a high level of proficiency with individual service weapons through a training program with smaller caliber weapons.
- b. Promote a higher level of esprit de corps through competition.
- c. Provide a broad base for training and selection of personnel for the State teams.

47. Four separate and distinct indoor match programs are conducted each year with .22 caliber weapons. These programs with appropriate references are outlined in the following paragraphs.

48. Chief, National Guard Bureau Annual Rifle and Pistol Match Tournaments. General information can be found in NGB Pam 350-7 para 3-3, but the official match programs (4 each) with entry forms are published each year by UMSC and distributed to each unit. The matches include both team and individual postal competition on state, MAC Region II, and national level in the following four types of competition:

- a. CNGB Smallbore Rifle Postal Tournament
- b. CNGB Smallbore Pistol Postal Tournament
- c. CNGB Combat Pistol Postal Tournament
- d. CNGB Combat Rifle Postal Tournament

49. The National Rifle Association of America Annual Rifle Tournament/Governor's Trophy Match Tournaments. (Paragraph 2-3, NGB Pam 350-6). This tournament is a combination postal and shoulder to shoulder matches. The State is divided into Leagues for elimination firing to determine which teams will compete in a State shoulder to shoulder match for determination of the State Champion Team and the winner of the Governor's Trophy. Team composition is two guardspersons and two junior shooters (any young adult who has not reached the age of 19 during the calendar year in which the state championship for this competition is held) from a company size unit. Guardspersons who qualify may compete as juniors. Unit commanders should support this competition, as it brings young people within the community in contact with the National Guard.

a. For the purpose of control and to make shoulder-to-shoulder matches possible in some localities, the State is divided into leagues, as follows:

LEAGUE I

\*STARC, WVARNG  
HD, STARC  
229th Engr Det  
USPFO for WV  
Army Trn Site (Dawson)

LEAGUE III

\*111th Engr Gp  
HHC, 111th Engr Gp  
119th Engr Co (CSE)  
193d Engr Co (DT)

LEAGUE V

\*2d SF Bn, 19th SFGA  
HHD, 2/19th SFGA  
Co B, 2/19th SFGA  
Co C, 2/19th SFGA

LEAGUE VII

\*Troop Command  
3664th Maint Company  
146th Med Det (HA)  
157th MP Co (Gd)  
254th Trans Co (LMT)  
152d MP Det (PWIC)  
153d PA Det (Fld Svc)

LEAGUE VIII

\*130th TAG  
" " Airlift Sqdn  
" " CAM Sqdn  
" " Resrces Mgmt Sqdn  
" " Cbt Spt Sqdn  
" " Civil Engr Sqdn  
" " Wpn Sys Sec Flt  
" " Mob Aer Port Sqdn  
" " Commo Flight  
" " TAC Clinic

LEAGUE II

\*1092d Engr Bn (C)  
HHC, 1092d Engr Bn  
Co A, 1092d Engr Bn  
Co B, 1092d Engr Bn  
Co C, 1092d Engr Bn  
Co D, 1092d Engr Bn

LEAGUE IV

\*1st Bn, 201st Fld Arty  
HHC, 1/201st FA  
Btry A, 1/201st FA  
Btry B, 1/201st FA  
Btry C, 1/201st FA  
Svc Btry, 1/201st FA  
249th Army Band

LEAGUE VI

\*1st Sqdn, 150th AC  
HHT, 1/150th AC  
Trp A, 1/150th AC  
Trp B, 1/150th AC  
Trp C, 1/150th AC  
Co D, 1/150th AC  
How Btry, 1/150th AC

LEAGUE IX

\*167th TAG  
" " Airlift Sqdn  
" " CAM Sqdn  
" " Resrces Mgmt Sqdn  
" " Cbt Spt Sqdn  
" " Civil Engr Sqdn  
" " Wpn Sys Sec Flt  
" " Mob Aer Port Sqdn  
" " Commo Flight  
" " TAC Clinic

\* Host Units

b. The Commander of the host unit in each league will appoint a League Witnessing Officer to schedule and supervise league competition. The name, address, business, and residence telephone numbers of the officer appointed will be forwarded

to the State NRA Match OIC, 1703 Coonskin Drive, Charleston, WV 25311, NLT 1 Oct each year.

c. Shoulder-to-shoulder matches are desirable, but due to distance between units, this may not be practical. League Witnessing Officers will determine the type of match to be conducted, and will schedule each unit accordingly. All matches will be conducted in accordance with NGB Pam 350-6.

d. Targets for league matches will be scored by the League Witnessing Officer so that scores can be announced upon completion of the match. A roster showing the full name, rank, and score for each team member who competed will accompany the notification of the winning and runner-up team to be forwarded to the NRA Match OIC prior to 1 February. The winning team of each league and also the high runner-up team will fire the shoulder-to-shoulder match in February of each year to determine the State Champion. Exact time and location will be announced by the match director.

