



ESC CHALLENGE 300M RIFLE 3 POSITIONS TRIO (Men/Women)

Description of the format and the competition rules

1. FORMAT

a) General

300m Rifle 3 Positions Trio is a format for competitions between teams. Each Team must consist of three (3) athletes from the same nation and the same gender who should wear the competition clothing with national colors and identification as per applicable Rules. In a championship, in each competition, nations may enter a maximum of one (1) team.

A minimum of four (4) teams must participate in event.

Each of the three (3) athletes entered in the competition must be registered by the set deadline but may be changed for other athletes registered in the Championship by latest 12:00 the day before the start of the Competition.

b) Number of stages

The competition consists of two stages:

- Qualification
- Final

c) Qualification

The Team events establish rankings based on the total scores fired by three (3) athletes entered in the individual event.

The scores of each Team member will be added together and the Team results will be ranked.

The four (4) top-ranked teams will progress to the Medal Matches. The two (2) top-ranked teams will progress to the Gold Medal Match (GMM) and the third and fourth ranked teams will progress to the Bronze Medal Match (BMM).

d) Medal Matches

Medal Matches take place in the designated part of 300m range. Teams will be positioned next to each other with spare firing point between each team if possible. The Bronze Medal Match will be shot first, at the assigned time, followed by the Gold Medal Match. One team will compete against the other team. They start from zero and make single shots. The coach of team in Medal Match must decide and inform RTS Jury after Qualification which athlete will shoot in which position.

Athletes in Team ranked third after Qualification should take positions on firing points in order standing, kneeling and prone. The Team ranked fourth after Qualification should take positions on firing points in order prone, kneeling and standing.

Athletes in Team ranked first after Qualification should take positions on firing points in order standing, kneeling and prone. The Team ranked second after Qualification should take positions on firing points in order prone, kneeling and standing.

Full ring scoring with inner 10 will be used in all Medal Matches..

The score of each shot is determined by the combined result of the three members of the team. Points are awarded according to the total team score.

The first team to score sixteen (16) points or more will be declared the winner of the Match. In case of a tie where both teams have scored sixteen (16) points the Match will continue with one (1) additional shot fired by all members of each team to decide the tie. If the scores are still tied the teams will continue to shoot additional shots on command until the tie is broken.

2. COMPETITION RULES

a) Targets and Ranges

A 300m range must be used. Qualification take place in the Qualification range. Medal Matches take place in the designated area of Qualification range. Electronic Scoring Targets must be used.

b) Scoring at the Qualification range.

Full ring (integer) scoring. All scores are not carried forward to the next level.

c) Scores and rankings

The scores and rankings of the teams are based on the total scores of their three (3) members.

d) Tied scores

Ties will be broken by applying ISSF Rule 6.15.5.

e) Malfunctions

Malfunctions will be governed according to ISSF Rules. One malfunction per each member.

2.1 QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE

The Team events established rankings are based on the total scores fired by three athletes entered in the individual event.

The scores of each Team member will be added together and the Team results will be ranked.

2.2 MEDAL MATCHES PROCEDURE

After athletes have been called to the line, they will be allowed five (5) minutes preparation and sighting time. Each round will be fired on command of the CRO, with all athletes firing a single shot in a time limit of fifty (50) seconds. The procedure for conducting all Matches is the same with appropriate wording used by the CRO in each case.

a) Reporting Time

All twelve (12) athletes who qualify for the Final must report to the Designated Range Preparation Area, with all necessary equipment, at least thirty (30) minutes before the Start Time of the Bronze Medal Match. Each Team may be accompanied by one Coach. A two (2) points penalty will be deducted from the score of the first competition shot if one or more Team members do not report on time but reports at least twenty (20) minutes before start of BMM.

If one or more Team members do not report twenty (20) minutes before start of BMM, Team will not be allowed to start and will lose medal match as DNS.

b) Allocation of firing positions

BMM: The Team ranked third (3rd) should take positions on designated firing points in order standing, kneeling and prone. Team ranked fourth (4th) on firing points in order prone, kneeling and standing.

