

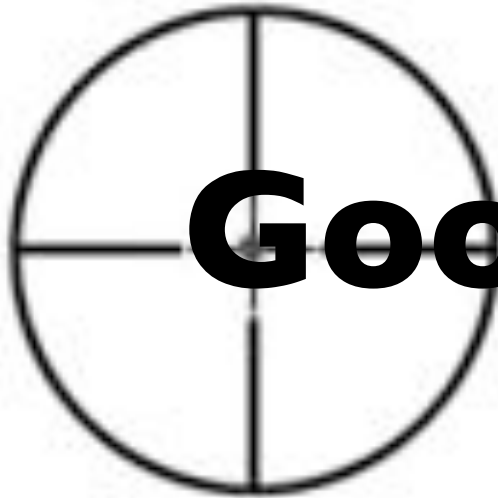
A target icon consisting of a large outer circle, a smaller inner circle, and a central crosshair with four tick marks on each arm.

Basic Shooting Skills

Objectives

- **Importance of good marksmanship**
- **Sight and picture alignmer**
- **Demonstrate master eye**
- **Improve rifle accuracy**
- **Improve shotgun accuracy**
- **Improve handgun accuracy**



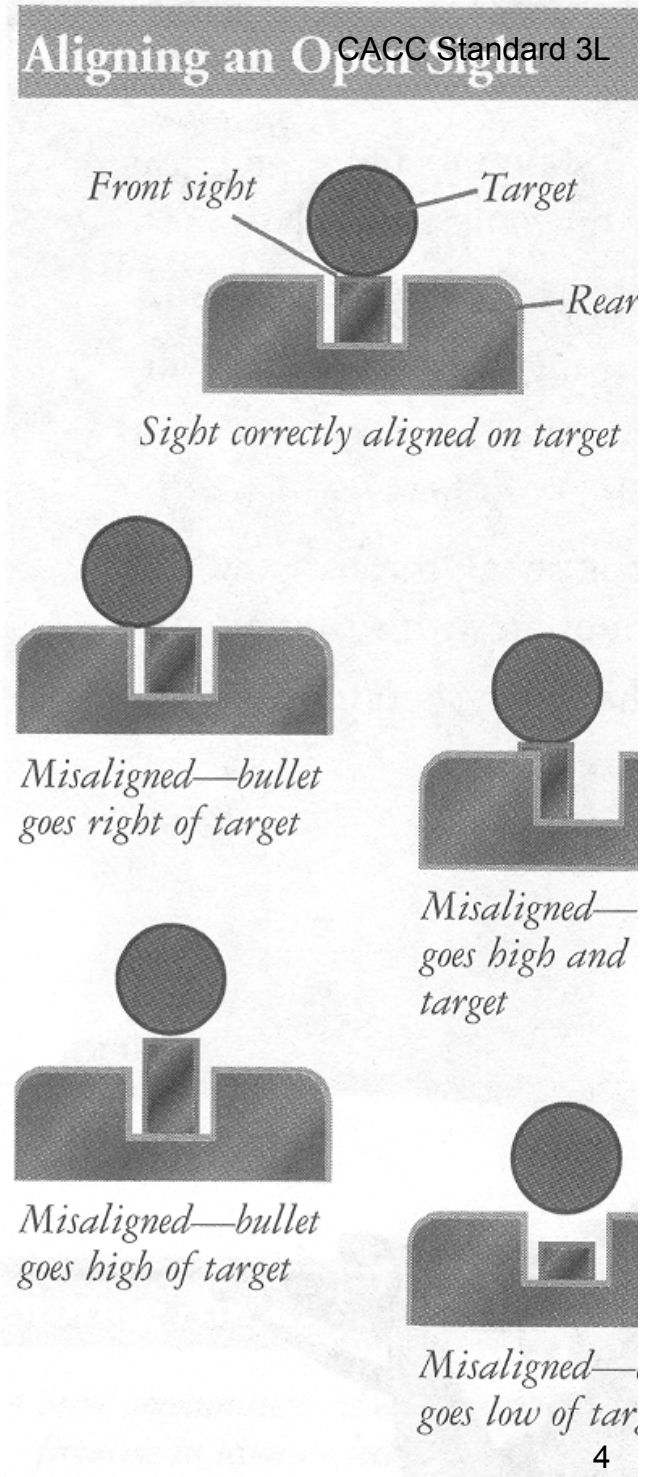


Good Marksmanship

- A fair amount of knowledge, skill, and experience is required to become a successful hunter
- One of the essential skills is good marksmanship, which is accurately and consistently hitting the target.
- Good marksmanship is built on three **fundamentals**

