



NRA – VFW RIFLE POSTAL MATCHES

These postal rifle matches are conducted by the National Rifle Association in cooperation with the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. They are designed for VFW rifle teams as a sport activity for youth and adults to build interest in rifle shooting and safety. Both individual and team matches are offered for Smallbore Rifle, Sporter and Precision Air Rifle.

ELIGIBILITY

The Postal Match is open to any member of a rifle team which is sponsored by a Veterans of Foreign Wars Post. Competitors, who have not reached their 19th birthday by December 1, are eligible to compete in the Junior category. Competitors, who are 19 or older as of December 1st will compete in the Adult category. Persons who begin the team match as a Junior, but turn 19 after the series begins, may continue as a Junior competitor for the remaining series.

INDIVIDUAL MATCHES

The Individual Matches are fired during December *only* and firing reports are due (or postmarked) to NRA by December 31. Individual entries may be made at any time provided the above deadline can be met.

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

The VFW will present a First Place award to the National Individual Match winner with the highest individual score in each category and each discipline. Awards will be provided for the Smallbore Matches and the Air Rifle Matches with a winner in each category (Adult and Junior). Additional National awards to the next highest scores will be given by the VFW for each individual entry over a minimum of 20.

TEAM MATCHES

This series of matches is fired during December, January, February, and March. Scores will accumulate each month. Winners will be selected by the aggregate score of all four series.

TEAM COMPOSITION

Teams consist of up to ten shooters with the five high scores to count for team total. No shooter may fire on more than one team during the match. Team members may be changed from month to month provided they meet the eligibility requirements.

TEAM ENTRY DATES

Team entries may be made at any time provided all four (4) series are fired and scores are returned to NRA by April 5th.

TEAM FIRING DATES

One set of targets will be fired for each series. Targets may be fired in advance of the stated month, if so desired. Series end dates are listed below:

1st Series - Dec 31

2nd Series - Jan 31

3rd Series - Feb 28

4th Series - Mar 31

Club coaches/instructors will score all targets and hold them until 6 weeks after the results are posted on-line.

TEAM AWARDS

The Veterans of Foreign Wars will provide a VFW National Award to the winning team in the national aggregate ranking by scores. This award will be provided for the Smallbore Matches and the Air Rifle Matches with a winner in each category (Adult and Junior). Additional team awards will be presented by the VFW for each additional 15 teams entered.

Supervision: All shooting will be under the supervision of a team instructor or other responsible adult designated by the club to act as the Official Witness.

Mail entry form, fees and scores to: NRA | Competitive Shooting Division | 11250 Waples Mill Rd | Fairfax, VA 22030. Or email scores to: ddanielson@nrahq.org

It is the responsibility of the competitors to check their scores as listed in the online results. The challenge period will be included in the online results and all errors or omissions must be reported to NRA prior to the conclusion of the challenge period. At the conclusion of the challenge period all scores are final and no changes to the results are allowed. (See appropriate NRA Rule Book, Sections 16 and 18). Postal Results are available at: <https://competitions.nra.org/results-and-records/national-matches-results/nra-postal-match-results/>

MATCH CONDITIONS

Smallbore Rifle Matches 1-4

Course of fire: 50 feet from the firing line to the target; 10 shots each position: prone, standing and kneeling. Firing may be indoors or outdoors. Competitors may fire only once (not a re-entry match).

Equipment: Any .22 caliber rim fire rifle, which conforms to the additional restrictions in Rule 3.2 of the NRA Smallbore Rifle rule book, is permitted. The use of a sling is permitted. *Only Metallic sights may be used.*

Targets

NRA official A-17 targets are required. Only one shot is fired on each record bull. Target acquisition is the responsibility of the competitor. Targets may be purchased locally or for a list of target manufacturers, visit: <https://competitions.nra.org/competition-resources/nra-licensed-target-manufacturers/>

Target seals are no longer required; each competitor will identify targets prior to firing by signing the back of the target behind the #1 scoring bullseye.

All firing will be done by single cartridge loading. For safety reasons, **the use of a clip or magazine is not permitted.**

Unlimited sighting shots are permitted, but no additional time will be allowed for sighting shots. Coaches and instructors may permit shooters a warm-up period prior to firing their record scores. During this warm-up period, they must do their shooting on other than record targets. The record target is to be used only during the record firing period.

Competitors and coaches may use spotting scopes for observing targets.

Rules: In all cases not covered by these conditions, the current NRA Smallbore Rifle rules will apply. **NRA Rule Books are now available on-line at:** <https://competitions.nra.org/competition-resources/rule-books/>

Air Rifle Matches 5-12

Course of fire: 10 meters (33 feet) from the firing line to the target. 10 shots each position: prone, standing and kneeling. Firing may be indoors or outdoors. Competitors may fire only once (not a re-entry match).

Equipment: Sporter Air Rifle and Precision Air Rifle

Any type of compressed air or CO2 rifle of conventional appearance, which conforms to the additional restrictions in Rule 3.2 (Sporter) or Rule 3.1 (Precision) is permitted. Only Metallic sights may be used.

Targets

NRA official AR-5/10 targets are required. Only one shot is fired on each record bull. Target acquisition is the responsibility of the competitor. Targets may be purchased locally or for a list of target manufacturers, visit: <https://competitions.nra.org/competition-resources/nra-licensed-target-manufacturers/>

Target seals are no longer required; each competitor will identify targets prior to firing by signing the back of the target behind the #1 scoring bullseye.

Unlimited sighting shots are permitted, but no additional time will be allowed for sighting shots. Coaches and instructors may permit shooters a warm-up period prior to firing their record scores. During this warm-up period, they must do their shooting on other than record targets. The record target is to be used only during the record firing period.

Competitors and coaches may use spotting scopes for observing targets.

Rules: In all cases not covered by these conditions, the current NRA Position Air Rifle rules will apply. Rule Books are available on-line at: <https://competitions.nra.org/competition-resources/rule-books/>

NRA – VFW Rifle Postal Match Entry Form

VFW Post Number _____ **Name of Instructor:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** ____ **Zip:** _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Smallbore Rifle Matches

MATCH 1 Junior Individual Entry	Number of Entries	_____	MATCH 3 Adult Individual Entry	Number of Entries	_____
MATCH 2 Junior Team Entry		_____	MATCH 4 Adult Team Entry		_____

Air Rifle Matches

MATCH 5 Sporter Jr. Individual	_____	MATCH 9 Adult Ind. Sporter	_____
MATCH 6 Sporter Jr. Team	_____	MATCH 10 Adult Team Sporter	_____
MATCH 7 Precision Jr. Individual	_____	MATCH 11 Adult Ind. Precision	_____
MATCH 8 Precision Jr. Team	_____	MATCH 12 Adult Team Precision	_____

Number of junior individuals _____ x \$5.00 = \$ _____
 Number of adult individuals _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

Number of junior teams _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____
 Number of adult teams _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____

Total due NRA \$ _____