

Plan for July 22th , Practical Pistol Training

Event RO's: Dave Redding
Craig Hetisimer
Gordon Ginnings
Jim Fier

Special Instructions

Please leave your pistol and ammunition in your vehicle as you arrive at the range. We will retrieve the hardware once the range procedures have been discussed.

We will be observing Cold Range Rules

A proper holster is required to participate

100 rounds of ammunition should be more than enough for the event

Agenda

Introduction (**Redding, 6:00-6:15**)

- Introduce the RO's
- Explain why we are here and what we wish to accomplish

Discussion (**Hetisimer, 6:15-7:00**)

- Detailed review of 4-rules (application at range)
- Cold range rules
- Procedure for safely un-bagging/bagging weapons (handguns and rifles)
 - use of safety area/table
- Presentation demonstration (draw stroke)
- Reload demonstration
- Demonstrate the USPSA range commands
 - load, make ready
 - unload, show clear, slide down, hammer down, holster
- Retrieve pistols and hardware from vehicle, following Cold Range Rules

Marksmanship Practice (**RO's, 7:00-7:30**)

- Dry practice of the four-count presentation
 - loading and unloading
 - magazine changes
- Single shots, starting from the holster
 - smooth presentation with correct mechanics
 - sight alignment and sight picture
 - trigger press
 - concentrate on accurate shooting

During this course of fire, we will shoot a few rounds, read the targets, paste the targets and repeat, so that the RO's can diagnose any issues and offer suggestions.

During this course of fire, the RO's will divide the group into two relays. Once everyone has practiced basic marksmanship, we will move the stationary targets to the left side of the range. Relay 1 will move to the USPSA stage while Relay 2 continues to practice marksmanship at 5 yards. Once Relay 1 is finished shooting the stage, Relay 2 will shoot it.

****We can only handle ~15 shooters on the line at one time so, if we have a large turnout, we may have to form two squads.**

Timed Stage (Redding/Ginnings, 7:30-8:30)

- Cold range rules and the 4-rules will enforced
 - observe the 180 degree rule
 - keep finger off the trigger while moving and reloading
 - maintain muzzle discipline at all times (muzzle indexed on targets)
- Must have hearing and eye protection to participate
- Must have a holster suited to concealed carry to participate
 - must fit the handgun
 - strong side hip
 - no shoulder or thigh rigs
- 3 to 4 spare magazines and magazine carriers recommended

Wrap up discussion (Hetisimer, 8:30-8:45)

- Q & A about the material/procedures
- Suggestions for future events
- Review of the 4-rules

Cleanup (All, 8:45-9:00)

Questions and Comments can be sent to:

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Cold Range Rules

The handgun is unloaded, magazine NOT inserted, slide is down and hammer is down on an empty chamber.

The handgun must remain holstered at all times, except when instructed by the RO to load and make ready, or at designated safety areas.

-If you need to handle your firearm or show it to someone, remove all live ammunition from your person and do so at the designated safety table.

Loaded magazines are allowed to be carried while on the range.

Safety Area/Table

This is where guns can be un-bagged/bagged and handled.

-This area will be designated by the event RO's

NO live ammunition allowed at the safety area/table.

-remove loaded magazines from your person before handling the firearm at the safety area/table

While handling the firearm at the safety area/table, keep the muzzle pointed in a safe direction (towards berm). Do not cover other members with the muzzle.

Always carry a handgun in a properly designed holster (trigger covered) or in a bag.