

4-Position Rifle Qualification

◆ BB Gun ◆ Smallbore Rifle



Indoors or outdoors, the 4-position qualification course may be used by BB gun shooters and smallbore rifle shooters alike!

These courses of fire are the perfect way for parents to introduce their children to the practices and challenges of rifle shooting.

BB GUN REQUIREMENTS

Guidelines

NRA 5-Meter BB Gun Rules apply.

BB Guns

Only smoothbore, spring-type air guns may be used.

Sights

Telescopic sights are not allowed.

Positions

For the 4-Position Stage Skill Course of fire, there are five positions to choose from for the Pro-Marksman through Sharpshooter ratings. These positions are prone, sitting, kneeling, standing and benchrest. You may use any of the 5 positions for those ratings only.

Ammunition

Lead or steel ball BBs.

Target and Distance Options

- TQ-40 targets may be used at a distance of five meters (approximately 16.5 feet) for Pro-Marksman and Marksman levels only.
- The AR-4 target may be used at all levels.

Awards

- BB Gun Qualification Patch
- Skill Rockers
- Parchment Certificates
- Medals and Medal Bars
- Skill Level Pins



SMALLBORE RIFLE REQUIREMENTS

Guidelines

NRA Smallbore Rifle Rules apply.

Smallbore Rifles

Any safe .22 rimfire or .17 HMR rifle may be used.

Sights

Telescopic sights are not allowed.

Positions

For the 4-Position Stage Skill Course of fire, there are five positions to choose from for the Pro-Marksman through Sharpshooter ratings. These positions are prone, sitting, kneeling, standing and benchrest. You may use any of the 5 positions for those ratings only.

Ammunition

.22 rimfire (short, long, long rifle) or .17 HMR.

Target and Distance Options

Use either A-17 or TQ-1 targets at a distance of 50 feet; or A-23 target at 50 yards.

Awards

- Rifle Qualification Patch
- Skill Rockers
- Parchment Certificates
- Medals and Medal Bars
- Skill Level Pins



See pages 39-41 for complete information on qualification awards. Reference Materials on page 42.



COURSES OF FIRE

4-Position Stage Skill Course

Rating	Position	Shots Per Bullseye	Number of Bullseyes	Minimum Score Per Bullseye Using AR-4, A-17, A-23, TQ-1 or TQ-40 Target
For Pro-Marksman through Expert ratings: 10 bullseyes (set of concentric scoring rings) must be fired for each rating. Each bullseye must contain five shots and the total score for the five shots must meet or exceed the required score. The 10 bullseyes do not have to be fired consecutively or in the same session. (Option: the number of shots per bullseye may be reduced if scoring becomes difficult. Example: three shots on one bullseye and two shots on another.)				
Basic Practical	This rating is achieved by completing the practical exercise conducted during an NRA Basic Rifle Course.			
Pro-Marksman	Any of the 5 pos.	5	10	20
Marksman	Any of the 5 pos.	5	10	25
Marksman 1st Class	Any of the 5 pos.	5	10	30
Sharpshooter	Any of the 5 pos.	5	10	35
While developing position skills (Bars 1 - 9), shooters should NOT concentrate on the development of just one position; they should begin to earn qualifying targets in all positions concurrently. Position bars may be obtained as they are earned without regard to numeric sequence.				
Bar 1	Prone	5	10	40
Bar 2	Sitting	5	10	30
Bar 3	Sitting	5	10	35
Bar 4	Sitting	5	10	40
Bar 5	Kneeling	5	10	30
Bar 6	Kneeling	5	10	35
Bar 7	Kneeling	5	10	40
Bar 8	Standing	5	10	30
Bar 9	Standing	5	10	35
Expert	Standing	5	10	40
For the Distinguished Expert rating: 10 strings, consisting of five bullseyes in each string, are required for each position. Two shots are fired on each bullseye. Each five-bull string must be fired as a complete unit and each bullseye in the string must meet or exceed the required score or the entire string must be refired. You may also attain this rating by achieving 372/400 or better in two NRA sanctioned 4-position competitions. (See Witness Requirements, page 3.)				
Distinguished Expert	Prone	2	10	18
	Sitting	2	10	18
	Kneeling	2	10	16
	Standing	2	10	16

4-Position Aggregate Course - 10 Shots Each Position

Rating	Required Score/Possible Score	Repetitions
Basic Practical	This rating is achieved by completing the practical exercise conducted during an NRA Basic Rifle Course.	
Pro-Marksman	180/400	2 times
Marksman	220/400	2 times
Marksman 1 st Class	272/400	2 times
Sharpshooter	316/400	3 times
Expert	356/400	3 times
Distinguished Expert	then 380/400 four times in an NRA 4-Position postal match or 380/400 or better ten times. (See Witness Requirements, page 3.)	