



**12th Annual American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program
Department Championship Tournament
Sponsored By: The American Legion of Iowa
March 18, 2017**

The American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program encourages marksmanship and gun safety education for junior high and high school age youth. As part of the program, The American Legion of Iowa will conduct an Air Rifle Championship Tournament, which provides competitors an opportunity to test their marksmanship ability in competition with other shooters throughout Iowa. The 2016-2018 National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules will govern the Match.

ELIGIBILITY

Shooters must be in a club that is affiliated with an American Legion Post in Iowa. If shooter is NOT an Iowa resident, a non-compete statement will be required. Clarification: A shooter that is a member of an Iowa American Legion Shooting Team, cannot compete in another state under The American Legion JSSP. For all other competitions, see Rule No.3.2.6 of the 2016 – 2018 National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules.

Posts wishing to sponsor a new shooting club for this competition must have the **official affiliation** by December 31, 2016. Coaches and adult leaders are encouraged to send their best shooters in accordance with the rules and abilities.

The Department Match will be a Best-Four-Count Team (five shooters, 4 top scores count) as outlined under Rule 3.2.2, in the 2016-2018 National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules. Coaches and adult leaders are encouraged to register their best shooters. Additional shooters will be accepted up to range capacity. If range capacity is exceeded, teams will be asked to limit on a pro-rated basis.

Coaches are responsible for ensuring his/her shooters are knowledgeable of the rules and standards of The American Legion of Iowa JSSP Championship Tournament.

LOCATION: Iowa National Guard Armory (S-29) – Camp Dodge
7105 NW 70th St.
Johnston, Iowa

EVERYONE – PASSENGER OR DRIVER OF A VEHICLE - ENTERING CAMP DODGE, A MILITARY INSTALLATION, WILL BE REQUIRED TO SHOW VALID IDENTIFICATION WHEN ENTERING THROUGH THE MAIN (SOUTH) GATE.

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

Twelve (12) firing points with 12 box target traps (provided by Department) and backdrop. Targets will be provided to each shooter with their name and competition number at check-in.

All equipment required for firing will be the responsibility of the shooter/team.

Shooters/teams will bring their own rifles, CO2 and compressed air cartridges/tanks, kneeling rolls, mats, stands, spotting scopes, pellets, safety gear, and any other authorized equipment to complete the Match.

All competitors' clothing items must meet inspection standards for the class of rifle.

FOOD

A concession stand will be in operation at the facility and proceeds shall go to the host organization. All shooting competitors will receive a lunch ticket. Host will be reimbursed for staff and competitor meals at a rate of \$5/meal.

ENTRIES

Registration and Medical forms (for all shooters) are due to Department by March 1, 2017. E-mail (programs@ialegion.org) or faxed (515-282-7583) forms are acceptable. If mailed, forms will be sent to: The American Legion of Iowa, ATTN: JSSP Match, 720 Lyon St., Des Moines, Iowa 50309. **Forms that are incomplete or missing information will be returned and not accepted until complete!**

CLASSIFICATION

For purposes of awards, shooters will be divided into three categories, based on age **on their birthday in 2017.** All shooters must be enrolled in a club that is affiliated with an Iowa Legion Post and must sign a non-compete statement.

Age Group 1: Competitors who reach their 17th or 18th birthday in the calendar year of the competition or who are older than 18 and still meet the eligibility criteria for School Age competitors.

Age Group 2: Competitors who reach their 15th or 16th birthday in the calendar year of the competition.

Age Group 3: Competitors who have reached their 12th birthday in the calendar year of the competition, but will not reach their 15th birthday.

COURSE OF FIRE (Sporter)

3 x 20 Match: 20 shots each in prone; standing; and kneeling.

RULES

The 2016-2018 National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules will govern the match.

Trigger pull weights (1.5 lbs.) will be tested and all equipment and clothing will be inspected at check-in. A 'safety shooting can' will be provided. Safety glasses are recommended. Once inspected and cleared, each rifle will display the inspection sticker of the Match. The equipment/rifle **WILL NOT** leave the holding area until ready to fire and then only when proceeding directly to the firing line.

Target card #1 in each stage of fire must be posted on the left side of the target box. All sighters will be fired on the left target card during each stage of fire.

RELAY START-TIMES

All shooters are required to report not later than 1 hour prior to start time of their assigned relay! Relay assignment requests should be submitted when registering by the March 1, deadline. Unless otherwise requested, all shooters from the same team will shoot in the same relay. The JSSP Committee will assign relays as soon as practicable.

Relay #1 9 a.m. Relay #2 12 p.m.
Relay #3 3 p.m. (If Required)

SCORING AND CHALLENGES

The American Legion of Iowa utilizes the Orion (computerized) Scoring System, scanner, and targets at the Department Match. Once targets are scored and results are posted, shooters will have a 15-minute challenge period (time to begin by announcement from Chief Range Officer or his designee). If challenged, the SHOOTER will pay a \$1 fee, and the target will be re-evaluated based on the original scanned image. Manual scoring - to include plugging - WILL NOT be utilized.

NOTE: The Orion Scoring system uses the latest in scoring technology. Coaches/managers/trainers should be aware that the Orion scanner will produce a clear picture of each shot (without excessive tearing) **if** the pellet is expelled through a **clean and properly maintained rifle bore**. Equipment inspectors will conduct a visual inspection of the bore and advise the shooter or coach accordingly.

AWARDS

First Place Team Sporter Trophy - The top combined score of **four** shooters from ONE sponsored shooting club.

First Place Trophy in Age Category 1 - Top score in three positions

First Place Trophy in Age Category 2 - Top score in three positions

First Place Trophy in Age Category 3 - Top score in three positions

Team Sponsorship Plaques - To the Legion Post that sponsors Team Trophy Winner

Second and Third Place Medals in each Age Category

SCHOLARSHIPS

First Place Sporter \$1,000 Scholarship (Department of Iowa Foundation Rules Apply).

Second Place Sporter \$500 Scholarship (Department of Iowa Foundation Rules Apply).

Third Place Sporter: \$250 Scholarship (Department of Iowa Foundation Rules Apply).



**THE AMERICAN LEGION OF IOWA
JUNIOR SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAM
2017 DEPARTMENT CHAMPIONSHIP
COMPLETE BY MARCH 1, 2017, AND SEND TO:**

**The American Legion of Iowa
720 Lyon St. - Des Moines, Iowa 50309
Office: 515-282-5068 or 1-800-365-8387**

Fax: 515-282-7583 E-Mail: programs@ialegion.org

CONSENT TO MEDICAL TREATMENT & HOSPITAL SERVICES

This will certify that we (I), the undersigned parent(s) or guardian(s) of _____ do, in the event that our (my) son/daughter becomes a participating member of The American Legion of Iowa Junior Shooting Sports Program Department Championship Tournament, to be held in Des Moines, Iowa on March 17, 2017, hereby consent and grant permission, should the necessity of medical care arise, to the furnishing of medical treatment and hospital services as ordered or recommended by a qualified attending physician, including the administration of an anesthetic, laboratory procedures, medical or surgical treatment, x-ray examination, or other hospital services.

WAIVER OF CLAIM

This will further certify that we (I), the undersigned, in consideration of the benefits to be derived by our (my) son/daughter in the event that he/she is a member of an American Legion of Iowa affiliated shooting team in the Junior Shooting Sports Program Department Championship Tournament in Des Moines, Iowa on March 18, 2017, do hereby release and discharge The American Legion of Iowa, its officers, agents, instructors, and employees from any and all claims, demands, damages, suits, actions or causes of action which we (I) may, can or shall have by reason of any illness, injury or accident incurred or suffered by said son/daughter while traveling to, attendance at or participation in the above named tournament, from the time of his/her departure home until his/her return thereto.

MEDIA

In accordance with The American Legion of Iowa's Americanism Commission policy, adopted October 18, 2015, all participants in American Legion of Iowa programs are subject to publication for promotional purposes of the program in all print, televised, radio, and social media outlets including Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.

INSURANCE INFORMATION

Name of parent(s) group medical insurance carrier _____
Policy or certificate no. _____ Parent to whom policy is issued _____
Employer to whom policy is issued _____ Dated this _____ day of _____, 2017

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Printed name of Parent or Guardian

Telephone Number and E-Mail Address

Shooting Club Affiliation

THIS FORM REQUIRED FOR EACH SHOOTER!

**The American Legion of Iowa
Junior Shooting Sports Program
Department Championship Tournament - March 18, 2017
(Air Rifle)**

**(Must be postmarked by March 1, 2017)
THIS FORM MUST BE FILLED OUT LEGIBLY AND COMPLETELY!**

Name of Club/Team _____
(Must be an affiliated team of The American Legion of Iowa Junior Shooting Sports Program by December 31, 2016)

Attention _____
(Name of primary point of contact/coach/manager)

Address _____ E-Mail _____

City _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Number of Contestants Entered From This Club _____
(Each Affiliated Club in Iowa may send *five shooters per team; Shooters may participate on only one team*)

Shooting Club Coach/Manager

HOUSING ARRANGEMENTS: Shooters and coaches should plan to arrive at Camp Dodge by 6 p.m. on Friday, March 17, 2017. Barracks will be made available to all shooters and parents/coaches. Social activities are being planned for the evening.

OUR TEAM WILL HAVE _____ MALES _____ FEMALES _____ WHO WILL BE STAYING ON CAMP DODGE!

Point of Contact Telephone Numbers

Work and/or Cell Phone _____ Home _____

E-mail address: _____

Sponsoring American Legion Post Officer Signature _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Mail this form to: The American Legion of Iowa
 Attn: Junior Shooting Sports Program
 720 Lyon St.
 Des Moines, Iowa 50309

----- Do not write below this line -----
Date Received _____ Number of Contestants _____ Relay Assigned _____

THIS FORM REQUIRED FOR EACH TEAM!

CODE OF CONDUCT

1. I represent a school/club shooting activity, which has supported my interest in competitive shooting. I will conduct myself during this tournament so as to bring only credit to myself and to my school/club.
2. I understand that the Tournament Staff is responsible for the health, safety, and the proper conduct of the competitors in their charge. I accept their leadership.
3. I will operate a motor vehicle only with the permission of my adult leader and/or tournament officials.
4. I will keep my adult leader/chaperone informed of my whereabouts at all times while traveling to and from the tournament and while at the tournament.
5. I understand that competitors in this tournament will not consume alcoholic beverages while traveling to, participating in, or returning home from this tournament.
6. I understand the legal prohibition and severe punishment associated with the possession, distribution, and use of controlled substances. I will not involve myself with such substances at any time during this tournament.
7. I understand that the tournament staff and The American Legion of Iowa, are not responsible for loss, breakage, or theft of my personal belongings. I will safeguard my personal property and valuables.
8. I will be respectful of other competitors, tournament officials, and other people I might encounter while competing in this tournament.
9. I understand that a violation of this Code of Conduct may result in my being ejected from further competition.
10. **I understand that should I conduct myself in an unsportsmanlike manner, that would bring discredit to The American Legion of Iowa Junior Shooting Sports Program and or Department Championship Tournament, I may be removed from further competition.**

Date _____ Signature of Competitor _____ Age in 2017 _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____ Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____

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