American Marksman – Local Qualifying Course of Fire Description

The American Marksman local qualifying course of fire is .22 caliber rim fire (rifle or handgun) shot at paper targets (sample below). The course can be shot at either indoor or outdoor facilities. After the general course description, you will see images that are representative of the set-up for each type of facility.

**General Course Description**

**Firearm**: .22 rifle or handgun  
**Ammunition**: .22 LR rim fire (50 total rounds)

**Distance**: handgun is 20’, rifle is 30’   
**Scoring**: Time + penalties, 25 rounds per target sheet (50 total rounds)

**Targets**: Paper- 22” X 35”- 2 sheets per person   
**Start/Stop**: Start on audible horn from timer – End on last shot fired

**Penalties**:
- +0 seconds for all shots completely in center areas of each target
- +2 seconds for all shots in rings/star areas
- +4 seconds for all shots of target but remaining on paper
- +6 seconds for all shots off paper
- +6 seconds for all procedural penalties

**Scoring Note**: Any shot that impacts target sheet across two separate penalty areas will be assessed the lowest (or least punitive) available penalty.

**Starting Position**: Each string will begin from the low ready position. Shooters will stand unsupported. No prone or bench rest positions.

**Structure**:
- String 1: 2 rounds on each circular target image, freestyle (10 rounds total)
- String 2: 1 round on each circular target image, freestyle (5 rounds total)
- String 3: 2 rounds on each circular target image, freestyle (10 rounds total)

**Firearms/Sights**: Firearms and sighting systems must be, or have been, available to the general public in at least a manufactured quantity of 1,000. Traditional iron sights, red dots, variable power optics are allowed. No lasers or projected beams of any kind are allowed at the local qualifying level. Suppressors of any kind are also not allowed.
Indoor Range:

- One target affixed to hanger system at a time.
- All 3 strings are fired on the first target and string times recorded
- Target is brought in and scored – 2nd target is hung and sent out
- All 3 strings are fired on the second target and string times recorded
- Target is brought back in and scored
- Best score of the two target sheets is selected and is recorded into scoring system.

Outdoor Range:

- Both targets are set-up at same time on standard target stands
- 3 strings are fired at each target
- Both targets are then retrieved and scored
- Best score of the two target sheets is selected and is recorded into scoring system.