

Mattaponi Sundowners

STAGES FOR SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2023

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Mattaponi Sundowners – Rules and Stage Conventions

- **SASS Rules:** All SASS Rules are in affect; unless documented here, address during the Shooter Safety Meeting or specifically stated in the stage description for a given stage.
- **Round Over Berm:** A round fired over the berm is a Match DQ, excluding shotguns.
- **“No Alibi”:** All matches at Mattaponi are “no alibi” matches. *“Once the first round goes down range, the competitor is committed to the stage and must finish the stage to the best of his or her ability. Reshoots/restarts are not awarded for ammunition or firearm malfunctions. However, if there is a range failure (failure of props, timer, or the range officers) beyond the competitor’s control, a restart may be granted. On a reshoot/restart, the competitor starts over clean, carrying only accrued safety penalties forward. Restarts shall be allowed for a competitor to achieve a “clean” start up to the point at which the first round goes down range. Multiple restarts by the same shooter, that in the judgment of the R.O. are seen to be taking advantage, will not be entertained as they are not in the spirit of the game.”*
- **SASS Stage Conventions:** Unless specifically stated in the stage description for a given stage, all SASS Stage Conventions are in affect.
- **Shotgun Knockdown Misses:** Unless specifically stated in the stage description for a given stage and pursuant to SASS rules, all shotgun knockdown targets may be reengaged until down, aka “Comstock Rule”.
- **Loading on the Move:** Loading on the move is permitted pursuant to SASS rules.
- **Drawing on the Move:** Drawing on the move is permitted pursuant to SASS rules.
- **Muzzle Position:** When there is a risk of a prop blocking the muzzle of a firearm, the muzzle must be positioned downrange of the prop, as determined by the Range Officer. For example: shooting through the window of a store front or shooting beside a wall.
- **End of Stage:** Unless otherwise directed by a Range Officer, after a stage has been completed the shooter will safely retrieve rifle, shotgun, and pistols and move them to the unloading table. The shooters firearms will not leave the unloading table until they have been verified “cleared” by a Range Officer.
- **Coaching:** Any shooter who wishes to not receive coaching must state their preference at the beginning of each stage. The Mattaponi Sundowners strongly believe that shooters helping shooters (coaching) is a critical component of the “Cowboy Way” and part of what makes this game great!! Therefore coaching is strongly encouraged and supported.

The Spotters Creed:

If you know that it’s a Hit...It’s a Hit

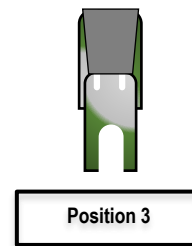
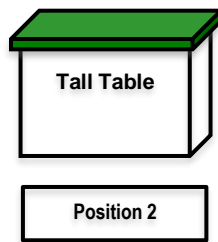
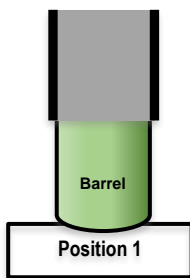
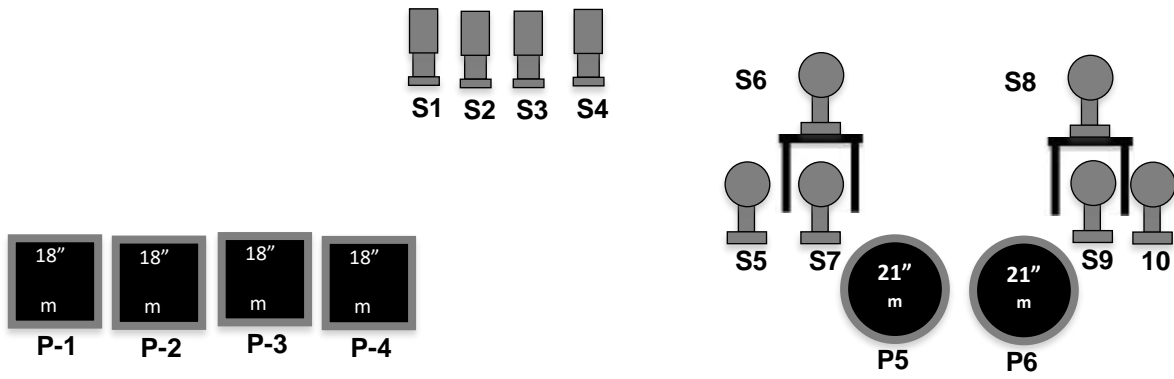
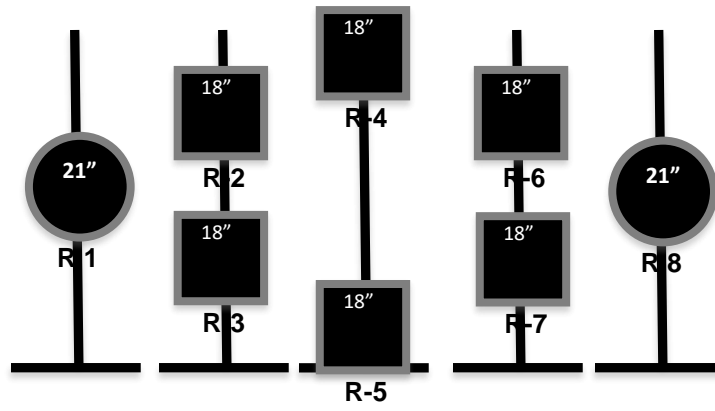
If you know that it’s a Miss...It’s a Miss

