



NRA Law Enforcement Competitions

Police Pistol Combat Program Bulletin

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Rule	3.1, 3.5 and 3.7
Topic	STI TargetMaster
Sub-Topic	Eligibility
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ISSUE: As produced from the factory is the stock STI TargetMaster pistol eligible for;

- Distinguished Semi-Automatic PPC Matches
- Stock Semi-Automatic Pistol PPC Matches



FINDING: The stock factory model STI TargetMaster:

Is eligible for PPC Distinguished Semi-Automatic Matches

Is NOT eligible for Stock Service Semi-Automatic Matches

APPLICABLE RULES: Rule 3.1 governing all pistols; Rule Section 3.5 covering Distinguished Semi-Automatic Pistols; and Rule Section 3.7 covering Stock Semi-Automatic Pistols of the 2012 Edition of the NRA Police Pistol Combat Rule Book.

3.1 All Firearms: *With respect to Sections 3.2 through 3.9 and in addition to the firearm specific regulations below, the following features are either allowed or prohibited on all handguns used in Police Pistol Combat Tournaments.*

Allowed:

1. Sight blackening.
2. Fixed or adjustable sights.
3. Action work to make a crisper and/or smoother trigger pull.
4. Stocks may be modified or changed because of the size of a competitor's hand or to facilitate loading.

Prohibited:

1. Compensators, barrel venting, barrel porting.
2. Internal modifications that would render the firearm less safe than originally designed by the manufacturer.
3. Any external modifications, except those allowed within each rule.
4. The front sight may not extend beyond the muzzle.

3.5 Distinguished Semi-Automatic Pistol: *Factory manufactured (catalog item) center-fire semi-automatic pistol capable of chambering and firing .35 caliber or larger ammunition, or FN 5.7 x 28 caliber ammunition. Trigger pull must not be less than 3.5 pounds single or double action. All double action semi-automatic pistols must fire the first shot of every stage double action except at the 50 yard line.*

Allowed:

1. Maximum barrel length of 6 inches.
2. Any accessories, parts, and components which are manufactured to duplicate, in materials and dimensions, the original as offered by the manufacturer.
3. Open sights, from any manufacturer, provided such sights do not require alteration of the firearm for installation.
4. Maximum sight radius of 8.5 inches.

5. *Finger groove and slip on grips.*
6. *Extended magazine well funnel.*
7. *Magazine bumper pads.*
8. *Smith & Wesson PPC9 Pistols*

Prohibited:

1. *Adjustable front sights.*
2. *Thumb rest.*
3. *Grips/Stocks that are flared at the base.*
4. *Tape on the grip/stock.*
5. *Any substance that results in a sticky surface to the grip/stock or hand.*
6. *Full-length Bo-Mar type ribs on the slide.*
7. *Weighted grips or grip panels.*
8. *External trigger stops.*

3.7 Stock Service Semi-Automatic Pistol: *Factory manufactured (catalog item), center-fire semi-automatic pistol capable of chambering and firing .35 caliber or larger ammunition, or FN 5.7 x 28 caliber ammunition. All double action semi-automatic pistols must fire the first shot of every stage double action. Trigger pull not less than 3.5 pounds single or double action.*

Allowed:

1. *Maximum barrel length of 5.5 inches.*
2. *Any accessories, parts, and components which are manufactured to duplicate, in materials and dimensions, the original as offered by the manufacturer.*
3. *Replacement of service type sights with other service type sights, luminescent service sights, or fiber optic service sights, provided such sights do not require alteration of the firearm for installation.*
4. *Maximum sight radius of 7.5 inches.*
5. *Finger groove and slip on grips.*
6. *Magazine bumper pad.*
7. *Extended magazine well funnel.*

Prohibited:

1. *Adjustable front sight.*
2. *Thumb rest.*
3. *Grips/stocks that are flared at the base.*
4. *Tape on the grip/stock.*
5. *Any substance that results in a sticky surface to the grip/stock or hand.*
6. *Full-length Bo-mar type ribs on the slide.*
7. *Weighted grips or grip panels.*
8. *Trigger shoes.*
9. *External trigger stops.*
10. *Smith & Wesson Model PPC9 Pistols.*

Rule & Firearm Comparison STI TargetMaster

RULE SECTION 3.4 - DISTINGUISHED SEMI-AUTOMATIC PISTOLS			
In addition to the specifications within Section 3.1, the following specifications apply for Distinguished Semi-Automatic Pistols.		STI RangeMaster	Compliant Yes / No
Factory manufactured (catalog item)		Stock Catalog Item	Yes
Center-Fire Semi-Automatic Pistol		Center Fire Semi-Automatic	Yes
Caliber: .35 caliber or larger ammunition, or FN 5.7 x 28 caliber ammunition		9mm or .45ACP	Yes
Barrel Length Maximum	6 Inches	6 Inches	Yes
Trigger Pull Minimum Single or Double Action	3.5 Pounds	4.5 Pounds	Yes
Sight Radius Maximum	8.5 Inches	Less Than 8.5 Inches	Yes
Open Sights, from any Manufacturer provided such sights do not require alteration of the firearm for installation.		Allowed	Yes
The STI TargetMaster pistol is ONLY available with the Aristocrat Tri-Set Sight. The original stock slide is manufactured from the beginning to accept the Aristocrat sight. This means "no modification" was made to install the sight from its stock specifications.			
Extended Magazine Well Funnel	Allowed	Integral Well	Yes
Adjustable Front Sight	Prohibited	Dovetail Fixed Front Sight	Yes
Full-length Bo-mar type rib on the slide	Prohibited	No	Yes
External Trigger Stops	Prohibited	No	Yes
Thumb Rest	Prohibited	No	Yes
Grip/Stock that is flared at the base	Prohibited	No	Yes

RULE SECTION 3.7 STOCK SEMI-AUTOMATIC PISTOLS			
In addition to the specifications within Section 3.1, the following specifications apply for Stock Semi-Automatic Pistols.		STI TargetMaster	Compliant Yes / No
Factory manufactured (catalog item)		Stock Catalog Item	Yes
Center-fire semi-automatic pistol		Center Fire Semi-Automatic	Yes
Duty Type Sights		Aristocrat Tri-Set Sight	No
Caliber: .35 caliber or larger ammunition, or FN 5.7 x 28 caliber ammunition		9mm or .45ACP	Yes
Barrel Length Maximum	5.5 Inches	6 Inches	No
The other specifications are not listed or reviewed since the pistol exceeds the maximum barrel length limit and does not meet the requirement for Duty Sights (you may review PPC Program Bulletin 10-03 for a review of Duty Sight types).			