GMM: The Team ranked first (1st) should take positions on designated firing points in order standing, kneeling and prone. The Team ranked second (2nd) on firing points in order prone, kneeling and standing.

1 st	1 st	1 st		2 nd	2 nd	2 nd		3 rd	3 rd	3 rd		4 th	4 th	4 th
standing	kneeling	prone		prone	kneeling	standing		standing	kneeling	prone		prone	kneeling	standing

c) Equipment set-up

The four (4) Teams must be allowed to place their equipment on their allocated firing points at least twenty (20) minutes before the scheduled Start time. Coaches may assist their athletes. All must return to the preparation area not later than fifteen (15) minutes before the Start time.

No bags or transport boxes may be left on the Field of Play. Athletes in GMM can leave their rifles in preparation area, but must set all other equipment.

Teams for BMM must be ready to walk in eight (8) minutes before the Start time. An assistant must make sure that athletes are assembled in the correct order and must indicate to the CRO that they are ready.

Teams for the Medal Matches will enter the FOP one at a time. As each Team enters the FOP the Announcer will introduce them to the spectators. Athletes must stand in front of their designated firing points, facing the audience, and remain in that position until all have been presented, including the Jury Member in Charge, and the Chief Range Officer. Teams for the GMM will remain in the Preparation area.

d) Scoring for the Medal Matches

Full ring scoring with inner 10 will be used in all Medal Matches. The score of each shot is determined by the combined result of the three members of the Team. Athletes will fire single shots on command in fifty (50) seconds.

Points are awarded according to the total team score, as follow:

Highest total: 2 points
 Tied scores: 1 point
 Lowest total: 0 point

e) Commands of the CRO

“Range is Ready for Medal Match”

When all introductions have been made: **“Take your positions”**.

After one (1) minute for athletes to take their positions:

“Five (5) minutes preparation and sighting time, Start”.

After 4 minutes 30 seconds: **“Thirty (30) seconds”**.

After 5 minutes: **“Stop”**.

After 30 seconds to allow the targets to be reset for Match:

“For the first (1st) competition shot, LOAD” (five (5) seconds pause) **“START”**.

After fifty (50) seconds, or when all six (6) athletes have fired a single shot. **“STOP.”**

f) Announcer

An Announcer should make brief comments on the points awarded to each Team and the current ranking as the match progresses. The CRO will repeat the commands to **“LOAD”** and **STOP”** until all athletes have fired a single competition shot.

g) Sequence in the Final

After the end of the BMM, and after those athletes have left the range athletes, coaches have put the rifles for GMM on FP, athletes for GMM will walk in in the same manner as for BMM. The winning Team will be declared the Gold Medalists and the runners-up will be declared the Silver Medalists

h) Time-out

A Coach or athlete may request a “Time-out” by raising a hand whilst the announcements are being made after the completion of a series. This may be requested once only during the Medal Match. The Coach may approach and speak to his athlete(s) on the firing-line for a maximum time of one (1) minute. If a “Time-out” is requested by one Team, a Coach of the other Team may also approach and speak to his athlete(s) at the same time. This does not affect the opportunity of the other Team to request their own “Time-out”. The time will be controlled by the Jury and CRO.

i) Presentation of Medalists

The Gold and Silver Medalists will be joined on the Field of Play by the Bronze medalists and line up, for official photographs and announcements.

j) National identification, Dress-code

The athletes from each nation are recommended to wear shooting clothes of same design and color decisions. They must display their national identification on their shooting clothing as follows: The name or flag of the country designated by 3 letters as determined by the IOC on their rifle pocket.

k) Malfunctions in Medal Matches

Malfunctions in Medal Matches will be governed according to ISSF Rules (only one (1) malfunction will be allowed for each Team member during the Medal Matches). Athletes may be allowed one (1) minute to repair or replace a malfunctioning firearm to permit the Medal Matches to continue without unnecessary delay.

l) Penalties

All penalties will be applied according to ISSF rules.

m) Music & Spectator Activity

During the Qualification stages and the Medal Matches, music is allowed. Enthusiastic audience support is encouraged and is recommended during the Medal Matches.

n) Irregular or disputed matters

Will be decided by the Jury according to ISSF Rules.