

National Rifle Association

# Intercollegiate Pistol Sectionals

2020



## I. GENERAL INFORMATION NRA INTERCOLLEGIATE PISTOL SECTIONALS

### A. General Match Information for Pistol Sectionals

Each Sectional Tournament is conducted by a local sponsor who provides the facilities and personnel as a service to the teams and individuals who participate. Sectionals are registered matches and guidelines for registered matches will be followed.

Since these are indoor tournaments and shooting conditions are almost identical for each, it is possible to conduct them at a number of locations throughout the country. Teams may select the most conveniently located Sectional to attend. A list of Sectionals is listed in the *Coming Events* section of the **SHOOTING SPORTS USA** online magazine each month. Details regarding a Sectional are to be obtained directly from the local sponsor. <http://www.nrapublications.org/index.php/shooting-sports-usa/>

Teams and individuals may fire in multiple Intercollegiate Sectionals of each type per year (Air Pistol, Standard Pistol, and Sport Pistol).

**For 2020: By popular consensus, coaches have elected to combine the mens and womens air pistol course of fire into one 60 shot course for Sectionals and Nationals purposes. Additionally, coaches have elected to combine the Sport Pistol event for both men and women. Free Pistol will not be a fired event during the Sectionals or Nationals in 2020.**

A competitor may fire either on a varsity or club team or on an ROTC team.

A National Bulletin that lists every score fired in an Intercollegiate Sectional will be available to each competitor. Every eligible team is encouraged to take part in the Sectionals as they are an excellent training field for beginning teams and a proving ground for experienced teams.

The NRA provides an Official Referee when possible. NRA also provides awards for Sectional Tournaments. The tournament host provides the range facilities, personnel, and targets.

**The Match Director may require that any or all fired targets from any Sectional be sent to NRA Headquarters for rescoring.**

**All fired targets must be retained until the challenge period for the Final Results Bulletin has ended, which is two weeks after the bulletin has been posted.**

**Only a single team from an institution may represent that institution. ROTC Teams must declare before the qualifying Sectional whether they are attempting to qualify for either the National Open Collegiate Pistol Championship or the National ROTC Championship.**

### B. Match Conditions

**Rules:** All scores to be recognized as Sectional scores must be fired under the most current NRA Int'l Pistol Rules and should be used throughout the 2019-2020 academic season. NRA National Sectional ranking will be determined from the NRA Int'l Pistol Rule Book by applying eligibility and tie breaking rules to all Sectional scores. All sponsors, match staff, coaches and competitors are responsible for knowing and abiding by the NRA Rules. <http://www.competitions.nra.org/official-nra-rule-books.aspx>

**Eligibility:** NRA Rule 2.8 applies in that Intercollegiate Sectional matches are open to individuals and teams whose members represent any one college, junior college or university, provided each member is eligible for participation in intercollegiate competition under the rules of the institution.

\*For purposes of NRA Intercollegiate Sectionals/Nationals ONLY: a collegian may compete for a maximum of four years during their undergraduate career. Collegians must be full-time during the semesters in which they compete, except for a seniors' final semester which may be less than 12 hours. If a collegian goes to graduate school directly after graduation from undergraduate school, and has one, or more, year(s) of eligibility left, the graduate student may compete (and complete their four years of eligibility) in their first year of graduate school. No student may compete in the Intercollegiate Sectional Program for more than four separate calendar years.

Students enrolled at any of the United States Service Academies may not compete in the ROTC category in this program.

Only NRA members are eligible for NRA National Records.

For reference, a complete reading of rule 2.8 is as follows:

Regularly enrolled undergraduate students who carry 12 or more semester hours or the equivalent in an accredited two or four-year collegiate level institution and who have not received a Bachelor's Degree. Eligibility to compete as a collegian shall extend for a maximum of four years within a five-year period beginning when a student first attends any class as a full-time (12 or more credit hours) student. The five-year period may only be interrupted by extended military service. (60 consecutive days or more), service with a recognized foreign aid agency of the U.S. Government or certified missionary service.

In order for scores from a Sectional to be recognized for NRA Sectional Awards there must be teams and individuals entered in the Sectional concerned from at least two eligible institutions. Written consent may be given (must be requested) from NRA headquarters in the event that teams cannot travel.

