

Hello Wild Bunch Shooters

To be ready for the 2018 Range War Wild Bunch side match, the following should help in your preparation efforts:

Round Count

Rifle 35-40 or so

Shotgun 24 or so

Pistol 100 minimum

We are planning to shoot 4 stages, some of which will be adaptations of Deuce's main match stages, and at least one “unique” Wild Bunch stage.

We will load pistol magazines with 7 rounds. Three mag changes will be the norm, so a total of 5 magazines is recommended.

Once again, we will offer the Wildcat Category. Any SASS legal Rifle and/or Shotgun can be used. The 1911 may also be any centerfire caliber.

There are rule changes for 2018 and they are summarized here for your information:

WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING RULE CHANGES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2018

(Revised January 15, 2018)

- The Model 12 shotgun does not have to be declared at the firing line. However, it must still be brought to the line with the hammer down on an empty chamber. If the gun is cocked it cannot be racked without pulling the trigger or hitting the slide release. If the shooter cannot rack the shotgun, they will be stopped immediately by the RO and the shotgun checked to see if it is cocked. If so, a SDQ is assessed.

- Pistol magazines may now be loaded with up to 7 rounds. It is recommended that the average round count per stage be 28 in a Wild Bunch match.
- The pistol may be reloaded with the slide forward with an empty chamber or with a round in the chamber. A single round may be loaded by hand.
- The penalty for moving with the slide forward on an empty chamber has been reduced to a MSV. It is still a Stage DQ to move more than one step with the slide forward on a loaded round. The basketball rule still applies.
- The pistol may be re-staged with a loaded magazine in the gun as long as the slide is locked open. If the slide closes, loading a round, it is immediately a Stage DQ.
- In Match Procedures and Terms (2018), all officials are listed indicating those that are optional versus who are required. Note that a loading table officer is now optional, but an unloading table officer is required.
- The TO no longer asks the shooter if they understand the course of fire.
- The TO no longer calls the shooter back for a closed firearm unless they can see that the shooter did not attempt to clear the firearm.
- There are detailed definitions for 'cleared' and for 'squib'.
- There is no longer a penalty for dry firing at the loading table.
- It has been clarified that the safeties that are required to be working on the 1911 are the thumb/hammer and grip safeties.

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Seeya at Range War!!