ASSA Distinguished Competitor Program (DCP)

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ASSA is pleased to announce our Distinguished Competitor Program to recognize members who exhibit outstanding top-tier performances at regional and national level events.

Members who satisfy the program criteria will be formally recognized by ASSA and receive a certificate and special award worthy of public display for their achievement.

This program will be retro-active to include all ASSA regional & national championships since July 2017.

As more organizations, clubs and Match Directors conduct ASSA sanctioned regional matches, the number of opportunities to secure DCP points - and the actual number awarded annually - increases! It is in each competitor's best interest to promote sanctioning of ASSA regional competitions and attendance of ASSA events by their fellow smallbore shooters.

The ASSA Distinguished Competitor Program criteria is as follows:

- 1. This program is open to ASSA members in good standing, including ASSA staff and leadership. To earn the Distinguished award, competitors must be a member of ASSA in good standing for at least one (1) year prior to receipt of the final DCP point.
- 2. A total of four (4) DCP points are required to achieve "distinguished" status for each DCP event (smallbore conventional prone, 3-position and F-SBR). Points cannot be combined from multiple disciplines to achieve distinguished status.
- 3. Competitors can be single, double or triple distinguished upon securing the minimum number of DCP points for each event.
- 4. Points are awarded to the top 10% of competitors at each prone or 3-position event and top 20% of competitors for F-SBR at ASSA sanctioned regional competitions and the ASSA National Smallbore Rifle Championships.
- 5. A minimum of ten (10) competitors must be present for DCP points to be awarded at a regional prone or 3-position competition. A minimum of five (5) competitors must be present for F-SBR events.
- 6. A competitor can win a maximum of two (2) DCP points per year. In the event that a competitor is eligible for more than two (2) points in one (1) calendar year, highest priority will be for a point obtained at the ASSA National Smallbore Rifle Championships.
- 7. The quantity of DCP points awarded at an event will be per the following tables. Note that there are separate tables for prone/3-P and F-SBR.

MINIMUM # of Competitors (Prone / 3-Position)	TOTAL Distinguished Points Awarded for the match
10	1
17	2
20	2
27	3
30	3
37	4

40	4
47	5
50	5
57	6

Sequence continues for additional quantities of 7 & 10 competitors above the listed values.

MINIMUM # of Competitors (F-SBR)	TOTAL Distinguished Points Awarded for the match
5	1
10	2
15	2
20	3
25	3
30	4
35	4
40	5
45+	One additional point for every 5 competitors

- 8. **Points are NOT "passed down"** to any lower finishing competitors if the top 10% of the competitors (20% for F-SBR) already have DCP status. **No exceptions.**
- 9. Points are recognized by ASSA upon receipt of the official match results from the Match Director. In the event that the Match Director does not provide the results, a competitor can submit a request (along w/ the match results) to ASSA for consideration to obtain the missing DCP point.
- 10. A minimum of one (1) point out of the four (4) required must be obtained by finishing in the top 10% of competitors for the prone / 3-position phase of the ASSA National Smallbore Rifle Championships.
- 11. A minimum of one (1) point of the four (4) required must be obtained by finishing in the top 20% of competitors for the F-SBR phase of the ASSA National Smallbore Rifle Championships.
- 12. In the event of any conflicts or challenges, the ASSA leadership will review and provide the final decisions associated with the ASSA DCP.
- 13. The ASSA has the right to modify and/or cancel the DCP at any time.