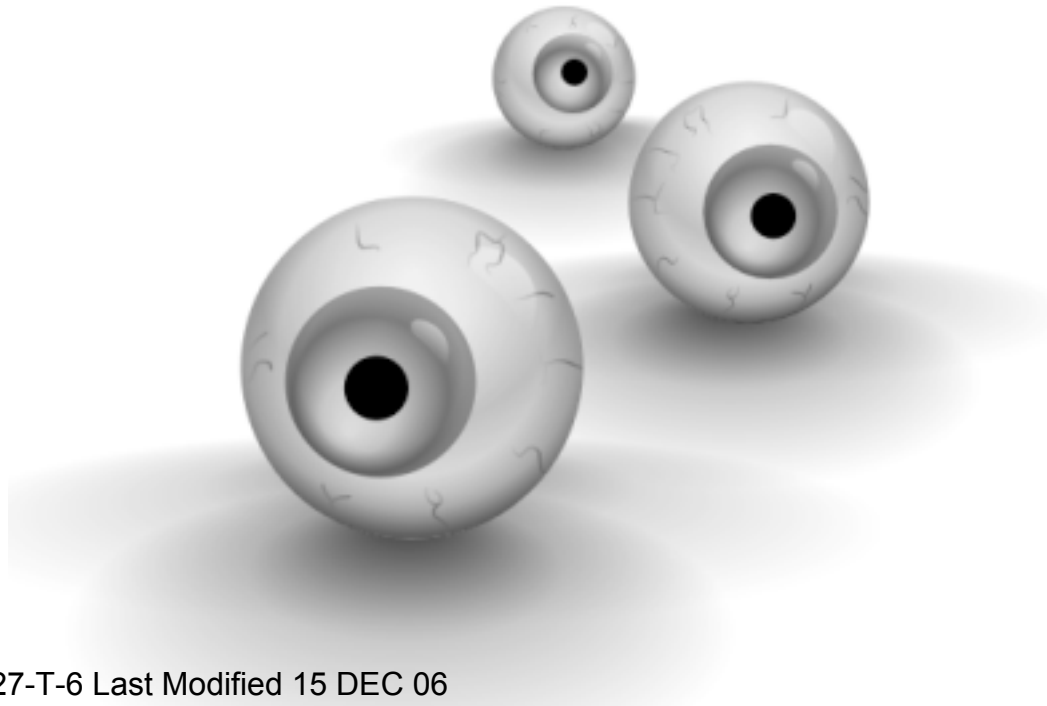
Proper Sight

- sight alignment is the process of lining up rear and front sights.
- The sight picture is the image you see when the sights are aligned correctly with the target.



Dominant Eye

- To ensure that the bullet will travel to the target in your sight, it's necessary to sight-in your rifle, but before you can do that, you need to determine your dominant or “master” eye.



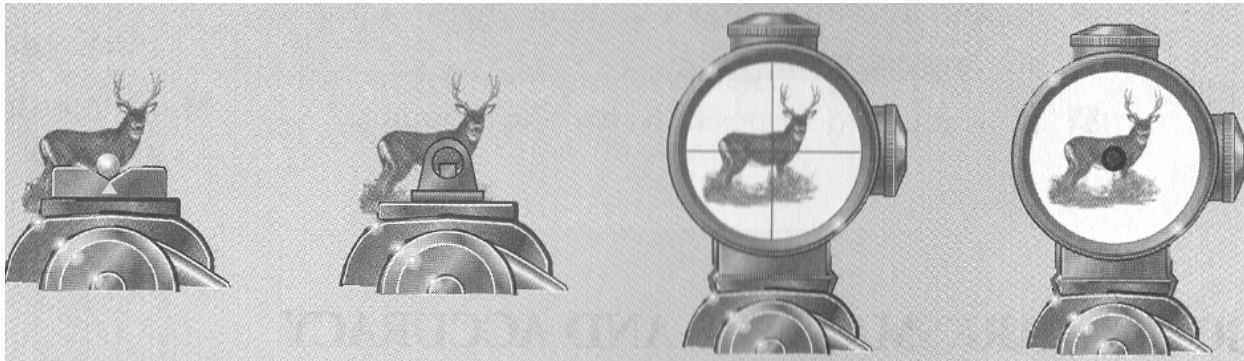
To determine your dominant Eye:

- First Form a triangular opening with your thumbs and forefingers
- stretch your arms out in front of you
- focus on a distant object while looking through the triangular opening
- Bring your hands slowly to your face, keeping sight of the object through the opening; the opening will naturally come to



Improve rifle accuracy

CACC Standard 3L



- Shooting from Rest: This prevents the rifle from moving by resting it on something soft
- Breathing: when you're ready to fire, take a breathe, exhale half and then hold it
- Trigger Squeeze: Apply slow and steady pressure until the gun fires, to prevent jarring
- Follow Through: after the bullet fires, its important to continue the squeeze or follow through. to prevent you from jerking the gun before the bullet has left the barrel



Improve shotgun accuracy

- Shooting stance: Stand with your feet shoulder width and your weight evenly balanced, front foot toes should align with target
- shoulder the shotgun: bring the stock to your cheek then the stock to your shoulder
- trigger action: quick trigger action is important, breath control is not necessary



Improve handgun accuracy

- Assume a stable position: Use a two handed hold whenever possible, grip so that the recoil is directed back to the hand and arm is a straight line
- Sight alignment: Align your sight with the front and back of the sights
- Shooting: the trigger squeeze, breath control, and follow through are almost identical to those in rifle shooting; all handguns should be fired at arms length

