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IDPA is the use of practical equipment including full charge service ammunition to solve simulated real world self-defense scenarios using practical handguns and holsters that are suitable for self-defense use. The main goal is to test the skill and ability of an individual.

The complete rulebook is available at IDPA.com. What follows is a condensed summary of the key aspects.

WHEN & WHERE

Matches will be held on the following Wednesday nights:

2018/11/28	2019/02/27
2018/12/12	2019/03/27
2018/01/30	2018/04/24

The schedule of each match is as follows.

4:30pm-5:00pm	Setup
5:00pm-7:00pm	Early Session (Squads 1 and 2)
6:30pm-7:00pm	New Shooter Orientation
7:00pm-9:00pm	Late Session (Squads 3 and 4)
9:00pm-9:30pm	Takedown

All matches are held at Osseo Gun Club, 22 4th St NW, Osseo, MN 55369.

SHOOTER REGISTRATION AND SCORING

Upon arrival, complete a waiver and pay at the Osseo Gun Club main range desk. \$20/shooter.

Please show up early; squads will begin promptly at 5:00pm and 7:00pm. If shooting the early session, help setting up is appreciated, and if shooting the late session, help tearing down is appreciated.

These matches will feature rather simple stages that are designed to be easy to setup/takedown and easy to run through quickly, yet still quite challenging for shooters. The goal is to maximize trigger time and minimize overall total time invested.

Shooting more than one gun in a session is not allowed. However, if (a) you are an IDPA Safety Officer, (b) you shoot the early session, and (c) there are open slots in the late session, you may shoot a second gun in the late session for no additional charge.

Practiscore pre-registration is required to guarantee a spot; if squads are full and you did not pre-register, you will not be able to shoot the match.

Registration before the match, as well as scoring after the match, can be found at:
https://practiscore.com/clubs/osseo_gun_club_idpa

EQUIPMENT

The following equipment is required to participate:

Firearm: A properly working pistol or revolver, 9mm/.38 caliber or larger.

Holster: A strong side holster that covers the entire trigger guard, no pocket, shoulder, appendix, or cross draw permitted.

Magazines: At least 2 spare magazines. A method of carry such as a belt mounted double magazine is recommended, but pockets may be used for magazines.

Ammunition: At least 150 rounds of ammunition.

Concealment Garment: Clothing must be worn so that all shooting equipment is not visible with your arms extended to your sides, parallel to the ground.

SAFETY

Unsafe firearm handling including but not limited to all of the below will result in disqualification (DQ) from the match. DQ means you are done shooting for the day, but welcome back to future matches. However, receiving DQ's at multiple matches may result in being banned from future matches.

Cold Range: We run a cold range. Guns must be unloaded unless on the firing line under the direct supervision of a Safety Officer (SO). Arrive with firearms either unloaded and holstered or unloaded and cased.

Safe Area: When not shooting, unloaded firearms may only be handled standing in the designated safe area, with the muzzle of the firearm staying within the designated muzzle safe points. No magazines or ammunition on the table or in your hands when within the safety area.

Trigger Finger Safety: Fingers must be obviously and visibly outside the trigger guard during loading, unloading, drawing, holstering, while moving (unless engaging targets) and during malfunction clearance. Finger violations get one warning with a procedural given. Second offense is a DQ.

Muzzle Safety: The default muzzle safe points are the 180° rule. The 180° plane is an imaginary infinite vertical plane drawn through the centerline of the shooter's body, perpendicular to the centerline of the shooting bay that moves with the shooter as the shooter moves through the stage. A muzzle of a shooter's firearm pointing further up range than a muzzle safe point is a DQ.

Stop: If given the command "Stop", the shooter will stop immediately, place the trigger finger obviously and visibly outside the trigger guard of the firearm, and wait for further instructions from the SO.

NEW SHOOTER Q&A

I'm an IDPA member, but I've never shot at OGC before. Can I shoot?

For sure, glad to have you. Just make sure to use your IDPA membership number when registering for the match. If you have any questions about policies specific to our facility, please contact the match director, Luke Faust, at Faust9057@gmail.com or 763-370-4353.

I have training drawing from the holster; can I shoot?

New IDPA shooters must first attend a new shooter orientation before the match. We can only take up a limited amount of new shooters each match, so make sure to pre-register on practiscore. During the new shooter orientation, all safety rules will be reviewed, and the shooter will be required to demonstrate their ability to safely and confidently handle their firearm. Depending on that testing, the shooter may be (a) allowed to shoot the match, (b) encouraged to participate in the match as an observer and shoot the next match, or (c) encouraged to go seek out further training before returning to participate in a match.

I've never drawn from the holster; can I shoot?

We strongly recommend you get some holster training through Osseo Gun Club or Defensive Mindset before shooting your first match.