

APPLICATION TO HOST GSSF OUTDOOR MATCHES

Please review the current Volume 1 of the GLOCK Report for rules and course of fire information. Complete the following application to the best of your ability. Please include any pertinent information you would like to add with your application. Thank you for your interest in the GSSF program.

Host Club Contact Information:

Main Contact	Alternate Contact
Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
Phone:	Phone:
Alt. Phone:	Alt. Phone:
E-Mail:	E-Mail:

NAME OF THE HOST CLUB:

Location of the Host Club:

Detailed directions to the Host Club starting from an easily located point, such as an Interstate Highway Exit Number:

QUESTIONS GSSF ASKS ITSELF WHEN CONSIDERING A NEW "HOST CLUB" APPLICATION.

1. DOES IT APPEAR THAT THE CANDIDATE HOST CLUB COULD DRAW ENOUGH ENTRIES TO CONTINUE IN THE GSSF PROGRAM OVER TIME?
2. IS THERE ALREADY ANOTHER CURRENT GSSF HOST CLUB IN THE SAME GENERAL REGION OF THE CANDIDATE HOST CLUB? (IE, WOULD IT BE ADVISABLE TO ESTABLISH A SECOND GSSF MATCH IN THAT GENERAL REGION KNOWING THAT TO DO SO WOULD EXPEND THE RESOURCES THAT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH A VIABLE GSSF MATCH IN ANOTHER PART OF THE COUNTRY THAT DOES NOT CURRENTLY HAVE ONE OR IS "UNDERREPRESENTED"?)

3. DOES THE POTENTIAL GSSF HOST CLUB HAVE A FACILITY SUITABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCT A GSSF MATCH?
4. DOES THE POTENTIAL GSSF HOST CLUB HAVE THE PERSONNEL NECESSARY TO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCT A GSSF MATCH?
5. DOES THE POTENTIAL GSSF HOST CLUB HAVE THE EQUIPMENT NECESSARY TO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCT A GSSF MATCH OR IF NOT, CAN THE HOST CLUB OBTAIN IT, OR IF NOT IS GSSF IN A POSITION TO SUPPLY IT?

Question #1. DOES IT APPEAR THAT THE CANDIDATE HOST CLUB COULD DRAW ENOUGH ENTRIES TO CONTINUE IN THE GSSF PROGRAM?

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Question #2. IS THERE ALREADY ANOTHER CURRENT GSSF HOST CLUB IN THE SAME GENERAL REGION OF THE CANDIDATE HOST CLUB? (IE, WOULD IT BE ADVISABLE TO ESTABLISH A SECOND GSSF MATCH IN THAT GENERAL REGION KNOWING THAT TO DO SO WOULD EXPEND THE RESOURCES THAT WOULD BE NECESSARY TO ESTABLISH A VIABLE GSSF MATCH IN ANOTHER PART OF THE COUNTRY THAT DOES NOT CURRENTLY HAVE ONE?)

Generally speaking, GSSF wishes to get "the most bang for the buck". GSSF's budget and personnel resources are limited. There are also only so many weekends available to conduct GSSF matches. GSSF therefore seeks to increase average match size from year to year wherever and whenever possible. Here are the entries that GSSF matches have drawn for the past several years.

HISTORICAL SUMMARY OF GLOCK SPORT SHOOTING FOUNDATION MATCHES BY CALENDAR YEAR
CURRENT MATCH LOCATIONS FOR 2007
LISTED BY SIZE OF LATEST MATCH

