

SUMMARY OF WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING RULE CHANGES 2019

Revised April 2019

SASS Wild Bunch Matches will be shot in 7-round pistol sequences. An average of 28 pistol rounds per stage are recommended. Long guns do not have to be used on every stage. 7-round rifle sequences are normal but not necessary.

The word “**cleared**” when referring to firearms has been changed to “**cycled**” for clarification.

Shooters may move with the 1911 in hand, with the slide forward, as long as there is no live round in the chamber.

Shooters are allowed to move with a long gun with the action closed on an empty chamber or expended case. (It is no longer required to have the hammer down in such cases.)

The 1911 may be restaged with the slide closed as long as there is no live round in the chamber, the action has been cycled and the muzzle is pointed safely downrange. The rifle and shotgun now also have these same rules as the pistol when being restaged.

The 1911 may be re-holstered, if drawn at the wrong time, as long as it has **not** been first charged.

Minor Safety Penalties Deleted for 2019

- Leaving live rounds in magazine or carrier of the long gun in which it was loaded.
- A spent round left in the chamber of a closed long gun, as long as the action has been cleared.
- Open, empty long guns that slip and fall but do not break 170° safety rule or sweep anyone.
- Handing off a malfunctioning firearm.
- When drawing a pistol from its holster, charging the pistol before it is at a 45° angle down range.
- More than seven rounds in a pistol magazine.
- Moving with the slide forward on an empty chamber.
- Re-staging the pistol with the slide forward.
- Handing off a malfunctioning firearm (malfunctioning firearms must still be grounded but there is no penalty if the shooter tries to hand one off.

There is no longer any restriction on which side you can wear magazine pouches. (All rules remain concerning design of magazine pouches and carrying of magazines.)

There is no longer any restriction on bullets being recessed below the case of the mouth.

Ammunition may be safely staged on the firing line at the discretion of the shooter as long as it has been brought to the line in any safe manner.

For clarification the rules now state “Ammunition that does not meet the power factor will be an MDQ for scoring purposes only.

For clarification, a new point has been added stating: “A groove can be cut in the grip (of the 1911) to facilitate the shooter reaching the magazine release, but no material may extend beyond the original profile of the grip. (This applies to both traditional and modern 1911s)

GLOSSARY changes:

Action Cleared - (lever and pump action long guns)...”

CHANGE to read: **Action Cycled** - (long guns) Opening the action far enough to cock the hammer.”

Loaded firearm - Any firearm with unfired round(s) in the action...

CHANGE to read: **“Loaded Firearm** - Any firearm with unfired rounds in the chamber.”

Tactical Reload - DELETE entirely.

Cowboy Port Arms – DELETE entirely