e. Course of Fire. The course of fire will be the National Match Course, which consists of 40 rounds for record fired at 50 ft. in four stages as follows:

- 1). First Stage - 10 rds prone, NRA SB Rule 5.6
- 2). Second Stage - 10 rds standing, NRA SB rule 5.12
- 3). Third Stage - 10 rds sitting, NRA SB rule 5.8
- 4). Fourth Stage - 10 rds kneeling, NRA SB rule 5.10

f. Rifle and Equipment. The rifle used will be the smallbore .22 cal. rifle described in SB 700-20, LIN R94840 and R94703 or equivalent. Adjustable plates on issue rifles may be used for horizontal adjustments only. Additional accessories (i.e., palm rests, vertical adjustment of butt plates or butt hooks) will not be used. The cloth shooting coat may be used; NRA leather or canvas coats are not allowed. Air National Guard (ANG) weapons must also conform. Trigger must be capable of lifting 3 pounds. The sights to be used will be the metal sight - NRA Rule 3.7(a).

g. Target. Target, Smallbore Rifle (NRA A-17), NSN 6920-00-557-4607 will be used.

h. Ammunition. Cal .22 ammunition issued to units is authorized for use by junior members of the unit's team. Match grade issue ammunition will be available for issue to both guardspersons and juniors during the state championship, however competitors may use their own ammunition should they desire.

50. Adjutant General's Trophy Match. This is a 50 foot match using a combination of postal and shoulder-to-shoulder matches to determine the winner of the Adjutant General's Trophy. The same league composition is used for this and the Governor's Trophy Match and the final elimination will be conducted concurrently with the GTM. Team composition is five (5) guardspersons from the same company size unit.

51. First Army Smallbore Rifle and Pistol Matches. Each Army Area (FORSCOM Region) will conduct an annual smallbore rifle and pistol match between 1 August and 31 January each year. This match will be conducted in accordance with Appendix G, FORSCOM/TRADOC Supp 1 to AR 350-6.

#### SECTION IX - WV MARKSMANSHIP TRAINING UNIT

52. WVNG Rifle and Pistol Teams. The State Marksmanship Coordinator (SMC) will select the staff and members of the WVNG Rifle and Pistol Teams from the ranks of outstanding shooters in the WV National Guard.

a. Team Composition. The SMC is authorized to select and train a rifle team of not more than 18 members, and a pistol team of not more than 12 members to represent the WVNG in competitive matches.

b. Team Selection. Thirty (30) days prior to the Annual State Small Arms Matches, rifle and pistol team captains will drop 1/3 of authorized shooters, causing equipment to be cleaned, inventoried, and turned-in. Decisions for elimination will be based upon, but not limited to the following considerations:

- 1). Participation in scheduled practice sessions and matches.
- 2). Scores in practice and competition with emphasis on progress achieved.
- 3). Attitude and cooperation with other team members.
- 4). Status as "Old" or "New" shooter.

c. Vacancies. Vacancies on each team will be filled and equipment issued NLT thirty (30) days following the State Small Arms Matches. Individual selections will be based on judgement of Team Captains and Marksmanship Coordinator after reviewing results of small arms competition and will include consideration of the following:

- 1). Scores
- 2). Availability for practice sessions (one per quarter) and matches.
- 3). Attitude and interest
- 4). Apparent ability/skill and response to coaching
- 5). Status as "Old" or "New" Shooter

a). This procedure will have the effect of causing the lower third of old shooters from each team to compete for retention each year and allow infusion of new talent into the shooting program. Match grade pistol equipment will be made available at State Matches for persons desiring to compete for available spaces.

b). New shooters are required to comply with the intent of the

Marksmanship Training Program and participate to the fullest extent possible.

c). Personnel selected for the rifle and pistol teams normally participate in an additional duty status. Members are authorized to perform split assemblies (one week-end / 4 periods) per quarter to participate in scheduled matches or assist units of the WVNG to improve their shooting program.

d). Assistance to Unit Teams. In order to assist and promote a higher degree of proficiency at the unit level, members of the State Teams will be made available as coaches on request of unit commanders. Request should be forwarded thru channels to the Adjutant General, ATTN: DCSPORT.

d). Shooting Uniform. The SMC may designate an appropriate distinctive shooting uniform for members of the State Teams. Uniform is to be worn only when participating in shooting events.

52. Annual Plan. The SMC will be responsible for the preparation of the State Marksmanship Training Plan (NGB Pam 350-6)

a. This plan should provide guidance to unit commanders in marksmanship subjects, set up a training program and tentative match schedule for the State Marksmanship Unit.

b. Excellence in competition badges and the distinguished shooter designation is desired for all members of the State Marksmanship Training Unit (SMTU). Annual match schedules will be made, giving the opportunity for each state team shooter to compete in the maximum number of "leg" matches authorized by existing regulations.

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