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**History.** This regulation is a minor update to the existing regulation.

**Summary.** This regulation describes the training program of Rifle Marksmanship Qualification to be conducted by brigades, regiments, and units of the California Cadet Corps (CACC).

**Applicability.** This regulation applies to all schools currently maintaining membership in the CACC.

**Proponent and exception authority.** The proponent of this regulation is the Executive Officer, CACC. The proponent has the authority to approve exceptions or waivers to this regulation that are consistent with controlling law and

Regulations. The proponent may delegate this approval authority, in writing, to a field-grade man-day staff officer or State Projects Officer. Activities or units may request a waiver to this regulation by providing full justification that includes a full analysis of the expected benefits. All waiver requests will be endorsed by the senior commandant officer of the requesting activity or unit and forwarded through their higher headquarters to the policy proponent.

**Supplementation.** Supplementation of this regulation and establishment of command and local forms are prohibited without prior approval, in writing, from the Executive Officer, California Cadet Corps. Send a draft copy of each supplement to – Youth Programs, California Cadet Corps, ATTN: Executive Officer, 10620 Mather Blvd., Suite 6, Sacramento, CA 95655

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## **CHAPTER 1**

### **GENERAL**

#### **1-1. PURPOSE.**

This regulation establishes the California Cadet Corps Rifle Marksmanship Qualification Program and Basic Course.

#### **1-2. OBJECTIVE.**

The objectives of the California Cadet Corps Rifle Marksmanship Qualification Program are for each individual cadet to:

- Develop marksmanship ability
- Learn and practice the safe handling of firearms
- Maintain marksmanship proficiency
- Prepare for competitive rifle marksmanship.

#### **1-3. AUTHORITY.**

- a. Section 511 of the California Military and Veterans Code states, “A sufficient number of rifles suitable for drill purposes may be purchased by the board of high school trustees, board of education, board of directors or trustees of a college or community college, county superintendent of schools, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, or the Adjutant General out of any funds available and not otherwise appropriated.”
- b. Section 512 of the California Military and Veterans Code states, “Target practice shall constitute a part of the instruction to be given to cadets. Members of the California Cadet Corps may engage in rifle matches and competitions conducted or held in this state or at any place in the United States. The Adjutant General may purchase and supply to each of the colleges, community colleges and high schools a sufficient number of Springfield or other efficient rifles for field target work and gallery practice and the ammunition and equipment therefore, as in his judgment is necessary for efficient rifle practice. A sufficient number of rifles suitable for field target work or gallery target firing and the ammunition and equipment therefore may be purchased by a board of high school trustees, board of education, board of directors or trustees of a college or community college, county superintendent of schools, or the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, out of any funds available therefore, and the governing body or governing officials of any high school, community college or college may purchase the necessary parts for and may repair any rifles acquired or furnished for the use of members of the California Cadet Corps. All target practice shall be under the supervision of the president, chief administrative officer, director or principal of the college, community college, or high school or such officer or officers as he or they may appoint. Competent members of the National Guard, State Military Reserve or Naval Militia may be detailed by the Adjutant General, with their consent, and upon request of the president, chief administrative officer, director or principal of the college, community college or high school as instructors of target practice in the California Cadet Corps. Such instructors while on duty at said college, community college or high school during target practice shall be under the immediate control and jurisdiction of the governing body of said college, community college or high school. The expenditures therefore may be paid out of the moneys appropriated for the maintenance of the California Cadet Corps.
- c. Section 513 of the California Military and Veterans Code states in part that, “The Adjutant General may detail from the organizations of the National Guard, State Military Reserve, or Naval Militia, competent members thereof who shall perform duties on behalf of the California Cadet Corps as

may be assigned to them or who shall act as training and rifle practice instructors for the California Cadet Corps. The Adjutant General may provide for compensating the persons detailed for duty and service with the California Cadet Corps and the persons detailed to instruct the cadets in drill and target practice.”

- d. Section 514 of the California Military and Veterans Code states in part that, “Whenever practicable members of the California Cadet Corps shall, under the supervision of the commandant of cadets, be permitted to shoot at target practice upon National Guard rifle ranges when not needed by the National Guard.

#### **1-4. GENERAL.**

- a. Cadets must have written permission of their parent or legal guardian on file at the school to engage in marksmanship training each school year. See Appendix A for CACC Form 37.
- b. Cadets must demonstrate proficiency in basic marksmanship practices and positions as well as complete the State of California Hunter Safety Course prior to actual firing.
- c. Each individual cadet in schools authorized marksmanship training will complete the Basic Course or the Familiarization Course each school year. Once a cadet is qualified in the Basic Course, the Familiarization Course may be fired.
- d. Completion of the Familiarization Course will be annotated to the cadet’s service record.
- e. National Rifle Association (NRA) rules for smallbore rifle marksmanship apply for the qualification/familiarization program unless specifically changed by this regulation.
- f. The Cadet Corps Basic Course results (individual scores) may not be used as preliminary rifle match scores for the State Championship Rifle Matches or State Junior Division Smallbore Postal Championships.

