

## Intro to USPSA Event Sunday October 12th 1:00PM

Due to popular demand, we bring you another introduction into the world of shooting sports. Last month we held an Intro to Steel Challenge event on the professional range which was a huge hit. We had all ages & skill levels participate and everyone left wanting more. Next up, we bring you an intro to United States Practical Shooting Association (USPSA). You'll learn what to expect at a USPSA match in a safe and fun environment run by certified instructors. During the safety briefing we'll go over the rules, demonstrate the proper way to approach the firing line, make your firearm ready (make ready) and properly clear your firearm (show clear). The event is open to all members & 1 guest, the fee to participate is \$10 and you can expect to shoot 2-3 stages (depending on the number of shooters). **Please read the attached rules and equipment list** as we will be following USPSA protocol to prepare you for a future USPSA match. All experience levels are welcome and encouraged to join us. **Please reply to this email, [srgcmemberships@gmail.com](mailto:srgcmemberships@gmail.com), to pre-register.** This will speed up the registration process on the day of the event. Don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions. We're looking forward to seeing you there!

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## **USPSA Gear List**

Ear Protection (Electronic if possible)

Eye Protection

Holster on belt (for stepping onto/off the stage)

Magazines – 3 magazines or 3 speed loaders for revolvers

Standard ammunition (About 100 rounds)

One handgun or revolver per shooter

Caliber type options: .380, 9mm, 40, 45, 38

\*.22 will be allowed for this event but is not a USPSA Division option

\*\* Parking will be on the professional range\*\*

## **USPSA Rules**

USPSA matches adhere to a “cold” range rule, meaning firearms are handled only in the designated safe areas under the direct supervision of a Range Officer (RO). This includes the parking lot, where handling firearms is prohibited. Specifically, firearms must remain unloaded and either holstered or in a case/bag when not under the RO’s direct instruction.

Below is a more detailed breakdown:

### **Cold Range:**

No handling of firearms, except in designated safe areas or under RO supervision.

### **Safe Areas:**

These are the only locations where firearms can be taken out of cases/bags, holsters, or worked on.

### **Loading:**

Magazines or moonclips can be loaded anywhere except near the safe area, but ammunition is never handled in the safe area.

### **Transport:**

Unloaded pistols are transported in a bag/case to the safe table to be cleared by the RO and holstered.

### **Unloading:**

Before leaving the firing line, firearms must be unloaded, inspected by the RO, and then holstered.

### **“Hammer Down” Procedure:**

After unloading and inspection, the RO may direct a “hammer down”) or equivalent safety check for striker-fired or manual safety firearms) procedure, ensuring the firearm is unloaded by firing it with an empty chamber, or other equivalent safe method.

### **Violation:**

Violations of these rules, such as handling a loaded firearm outside a safe area or during an inappropriate time, can result in disqualification (DQ).