

Attention: Course of Fire Designers

IPSC has made several adjustments as to how Courses of Fire are supposed to be presented (based on the 2026 edition of the IPSC Competition Rule books).

Here are some of the changes being implemented:

1. Instead of using "Rounds to be Scored" (for handgun) and "Minimum Number of Rounds" (for PCC, MR, HPR, and SG), the phrase **"Minimum Number of Rounds Required"** shall be used across all disciplines.
2. No need to indicate the type of course
3. The "Competitor Ready Condition" needs to be indicated across all disciplines. You may either describe the ready condition via text description, or simply putting **"As per Rule 3.2.2, Section 8.2, & Appendix E1/E2"** as these sections describe the default ready conditions in each discipline.
4. Start Position describes the location as to where the competitor is supposed to start **(either on mark or anywhere within the designated area).**
5. For Mini Rifle, Rifle, and PCC, **distances need to be indicated.**
6. The default Firearm Ready Condition for Handgun is "loaded and holstered" and, if that is the case, does not need to be indicated in the stage description.

Presented below are some samples of how to construct your stage descriptions.

MR

STAGE 1

Targets:

2 IPSC Poppers , 6 IPSC Metal Plates & 2 No shoots.

Minimum Number of Rounds Required:

8

Firearm Ready Condition:

Option 1, loaded

Competitor Ready Condition:

As per Rule 3.2.2, Section 8.2, & Appendix E1/E2

Start Position:

Standing anywhere within the designated area.

Time Starts:

Audible signal

Procedure:

On signal, engage targets

SG

STAGE 2

Targets:	2 IPSC Poppers, 6 IPSC Metal Plates, & 2 No shoots
Minimum Number of Rounds Required:	8
Ammunition Type:	Birdshot
Firearm Ready Condition:	Option 1, loaded
Competitor Ready Condition:	As per Rule 3.2.2, Section 8.2, & Appendix E1/E2
Start Position:	Standing on mark
Time Starts:	Audible signal
Procedure:	Upon signal, engage targets.

HANDGUN

STAGE 3

Targets:

7 IPSC Targets, 2 IPSC Poppers, 4 IPSC Metal Plates,
& 3 No shoots

Minimum Number of Rounds Required:

20

Competitor Ready Condition:

As per Rule 3.2.2, Section 8.2, & Appendix E1/E2

Start Position:

Standing anywhere within the designated area

Time Starts:

Audible signal

Procedure:

Upon signal, engage targets.

Note:

IPSC Popper P1 activates moving targets T2 & T3,
both of which remains visible at rest

PCC

STAGE 5

Targets:

4 IPSC Targets, 4 IPSC Poppers, 6 IPSC Metal Plates & 2 No Shoots

Minimum Number of Rounds Required:

18

Firearm Ready Condition:

Option 1, loaded

Competitor Ready Condition:

As per Rule 3.2.2, Section 8.2, & Appendix E1/E2

Start Position:

Standing on mark

Time Starts:

Audible signal

Procedure:

Upon signal, engage targets

STAGE 9 - PCC

Targets:	4 IPSC Targets, 1 IPSC Popper,
Minimum Number of Rounds Required:	9
Firearm Ready Condition:	Option 1, loaded
Competitor Ready Condition:	As per Rule 3.2.2, Section 8.2, & Appendix E1/E2
Start Position:	Standing anywhere within the
Time Starts:	Audible signal
Procedure:	Upon signal, engage targets.