If you think it’s a Hit...It’s a Hit

If you think it’s a Miss...IT’S A HIT

Benefit of the doubt always goes to the shooter

BAY 2: STAGES 1-6



STAGE 1

ROUND COUNT/SHOOTING ORDER: Rifle 10, Pistols 5 each, Shotgun 6+. Rifle not last.

STAGING: Rifle staged at position 3, Shotgun staged at position 3, Pistols holstered.

Procedure: The shooter starts at position 3 with hands at low surrender. When ready the shooter says **"I'm Ready."** At the beep, engage rifle targets R1 and R8 (the two round ones) with 5 rounds each, with pistols engage pistol targets P5 and P6 with 5 rounds each, with shotgun engage shotgun targets S5-S10 in any order until down. Pick up long guns and move to the unloading table.

STAGE 2

ROUND COUNT/SHOOTING ORDER: Pistols 5 each, Rifle 10, Shotgun 4+

STAGING: Pistols holstered, Rifle staged at position 2, Shotgun staged at position 2.

PROCEDURE: The shooter starts at position 1 with hands on pistol/pistols. When ready the shooter says **"I'm Ready."** At the beep with pistols engage the P1-P4 targets in this order: P1, P2, P3, P2, P1, P4, P3, P2, P3, P4. Next from position 2 with rifle engage the rifle targets in this order: R2, R4, R6, R4, R2, R7, R5, R3, R5, R7. Next with shotgun engage the S1-S4 shotgun targets in any order. Pick up long guns and move to the unloading table.

STAGE 3

ROUNDCOUNT/SHOOTING ORDER: Rifle 10, Pistols 5 each, Shotgun 4+

STAGING: Rifle held safely pointed downrange at position 2, Pistols holstered, Shotgun staged safely.

PROCEDURE: The shooter starts at position 2 holding the rifle pointed safely downrange. When ready the shooter says **"I'm Ready."** At the beep, the shooter engages the rifle targets in this order: R1, R1, R1, R2, R3, R8, R8, R8, R6, R7. Next with pistols from position 1 engage the P1-P4 pistol targets in this order: P1, P1, P1, P2, P3, P4, P4, P4, P3, P2. Next with shotgun from position 2 engage the S1-S4 shotgun targets in any order until down. Pick up long guns and move to the unloading table.

STAGE 4

ROUND COUNT/SHOOTING ORDER: Shotgun 6+, Rifle 10, Pistols 5 each.

STAGING: Shotgun held at port arms at position 3, Rifle staged safely, Pistols holstered.

PROCEDURE: The shooter starts at position 3 with shotgun held at port arms. When ready the shooter says **"I'm Ready."** At the beep with shotgun engage S5-S10 in any order until down. Next with rifle from position 2 engage the R1-R8 in this order: R1, R8, R2, R7, R4, R5, R6, R3, R8, R1. Make rifle safe. Move to position 1 and with pistols engage the P1-P4 pistol targets with a progressive sweep from either end. Pick up long guns and move to the unloading table.

STAGE 5

ROUND COUNT/SHOOTING ORDER: Rifle 10, Pistols 5 each, Shotgun 4+. Rifle not last.

STAGING: Pistols holstered, Rifle staged safely, Shotgun staged at position 2,
Pistols fired from position 1. Rifle and Shotgun are fired from position 2.

PROCEDURE: Shooter starts at either position 1 or 2 with arms folded across chest.

Pistol order is P1, P1, P2, P3, P4, P4, P4, P3, P2, P1 from position 1.

Rifle order is R1, R1, R3, R5, R7, R8, R8, R6, R4, R2 from position 2.

Shotgun: S1-S4 in any order from position 2.

Pick up long guns and move to the unloading table.

STAGE 6

ROUND COUNT/SHOOTING ORDER: Rifle 10, Pistols 5 each, shotgun 4+.

STAGING: Rifle staged at position 2, Pistols holstered, Shotgun 4+.

PROCEDURE: The shooter starts at position 2 with hands at default. When ready the shooter says **"I'm Ready."** At the beep engage any 5 rifle targets with 2 rounds each, for example: R5, R5, R3, R3, R2, R2, R4, R4, R6, R6. Next, move to position 1 and engage the P1-P4 pistol target with 5 rounds at least one round on each target. Then move to position 3 and place 5 rounds on P5 and P6 with at least 1 round on each. Next with shotgun engage S6-S9 in any order until down. Pick up long guns and move to the unloading table.