

# Illinois State Championship Standard Record Stage Layout & Procedure

Required minimums: 10 pistol, 10 rifle, 4+ shotgun

## Pistol:

Maximum of 16-inch squares. Targets may be smaller.

Pistol targets separated by 1 *foot* between them (measured between nearest edges). Distance from firing line, 4 yards.

Targets must be at same height, minimum of target bottom at 15 inches off ground.

## Rifle:

Maximum of 16-inch squares. Targets may be smaller.

Rifle targets separated by 1.5 feet (18 inches) between them (measured between nearest edges). Distance from firing line, 9 yards.

Targets must be at same height, minimum of target bottom at 26 inches off ground.

## Shotgun:

Targets must sit on the ground and be knock-over or knock-down types. Target area must not be larger than 12 inches in its broadest (horizontal) dimension. The target area on Standard Poppers (i.e., tall thin knock-down targets with a circular target area at or near the top) is measured across the largest diameter of the circular target area, not along the length/height of the popper.

Targets at 6 yards from firing line (measured on a perpendicular). Targets will be separated by 1 *foot* measured between nearest edges.

Rightmost target of the 2 targets on the left will be offset from left pistol target by 4 feet.

Leftmost target of the 2 targets on the right will be offset from the right pistol target by 4 feet.

## Procedure:

**Rifle** will be staged on table, action closed, hammer down on empty chamber (not on half-cock), loaded with 10 rounds.

**Shotgun** will be staged on table, action open and empty, all shells to come from shooters person.

**Pistols** will be loaded with 5 rounds each, hammers down on the empty chamber (not on half-cock or safety notch), holstered.

**Shooting Order:** Shooter's choice, rifle must not be last

Shooter will start at **low surrender** (wrists above respective shoulders and visible from behind). Shooter will be positioned at the middle point of the stage, centered behind the table, and will remain in place for the stage run (stand and deliver stage).

At the buzzer: With the gun of choice

- With the pistol, sweep the five pistol targets twice in the same direction. Holster pistols if not shot last. First pistol may either be holstered or placed on table after firing if pistols are shot last.
- With rifle, engage the rifle targets with two sweeps, both in the same direction. Rifle must go back to table, action open and clear.
- With shotgun, knock over 4 targets, a minimum of 4 shots must be fired. Restaged on table open and clear if not shot last.

## Other guidelines:

- **Total Time:** The lowest **Total Time** recorded in each category by an Eligible Shooter on the Standard Illinois Record Stage during a SASS-sponsored Illinois State Championship will qualify as the State Record.
  - The **Total Time** will include all penalties assessed on the stage.
- **Eligible Shooter to hold the Illinois Standard Stage Record:** Shooters who are registered as Illinois residents in the State Championship match are eligible to hold the Illinois Standard Stage Record (i.e., the same requirement for being eligible to become an Illinois Category Champion at State Championships).
- **Impact if the shooter does not finish the match (DNF):** If a shooter is unable to finish the match for any reason other than Match Disqualification (e.g., gun malfunction, health, etc.) their time recorded on the Standard Illinois Record Stage, if any, qualifies to be considered for the State Record.
- **Impact of a Stage Disqualification (SDQ):**
  - **SDQ while shooting the Standard Stage:** If a shooter receives a Stage Disqualification while shooting the Illinois Standard Stage at a Championship match they are ineligible to set a Standard Stage Record on that day, even in the unlikely event their Total Time would otherwise have qualified as a record.
  - **SDQ while shooting another Match Stage:** A single stage disqualification on a different stage has no impact on the shooter's ability to set or hold the Standard Stage record.
- **Impact of a Match Disqualification (MDQ):** If a shooter receives a Match Disqualification at any point during a Championship match they will be ineligible to set a new Standard Stage record on that day, regardless of their time on the Illinois Standard Stage. This includes, but is not limited to, receiving a Match DQ for having two Stage DQs.
- **Updating Records:** Qualifying times shot by eligible shooters at subsequent State Championships will be compared to the existing state record and updated accordingly.

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**Stage Layout:** (all distances measured from a line parallel to the firing line and even with the back of the table)