**The NRA must receive completed sectional paperwork by Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup>. Please do not wait to submit your scores. SUBMIT YOUR SCORES IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE SECTIONAL ENDS.**

**Intercollegiate Sectional scores received after the 19<sup>th</sup> will be ineligible for Championship qualification unless an official NRA exemption has been issued. Please submit completed scores in a timely fashion. Please submit payment as soon as possible, if it does not accompany the scores.**

***Please note: it is the responsibility of each competitor to make sure that their personal information is complete. Illegible and incomplete score submissions will be ENTERED LAST, IF AT ALL.***

**NRA requires permanent home addresses for each competitor for classification purposes. DO NOT SUBMIT SCHOOL ADDRESSES ON THE SPREADSHEETS for the competitors.**

**Date of Sectionals:** Sectionals are conducted between January 4 and February 16, 2020 as the local sponsor chooses. See *Coming Events* in **SHOOTING SPORTS USA** online for Sectional locations and dates. <http://www.nrapublications.org/index.php/shooting-sports-usa/>

**Entries:** Complete the entry form and mail with the correct remittance to your Sectional sponsor, not the NRA Headquarters.

**Entry Closing Date:** All entries should be made two weeks prior to the Sectional that competitors elect to enter. If range space is available, post entries may be accepted by the tournament sponsor.

**Equipment:** All equipment used in these matches must be in accordance with NRA Int'l Pistol Rules.

**Coaching:** No coaching on the firing line is allowed. Rule 9.10 & 12.2.

**Ties:** Ties will be broken by the method prescribed in Section 15 of the NRA Int'l Pistol Rules for NRA Sectionals awards and ranking for national bulletin (Air - 15.3, 15.7(a), Standard Pistol and Sport Pistol - 15.4, 15.7(b)). Please be familiar with these rules.

**Challenges:** Competitors may challenge the value of doubtful shot holes in accordance with procedures detailed in Section 16 of the NRA Int'l Pistol Rules. Challenge fees are determined by the sectional sponsor.

**Souvenir:** To each firing competitor, team, team captain, and match staff in the Sectional Tournaments, souvenir pins will be awarded to recognize their participation in the NRA Intercollegiate Sectional Championships.

**National Sectional Bulletin: Official Collegiate Results Bulletin** will be available online as soon as scores are compiled. The bulletin will list all scores fired in the 2020 NRA Intercollegiate Sectionals. There will be a separate listing of the All-American Teams, the results of the NRA Intercollegiate Rifle Club Championships and the NRA Intercollegiate Pistol Championships. The ranking of the national scores will become final two weeks after the posting of the official bulletin. All challenges and protests regarding the findings in the official bulletin must be filed with the National Rifle Association before the two weeks have elapsed.

## **II. SPECIFIC INFORMATION**

### **NRA INTERCOLLEGIATE PISTOL SECTIONALS**

#### **A. Sectional Match No. 1 - Standard Pistol Individual**

**Open to:** See Eligibility.

**Entry Fee:** \$10.00 per competitor.

**Course of Fire:** Standard Pistol Course (Rule 7.3); 3 courses of 20 shots each. Each course consists of four 5-shot series.

1. 4x5 shots in 150 seconds per 5-shot series.
2. 4x5 shots in 20 seconds per 5-shot series.
3. 4x5 shots in 10 seconds per 5-shot series.

**Sighting Shots:** A maximum of 5 sighting shots are permitted. Before the competition begins, a series of 5 sighting shots may be fired within a time limit of 150 seconds. Rule 10.13(b).

**Time:** As specified above.

**Targets:** Official NRA 50 foot B-33 targets will be used.

**Range:** 50 feet.

**Pistol:** Standard Pistols with the long barrels can be fired in competition at the Sectionals. National Records may not be established using the long barrel. All Standard Pistols used at the NRA's Intercollegiate Pistol Championships must comply with Rule 3.5.

## **B. Sectional Match No. 2 - Standard Pistol Team**

**Open to:** Team of four firing members and a Team Captain. (Captain may be a firing member.) See Eligibility.

**Entry Fee:** \$12.00 per team.

**Course of Fire:** (1) An aggregate comprised of scores fired by team members in Match No. 3 or (2) A separately fired team score. If any of the team members have fired as individuals, then the team score must consist of those individuals' scores from Match No. 3. If the team members do not wish to fire in individual scores, then a separately fired team score will count. **Team members must be designated before the individual match commences.**

## **C. Sectional Match No. 3 - Air Pistol Individual - Men and Women**

**Open to:** See Eligibility.

**Entry Fee:** \$10.00 per competitor.

**Course of Fire:** Air Pistol Course (Rule 7.5), 60 shots standing.

**Sighting Shots:** Unlimited sighting shots are allowed. All sighting shots must be fired before the first record shot. (Rule 10.15(b).)

**Time:** Total time allowed will be 1 hour and 45 minutes including sighters.

**Targets:** Official NRA 10-meter, B-40/1 or B-40/4 targets will be used, or an electronic version thereof (Rules 7.6, 10.10 and 14.3.3) Only one shot per bullseye.

**Range:** 10 meters (33 ft.)

**Pistols:** Air Pistol, .177 caliber (Rule 3.7).

## **D. Sectional Match No. 4 - Air Pistol Team - Team members may be men and women**

**Open to:** Teams of four firing members and a team captain. (Captain may be a firing member). See Eligibility.

**Entry Fee:** \$12.00 per team.

**Course of Fire:** (1) An aggregate comprised of scores fired by team members in Match No. 5, or (2) A separately fired team score. If any of the team members have fired as individuals, then the team score must consist of those individuals' scores from Match No. 5. If the team members do not wish to fire individual scores, then a separately fired team score will count. **Team members must be designated before the individual match commences.**

## **E. Sectional Match No. 5 - Sport Pistol Individual – Men and Women**

**Open to:** See Eligibility.

**Entry Fee:** \$10.00 per competitor.

**Course of Fire:** Women's Sport Pistol course (Rule 7.2), 2 courses of 30 shots each. Each course consists of:

**Precision Course:** 6 series of 5 shots in 6 minutes.

**Rapid Fire Course:** 6 series of 5 shots in 3 seconds with a 7 second pause.

This means: The precision Course will be preceded by a 5 shot series of sighting shots, fired within the Precision time, fired on the B-33 target. The Rapid Fire Course will be preceded by a 5 shot series of sighting shots fired within the Rapid Fire time. Each shot to be fired within a 3 second exposure of the target with each exposure being spaced 7 seconds apart, fired on the B-39 target.

**Sighting Shots:** A maximum of 5 sighting shots are allowed within 6 minutes, (Rule 7.2 & 10.12(a)4, (b)4.

**Time:** As specified above.

**Targets:** Official NRA 50 feet B-33 targets will be used for Precision Course and B-39 targets will be used for Rapid Fire Course.

**Range:** 50 feet.

**Pistol:** Same as Standard Pistol. See section C for details.

**F. Sectional Match No. 6 - Sport Pistol Team - Team members may be men and women**

**Open to:** Teams of three firing members and a team captain. (Captain may be a firing member) See Eligibility.

**Entry Fee:** \$12.00 per team.

**Course of Fire:** (1) An aggregate comprised of scores fired by team members in Match No. 7, or (2) A separately fired team score. If any of the team members have fired as individuals, then the team score must consist of those individuals' scores from Match No. 7. If the team members do not wish to fire individual scores, then a separately fired team score will count. **Team members must be designated before the individual match commences.**

**NEW! Rapid Fire Pistol will be the "Official Side Match" for both the Sectionals and the Nationals.**

**Awards will be given at the Nationals only.**

**K: Side Match No. 1 – Rapid Fire Pistol**

**Course of Fire:** Rapid Fire Pistol Match (Rule 7.1) - The program is 60 competition shots. Firing will be divided into two courses each of 30 shots. Each course is subdivided into 6 series of 5 shots each, two in 8 seconds, two in 6 seconds and two in 4 seconds fired on the International Rapid Fire Pistol target. The first course must be completed by all competitors before the second course may commence. Before the beginning of each 30-shot course, competitors may fire one sighting series of 5 shots at 8, 6 or 4 seconds at their own option. Preparation Time: Three (3) minutes.

**Entry Fee:** \$5.00 per competitor.

**M. Awards**

The following awards will be provided by the NRA. The sponsoring organization may provide additional awards.

**Sectional Individual Awards:** The high scoring competitor at each Sectional will receive a Gold Sectional Medallion. The second highest scoring competitor will receive a Silver Sectional Medallion if 7 or more competitors enter. The third highest scoring competitor will receive a Bronze Sectional Medallion if 10 or more competitors enter. The high ROTC individual in Standard and Air Pistol will receive a medal, providing there are at least 2 individuals in each category. PLEASE NOTE: the top "lady" in Air Pistol and Sport Pistol will receive a gold medal.

**Sectional Team Awards:** The high scoring team at each Sectional Tournament will receive commemorative tankards provided there are 2 or more teams competing. Mug categories are: Air Pistol, Standard Pistol, Sport Pistol, Women's Air Pistol & Women's Sport Pistol. There are no ROTC tankards.

### **III. NRA NATIONAL INTERCOLLEGIATE PISTOL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The National Rifle Association is proud to sponsor the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual NRA National Intercollegiate Pistol Championships. The Championships will be held March 14-17, 2020 at Fort Benning Military Base, Columbus, GA.

<http://www.competitions.nra.org/collegiate/intercollegiate-pistol-championships.aspx>

#### **A. Eligibility**

Teams and individuals will be invited based on the 2020 NRA Intercollegiate Pistol Sectional scores. Scores for selection to the championships must be postmarked and received by the NRA no later than Wednesday, February 19th, 2020. Sectional sponsors and coaches are encouraged to call the NRA to verify receipt of arrival of their sectional scores for those who may be eligible for invitation to the Championships. Call Victoria Taylor (703) 267-1473.

