

# **PPC - How Awards are Determined - 2023**

## **Rules**

Course of fire will be our standard 60-round Combat 600 Match (6 rounds per string) for all Gun Classes, except Concealed Carry. Concealed Carry Matches have a 50-round course of fire (5 rounds per string). Both courses of fire are documented separately, and are similar enough that the two types of shooters may be shoot commingled on the same relays.

Gun Classes allowed:

1. Stock Auto (Iron Sights)
2. Stock Revolver (Iron Sights)
3. Stock Rimfire (Iron Sights)
4. Concealed Carry (Iron Sights)
5. Open (Optics)

Note: In the case of other external modifications or other questions, the final Gun Class determination will be made by the Match Director.

Five relays will be held each match date (conditions permitting).

Shooters may shoot multiple relays, and shoot in any or all Gun Classes.

Combat 600 and Concealed Carry shooters may shoot intermingled on the same relay.

A minimum of 50% of entry fees received will be paid back to shooters as cash awards. The remainder of entry fees taken in, less any match expenses, will go to the club as profit.

Awards will be handled separately for each Gun Class.

Aggregate scores from all shooters in the same Gun Class on a given match date will be used to compete for awards. (Note: Maximum possible score for Combat 600 matches is 600-60x. Maximum possible score for Concealed Carry matches is 500-50x.)

Awards will be determined using the Lewis Classification System and the procedures below.

Lewis Classes (A, B, C, etc.) will be established as needed, one for every 10 shooters for each Gun Class.

Place Awards will go to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places within each established Lewis Class.

If needed, the tie-breaker will be highest X-count. If ties still exist (usually a very rare situation), we will use the rules for DECISION OF TIES in Section 15.3 of the NRA Police Pistol Combat Rulebook to break them.

### Exerpt from Rulebook:

15.3 Breaking Ties: When 2 or more competitors or teams have the same numerical score, tie scores will be ranked in the following order:

1. Fired Individual Matches:
  - a. By the greatest number of X's in that match.
  - b. By the fewest misses in that match.
  - c. By the fewest number of shots of the lowest value in that match.
  - d. By the fewest number of shots of the next lower value in that match.
  - e. Etc.

## **Determining Cash Awards**

Following the rules above, we will use the procedures below to determine Lewis Classes and Place Awards.

Each Gun Class will be handled separately for awards and processed as follows:

- The total number of shooters will be used to determine the number of Lewis Classes to be established as follows:
  - For 1-10 shooters, Lewis Class A will be established.
  - For 11-20 shooters, Lewis Class B will be added.
  - For 21-30 shooters, Lewis Class C will be added.
  - For 31-40 shooters, Lewis Class D will be added.
  - For 41-50 shooters, Lewis Class E will be added.
  - For 51-60 shooters, Lewis Class F will be added.
  - Etc.
  - This logic is designed to render an equitable distribution of awards for the number of shooters present, and provides for 1 Lewis Class for every 10 shooters.
- Aggregate scores will be ranked from highest to lowest, based on score and x-count.
- Using the ranked list of Aggregate scores, the total number of shooters will be divided by the number of established Lewis Classes to derive the number of shooters to be assigned to each Lewis Class. With Lewis Class A being the highest, any remainder will go into the lowest established Lewis Class.
- Of the total entry fees taken in, 50% will go into the Total Payout Pot for awards. The Total Payout Pot will then be split using tailored percentages specified for the established Lewis Classes to create fair and balanced Payout Pots for each Class.
- The shooters in 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place within each Lewis Class will receive cash awards using a 50/30/20% split of the money allocated in their respective Payout Pot, with the following stipulations:
  - Awards will be rounded to the nearest dollar to avoid using coins.
  - Shooters who fire multiple relays in the same Gun Class are eligible for winning only one award within a given Lewis Class (e.g., can't win both 1st and 2nd place within Class A, but could win 1st place in Class A and 1st place in Class B).

- Awards in a given Lewis Class where ineligible shooters exist will pass down to the next eligible shooter within the same Lewis Class (if there is one), but will not pass down into the next lower Lewis Class (e.g., won't pass down from Class A to Class B).
- If there are only 2 eligible shooters in Lewis Class A, only 1st and 2nd Places will be awarded, using a 60/40% split of the allocated Payout Pot.
- If there is only 1 eligible shooter in Lewis Class A, only 1st Place will be awarded, using 100% of the allocated Payout Pot.
- These procedures and the detailed criteria for determining awards have been programmed into our automated Lewis Class Payout Calculator to help make it a quick and easy process.
- See the separate How Lewis Class Works for Our Matches spreadsheet for an example showing details on how these rules and procedures for establishing Lewis Classes and determining Awards are applied.

## **Certificate Awards**

Frameable Certificates of Achievement will be provided to shooters who set a new club record or tie an existing club record, and to shooters who fire a perfect 600 score in a Combat 600 Match (Honorary 600 Club), or a perfect 500 score in Concealed Carry Match (Honorary 500 Club).

## **Distribution of Awards**

Cash Awards and Certificates of Achievement will handed out to winners the next time we see you at our club or other local matches. If you are not from our immediate vicinity, we can make special arrangements to get your awards to you.

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