City/State, (# 5-2-G / # G'M / # Plates setups)	'07	'06	'05	'04	'03	'02	'01	Y2K
Atlanta, Georgia (6/6/3)	539	443	445	516	538	481	538	560
Ft. Benning, Georgia (3/3/2)	333	338	---	---	---	---	369	303
Jackson, New Jersey (3/3/2)	310	265	309	280	250	260	260	262
Anderson, South Carolina (4/3/2)	298	287	395	369	266	296	328	314
Topton, Pennsylvania (2/2/2)	286	314	271	261	293	323	264	271
Orlando, Florida (4/3/2)	279	299	321	240	287	---	---	---
San Antonio, TX (3/3/2)	279	228	240	264	254	236	229	271
Waldorf, Maryland (3/3/2)	273	245	246	268	232	277	301	224
Indianapolis, Indiana (3/3/2)	265	200	274	300	---	362	324	---
Lexington, Kentucky (6/4/3)	265	318	350	399	369	301	323	237
Marietta, Ohio	264	271	254	228	189	---	---	---
St. Paul, Minnesota	256	224	233	235	161	241	210	210
Hallsville, Missouri	256	212	226	229	238	211	236	215
Norco, California	239	209	188	227	206	254	254	---
Pensacola, Florida	225	195	---	---	---	---	---	---
Richmond, California	215	215	214	249	210	228	254	187
Bremerton, WA	214	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Piru, California	206	201	221	153	161	154	205	204

Albany, Oregon	204	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Greeley, Colorado	200	195	243	225	180	181	162	187
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	177	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Las Vegas, Nevada	170	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Brighton, Michigan	167	196	166	---	---	---	---	---
Lubbock, Texas	167	141	173	---	---	---	---	---
Mingus, Texas	163	147	---	---	---	---	---	---
Roseburg, Oregon	157	151	199	186	190	236	193	181
Ft. Smith, Arkansas	157	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Salt Lake City, Utah	151	141	140	174	174	116	113	---
Westhampton, LI, New York	143	158	146	207	204	238	223	208
Tucson, Arizona	137	135	---	---	---	---	---	---
Missoula, Montana	121	82	---	---	---	---	---	---
Thibodaux, Louisiana	84	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
Shelton, Washington	---	215	201	224	203	223	173	182
Jacksonville, Florida	---	---	392	315	434	381	357	315
Statesville, North Carolina	---	---	343	364	331	303	318	311
Richmond, Virginia	---	---	274	318	330	310	332	302
Mesa, Arizona	---	---	202	214	132	167	240	234
Boulder City, Nevada	---	---	196	179	---	---	---	---
Fulton, New York	---	---	133	168	141	201	202	194
Morrisville, Vermont	---	---	77	---	---	---	---	---
Shreveport, Louisiana	---	---	---	174	201	205	---	---
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho	---	---	---	166	194	185	150	139
Carrollton, Texas	---	---	---	347	374	327	334	349
Nashua, New Hampshire	---	---	---	219	229	228	---	---
Ft. Wayne, Indiana	---	---	---	---	215	---	---	---
Harvard, Massachusetts	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	254
Pala, California, January, 2000 and November, 2000	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	193 183

Generally speaking, GSSF seeks matches that can sustain a minimum of about 215 or more entries AND can increase in size from year to year. If you closely examine the above figures, you may notice that generally speaking the larger matches are east of the Mississippi river in the east or west of the Sierra and Cascade mountains in the west. Generally speaking, the populated areas in the region between those points are so far apart that they generally do not draw enough entries to sustain a continuing GSSF match from year to year.

Considering the above please give us your thoughts as to how many competitors you expect to draw and any ideas you may have to get them to attend a GSSF match at your host club:

Questions #3, #4, and #5 are interrelated.

Question #3; DOES THE POTENTIAL GSSF HOST CLUB HAVE A FACILITY SUITABLE TO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCT A GSSF MATCH?

Question #4; DOES THE POTENTIAL GSSF HOST CLUB HAVE THE PERSONNEL NECESSARY TO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCT A GSSF MATCH?

Question #5; DOES THE POTENTIAL GSSF HOST CLUB HAVE THE EQUIPMENT NECESSARY TO SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCT A GSSF MATCH OR IF NOT, CAN THE HOST CLUB OBTAIN IT OR IS GSSF IN A POSITION TO SUPPLY IT?