**1-5. CADET CORPS BASIC COURSES.** The familiarization course consists of 5 shots in any position (prone, kneeling, or standing) with one minute per shot time limit. Qualification courses are fired as follows:

- a. Senior Division (cadets enrolled in grades 9 and above). –
  - a. The course for smallbore rifle shall consist of 30 shots, 10 each on prone, kneeling, and standing. The course for air rifle shall consist of 30 shots, 10 each on prone, standing, and kneeling, in that order.
  - b. For smallbore rifle courses, ten minutes shall be permitted per position, with three minutes allowed for position and target change between prone and kneeling and three minutes for the position and target change between kneeling and standing. For air rifles, rule 5.3.1 the time requirements for individual events shall be followed (10 minute preparation, 20 minutes for 10 shots prone, 1 five minute changeover period, 20 minutes for 10 shots standing, a five minute changeover period, and 15 minutes for 10 shots kneeling.
  - c. A total of 36 minutes is allotted for the qualification course with a smallbore rifle, and 75 minutes for air rifles.
  - d. Each of the ten shots yields a possible score of 100 points with a grant total possible for all three positions of 300 points.
- b. Junior Division (cadets enrolled in grades 8 and below). – Course shall consist of 40 shots, with a time limit of 40 minutes and a possible score of 400 points. The same course of fire is used for smallbore and air rifles.
- c. Rifles. Only smallbore rifles as defined in NRA Rule 3.2, “Any Rifle” (with metallic sights as defined in NRA Rule 3.7(a) or air rifles as defined in rule 4.2, Sporter Air Rifle, of the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules may be used.
- d. Target. Targets used for smallbore rifles must be the A-36 (Senior Division – smallbore), A-17 (Junior Division – smallbore) or NCAR-10 (Air rifles) must comply with rule 5.4 of the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules. Paper or electronic targets are acceptable.

- e. Range. Ranges for smallbore rifles shall be 50 feet and must comply with NRA, and CAL-OSHA requirements for indoor or outdoor ranges. Ranges for air rifles must be 10 meters and must comply with rule 5.5 of the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules.
- f. Ammunition. Only standard velocity ammunition may be used,

#### **1-6. CIVILIAN MARKSMANSHIP PROGRAM.**

- a. CMP membership. All California Cadet Corps units opting to participate in the marksmanship program shall be affiliated with the Civilian Marksmanship Program. Membership may be a single school, a group of schools, a regiment, or a brigade.
- b. Contact Information. The Civilian Marksmanship Program (formerly the Director of Civilian Marksmanship) can be contacted at P.O. Box 576, Port Clinton, OH 43452. Phone 419-635-2141. Fax 419-635-2573. Email: [competitions@odcmp.com](mailto:competitions@odcmp.com). Website: <http://www.odcmp.com>.
- c. Name of CMP Clubs: California Cadet Corps units shall use the naming convention of “California Cadet Corps – Name of School(s), Regiment, or Brigade” when filling out the CMP Affiliation Application Form,
- d. Type of Club: California Cadet Corps clubs shall be in the “Junior Club” classification.
- e. Limits on Marksmanship Programs: The CMP allows junior marksmanship programs for BB guns, air rifle, air pistol, 50 foot smallbore rifle, smallbore pistol, highpower rifle, metallic silhouette, and clay targets. Nothing in this regulation shall be intended to limit the scope of a CACC CMP team’s programs; however, the only awards presently offered by the CACC are limited to those course of fire described in this regulation (50 foot smallbore rifle and 10 meter air rifle).

**1-7. AWARDS.** CMP qualification awards may be requested directly from CMP. Awards are not authorized for familiarization courses. Currently, the CACC does not have qualification badged. The only marksmanship badges authorized for wear on the CACC uniform are CMP badges with the following minimum score requirements:

- a. Senior Division.
  - a. Minimum score for pro-marksman = 120 (note CMP does not have pro-marksman badges)
  - b. Minimum score for marksman = 150
  - c. Minimum score for sharpshooter = 180
  - d. Minimum score for expert = 210
- b. Junior Division.
  - a. Minimum score for pro-marksman = 220 (note CMP does not have pro-marksman badges)
  - b. Minimum score for marksman = 260
  - c. Minimum score for sharpshooter = 300
  - d. Minimum score for expert = 340