

Cowboy Fast Draw Association

Range Operations Written Exam

For the Reinstatement of

Previously Approved Range Masters.



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All answers are from the current edition of the Gunslinger's Guidelines including new rules & addendums.

1. If I don't know a rule, what do I do?

2. What is the quickest way to find a rule?

1. _____

2. _____

2. Where do I find a Gunslinger's Guidelines CFDA Rulebook at the range?

3. Name four of the five places a gun can be out of a holster or gun case.

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____

4. On the line, when is the first time your gun can be unholstered?

5. What happens if a shooter's opponent doesn't show up?

Topic: 1.250 maximum time limit for a shot

6. Who does this rule apply to and at what type of match?

7. Both shooters A and B fire any shots and both hit their target with times greater than, or obviously over 1.250. #1. At Class A or B Events? #2. At Class C or D Events, sometimes Youth and Adults are mixed?

1. _____ 2. _____

8. How is a hit with a time greater than 1.250 scored on a Score Sheet?

9. Shooter A and B both fire and hit their target. Shooter A's light is blinking but the timers shows the same time for both shooters, what happens?.

Topic: Anticipation

10. Shooter A moves the gun in the holster, actuates the hammer, or draws and fires before the start lights illuminate. Shooter B draws on the light and; #1. Hits the target? #2. Misses the target?, or #3. Does not draw?

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

11. A shooter is either visibly nervous or has a shaking gun hand on the gun, but the gun does not move in the Holster. What is the call?

12. Shooter A fires a shot faster than a World Record, when must it be backed up?

13. If Shooter A does not back up a world record shot what happens if Shooter B had either missed the opposing shot or did not commit a PV or SV?

Topic: Bye Rounds (3 shooters) (Review Page 16. 11th Edition Rules)

14. How many "X's" are there normally as the result a Bye-Round, and the resulting Regular Round?

Anticipation in a Bye round.

15. Shooter A moves the gun before the light. Shooter B and C do not and draw on the light.

16. Shooter A and B both draw before the light. But shooter C does not and draws when the light comes on.

17. Shooter B drops their gun in the Bye round.

18. Shooter B anticipates and draws before the light. Shooters A and C react to shooter B's movement but shooter A shoots down the boot and shooter C drops his gun.

Topic: Timer Malfunctions (Page 17. 10th Edition Rules)

NOTE: All hits must be within the 1.250 time limit. The Range Master and Hand Judges need to be aware of the time it takes for the shooters to fire their shots. Hits judged to be obviously slower than the 1.250 time limit will not count.

19. Shooters A and B both hit their target and there are no recorded times and the Hand Judges **cannot** determine who hit first.

20. Shooter A and B both hit their target but there are no recorded times and the Hand Judges **can** agree which shooter obviously hit first.

21. Only one target is hit and there is no recorded time.

22. Both targets are clearly hit and there is only one recorded time and the Hand Judges **cannot** clearly determine who hit first.

23. A Timer Malfunction, i.e. one or more start light(s) in an array fail to illuminate, causes an affected shooter to begin a draw or actually fire a shot.

Topic: Alibi Procedures for alleged Defective Rounds

Under no circumstance will a shooter fire a shot without an opponent or a time to compete against. NOTE: All hits must be within the 1.250 Time Limit. The Range Master and Hand Judges need to be aware of the time it takes for the shooters to fire their shots. Hits including recovery shots that are slower than the 1.250 Time Limit will not count. There should be a stock gun at the scoring table.

The Range Master will always call "Down Range". The RM will then go down range before loading the round being challenged. After testing the round with a known stock gun the will RM will unload the gun and show clear before returning back across the firing line.

24. What Command is given by the Range Master "immediately" upon any personnel, including the RM, have returned across the Firing Line, while Shooters remained loaded, ready, and holstered on the Firing Line?

25. Shooter A fires and hits the target but Shooter B's gun does not fire and no recovery shot is fired.

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26. Shooter A fires and misses the target, but Shooter B's gun does not fire and no recovery shot is fired.

27. Shooter A fires and hits the target and Shooter B's gun does not go off but he shoots a recovery shot which hits the target under the 1.250 Time Limit.

28. Shooter A fires and misses the target and Shooter B's gun does not go off but he shoots a recovery shot which hits the target over the 1.250 Time Limit.

29. Shooter A & B both fire shoots. Shooter A hits the target with a time. Shooter B appears to have missed but the hand judge states he clearly saw the round explode into a mist as it left the barrel.

30. A Shooter wants to challenge a round that didn't fire, but when handed to the Range Master, there is **not** an indentation on the center of the primer firmly enough that should have detonated a primer.

Topic: Technical Violations (TV)

31. What are the stages of enforcement penalties for Technical Rules

1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

32. When can Technical Rules Carry Forward?

33. If the Shooter decides to use the Safety Notch on a Colt-style action, when must the hammer be partially cocked to place the action on the Safety Notch?

34. (TV) Rule #17: Enforcement Policy. Before a warning or penalty is assessed a Hand Judge, Line Judge, or Range must " _____ " that the muzzle of the gun is being discharged behind the front holster pouch cut. Please fill in the missing words.

Topic: Procedural Violations (PV)

35. All Violations for Procedural Violations Result in? _____

36. If the Shooter begins with their opposite hand in front of their body when the light comes on, can they move it back to their side and then bring it back to actuate the hammer to fire a shot? _____

Topic: Safety Violations (SV)

37. Briefly describe the process for retrieving and clearing a dropped gun.

38. What happens if a Shooter unholsters gun when a person is downrange #1. Anywhere? #2. Directly?

#1. _____ #2. _____

39. What is the penalty for shooting over the backstop? When should it be enforced?

#1. _____ #2. _____

Important Notes:

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Street Address:	

City:	St:	Zip:
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CFDA Regulator or Instructor:

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Step 1: Download the current edition of the CFDA Range Operations Course and review it.

Step 2: Take the (Open Book) Exam on the previous pages.

Step 3: THEN contact a CFDA Regulator or Qualified Range Master Instructor, who has personal knowledge that you have been active at CFDA events, for further instructions.

Step 4: This form may either be mailed or emailed to the Range Master General by the applicant or Regulator or Qualified Instructor at their discretion.

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Fernley, NV 89408

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