STAGE SETUP REQUIREMENTS

An "entry" at a GSSF match consists of the aggregate score from three stages; "Five to GLOCK", "GLOCK 'M", and "GLOCK the Plates". There are several different versions of "Five to GLOCK" and "GLOCK 'M" for variety from match to match.

Range equipment needed for a "Five to GLOCK" is 5 target stands capable of holding an 18" x 30" NRA D-1 cardboard target so its bottom edge is about 4 to 5 feet from the ground. Targets are placed at different distances ranging from 15' to 75' from the shooting position.

Normal range equipment needed for a "GLOCK 'M" consists of four of the same target stands for NRA D-1 targets and three reactive steel targets, usually USPSA "Pepper Poppers" or equivalent. Targets are placed between about 21' to 60'. Steel targets are placed from 33' to 60'.

Range equipment needed for a "GLOCK the Plates" setup consists of a "Bianchi" Plate Rack or the smaller version generally called a "Speed Rack".

Brand new GSSF host clubs often do not have all of the recommended equipment, especially the Plate Racks. They understandably do not wish to make the financial equipment to purchase such equipment when they do not know if they are going to wish to continue in the GSSF program after the first year or two that they participate.

There are alternatives to cover such cases. First, there are "all paper" options of both "GLOCK 'M" and "GLOCK the Plates".

The paper option of the "GLOCK 'M" substitutes one additional cardboard target for the three reactive steel targets. For those host clubs that have a small amount of steel, another option for the "GLOCK 'M" is that a single piece of steel can be used in place of three by using what are called "wind rule scoring".

Five additional paper target stands can substitute for a plate rack when the paper option of "GLOCK the Plates" is used. However, when using the paper option for the "Plates" you lose the remote reset capability of the rack and therefore you need two, or possibly three, complete "Paper Plates" stage setups to substitute for one actual plate rack with the additional target stands, personnel, and range facility that that entails.

For locations within a one day drive of GSSF Headquarters outside of Atlanta, Georgia, GSSF can often supply the steel targets necessary to fully equip four "GLOCK the Plates" stage setups and three "GLOCK the Plates" setups.

This area generally includes all of Florida to the south and the general area south and east of the Mississippi and Ohio rivers and as far north as the Washington, DC area.

By the third year of its participation in the GSSF program any GSSF host club outside of that area is expected, and host clubs inside that area are requested, to obtain their own steel targets sufficient to equip its annual GSSF matches. New host clubs can sometimes arrange for GSSF to finance their acquisition of such equipment which is subsequently set against the per-match entry compensation GSSF normally pays to the host club.

We have found that at the best GSSF matches our individual members are able to arrive, shoot their match entries, and leave in no more than about three hours. If it takes longer the member generally has a negative experience and is not likely to return to that host club's match the next year it is held.

To accomplish this generally requires the host club to erect, man, and run MULTIPLE, identical stage "setups" of the three basic match stages.

A GSSF match usually runs from between 9AM to about 4 to 5PM each of the two weekend days that it is held. A period of about 7 hours.

Also generally speaking, about 60% to 70% of GSSF entries are shot on Saturday and the remaining 30% to 40% on Sunday.

The rule of thumb is that a single stage setup of "Five to GLOCK" or "GLOCK 'M" can conduct one "entry" about every 6 minutes, or about 10 per hour. Therefore, a GSSF match setup that consisted of only one of each of the three stage setups could only cycle about 70 entries per day, or 140 entries for the entire two-day match.

Matches that generally draw less than 200 entries from one year to another are generally discontinued after having been given several chances to increase in size.

Therefore, for a minimum, sustainable, average sized GSSF match of from 200 to about 250 match entries, the potential host club should plan to erect and man a minimum of two each of "Five to GLOCK" and "GLOCK 'M" and one "GLOCK the Plates" (hereinafter referred to as a 2/2/1 stage setup). The number of stage setups set up and run at the latest of some of the larger GSSF matches are listed above for review.