#### **B. Invitations**

Shooting events will include Standard Pistol, Air Pistol, Sport Pistol, and Side Match Rapid Fire Pistol. The top ten teams and no less than the top thirty individuals from the Standard Pistol, Air Pistol and Sport Pistol Sectional events will be invited to compete in the Championships. Women will be invited to participate in a paper Women's Sport Pistol Championship and a paper Women's Air Pistol Championship in both individual and team events. Anticipate twenty invitations for the individual women's events, and five to seven women's team invitations. Side Match participation at the Nationals will depend upon participation in the Sectionals and interest at the Nationals. Once the top teams and individuals are selected from the Sectional scores, selectees will be notified. Complete details will follow in the Championship Program.

#### **C. Competition**

The course of fire for the individual matches will be 60 shots Standard Pistol, 60 shots Air Pistol, and 60 shots Sport Pistol. The team scores will be an aggregate of the individual scores. Open/Co-ed teams will consist of four team members each. Women's teams will consist of three team members each.

#### **D. Rules**

The most current NRA Int'l Pistol Rules will govern the NRA Intercollegiate Pistol Championships. All Standard Pistols used at the Championships must comply with Rule 3.5.

#### **E. Jury**

NRA will provide the Jury for the Championships.

#### **F. Awards**

The 2020 National Individual and Team Champions will be named in Standard Pistol, Air Pistol and Sport Pistol from the scores fired at the NRA Intercollegiate Pistol Championships. Neck medallions will be presented to the top three individuals in each event and to the top three teams in each event. (The Melaragno Trophy Plaque will be presented). Five Art Sievers Trophy Plaques will be presented to the winning Air Pistol Team Champions. Five Joel S. Sexton Trophy plaques will be presented to the winning Standard Pistol Team Champions. The Side Match winners will be presented medallions. The top three teams in Standard Pistol, Air Pistol and Sport Pistol will receive a team plaque and four medallions. The top three teams in Women's Air Pistol and Women's Sport Pistol will receive a team plaque and three medallions. The West Point Leadership Trophy Plaque will be presented to the winning aggregate team. Team aggregate plaques will be awarded to second and third place aggregate teams in Standard Pistol, Air Pistol and Sport Pistol.

**IV. 2020 NRA INTERCOLLEGIATE  
PISTOL SECTIONAL ENTRY FORM**

Date of Sectional: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State: \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM MATCHES -  
STANDARD PISTOL**

# of Teams \_\_\_\_\_

\$14.00 per Team \_\_\_\_\_

**INDIVIDUAL MATCHES -  
STANDARD PISTOL**

# of Individuals \_\_\_\_\_

\$10.00 per Individual \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM MATCHES -  
AIR PISTOL**

# of Teams \_\_\_\_\_

\$14.00 per Team \_\_\_\_\_

**INDIVIDUAL MATCHES -  
AIR PISTOL**

# of Individuals \_\_\_\_\_

\$10.00 per Individual \_\_\_\_\_

**TEAM MATCHES -  
SPORT PISTOL**

# of Individuals \_\_\_\_\_

\$14.00 per Team \_\_\_\_\_

**INDIVIDUAL MATCHES -  
SPORT PISTOL**

# of Individuals \_\_\_\_\_

\$10.00 per Individual \_\_\_\_\_

**Side Match #1 – Rapid Fire Pistol**

# of Individuals \_\_\_\_\_

\$5.00 per Individual \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL ENCLOSED \_\_\_\_\_  
(Team and Individual)**

**THE SCHOOL REPRESENTED BY THIS ENTRY IS  
AFFILIATED WITH THE NRA**

I certify that all teams and individuals included in this entry are eligible according to match regulations and rules.

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Coach

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

College/University \_\_\_\_\_



**Coaches, Sectional Sponsors, Team Captains, Competitors!**  
**\*Please post this on the official match bulletin board\***

Everyone **MUST READ** this entire sheet!

**PLEASE** make sure competitors fill out their scorecards/spreadsheets ENTIRELY. Every blank must be filled in, and all selections need to be clearly marked or circled.

**PLEASE** be sure that ALL competitors fill out an individual scorecard/spreadsheet, even if they are only shooting for team record. The address information is necessary for the database.

**PLEASE be sure the competitors use their permanent home addresses on their scorecards/spreadsheets. The address listed is entered in our classification database and must remain the same until a permanent HOME move is made.**

**PLEASE** look for the **2020 All American forms** on the NRA Collegiate Programs website: <http://www.nrahq.org/compete/coldir.asp>

The Coach Award nomination forms are also available on the same website.

Thank you for your attention, and support in this matter!