For matches from 250 to 300 entries the host club should plan for a 3/3/1 or 3/3/2 setup. For matches from 300 to 400 entries the host club should plan for a 4/4/2 or better setup.

Again, since 60-70% of entries are encountered on Saturday, the above setup numbers can often be reduced by about 1/3rd for Sunday. That is, a match that runs 3/3/2 setups on Saturday could often be reduced to 2/2/1 on Sunday.

MANPOWER REQUIREMENTS

It is ALWAYS better to erect more setups than "needed" as the quicker all the GSSF member participants can be cycled through the match, the better they like it and the more likely it will be that they will both return and next time, bring friends and family to participate as well. It also reduces the workload on the Range Officers. It is POSSIBLE to run a large match with few setups. For example, notice that the Topton, PA match has run in the high-200 low-300 entry range with only 2/2/2 setups. It has done so only by working the available Range Officer staff EXTREMELY hard. Overworked Range Officers are less likely to participate the next time. Many hands make for light work.

The "rule of thumb" is that you need three Range Officers to man each stage setup. Add about another 25% for relief's, etc. Therefore, for a 2/2/1 setup you would need about 15 Range Officers during "peak" hours plus about 4

relievers for a total of about 19 or 20 ROs. A 3/3/2 setup should have about $(8 \times 3) = 24 + (25\% \text{ of } 24) = 6$ = 's about 30 ROs, and so forth.

Most Range Officers do not need any special training or certification. Most RO duties consist of scoring and administrating the shooting order and can be done by most people with reasonable intelligence.

For those ROs who actually supervise shooters, those individuals who have training and/or experience in Range Officering at other pistol shooting competitions such as IDPA or USPSA matches, are preferable.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

“What does the Host club get from GLOCK for hosting a GSSF match?”

Each new host club negotiates its own compensation arrangement with GLOCK Professional. A typical per-entry fee to the host club is usually set at \$4. However, the first 200 entries are paid to the host club in the form of two award certificates for GLOCK firearms rather than cash. Entries in excess of 200 are paid by GSSF to the host club at the \$4 per entry rate. If the match exceeds 300 entries, the Host Club may take an additional firearms certificate in lieu of the additional cash.

Many host clubs raffle these certificates off to the GSSF members attending the match. The Internet price for such certificates is about \$400 if the club elects to sell one or both certificates outright. Other clubs will organize a raffle for one or both certificates during the match itself, usually selling either 100 tickets at \$5 each or 50 certificates at \$10 each. Either way grossing \$500 per certificate or \$1,000 for both. Other well-financed host clubs who host a GSSF match more to support the shooting sports in general rather than for reasons of profit sometimes just donate the certificate(s) to be raffled off amongst those of their club members who staff the match.

As previously mentioned, some new host clubs wish to acquire steel targets such as plate racks and Pepper Poppers that can not only be used by the host club for the GSSF match, but for other club activities during the rest of the year. In such cases GSSF can often arrange for the purchase of the targets, the cost of which is then set against the resulting match entries at \$4 per entry.

What do the Range Officers get for working a GSSF match?

Each RO gets a hat and an RO shirt. If an RO gets a shirt on Saturday and again ROs on Sunday and we still have shirts left in his or her size, that RO may get a second shirt for working the second day. The RO also gets his or her choice of several GLOCK products. In most cases, one such item for each day worked to a maximum of two. Such items include magazines for GLOCK firearms, GLOCK Field knives, “Team GLOCK” shirts, backpacks, “gun rugs”, a one-year membership in GSSF, or a no-charge entry to the GSSF match itself. Of course, the ROs are also free to shoot the match itself and are therefore eligible for the match awards.

Your comments regarding the above with respect to your host club: