



# SASS®

**Single Action Shooting Society**  
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January 1, 2017

SASS Club Representative,

Thank you for your club's interest in the 2018 SASS State Blackpowder Shootout Program.

Please take the time to read and understand these documents. Please submit the signed and completed State Blackpowder Shootout Application and Agreement to the SASS Office at the above address, attention "SASS Clubs". The Application must be accompanied by your most current proof of insurance to be considered.

These documents should be returned to the SASS office by **June 1, 2017**. Clubs will be notified as to the status of their application. If there is more than one application per state, the clubs will be notified, and the Territorial Governors from the state will decide the location of that State Action Shooting Championship.

If you have any questions, please contact the SASS Office above or e-mail [roxy@sassnet.com](mailto:roxy@sassnet.com).

Thank You

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## **2018 SASS® STATE BLACKPOWDER SHOOTOUT APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT**

### **SASS commits to fulfill its State Blackpowder Shootout sanction support by providing the following:**

- Endorsement of the match as a SASS Sanctioned State Championship.
- SASS Blackpowder Shootout “Winner Pins” for all category winners.
- Space for a post-event article in *The Cowboy Chronicle*. (Article preparation and submittal is the responsibility of the host club.)
- State Blackpowder Shootout select exposure on the SASS Web Site and a listing in *The Cowboy Chronicle*.

### **Club Agrees to the Following:**

- Conduct match in accordance with “**SASS STATE BLACKPOWDER SHOOTOUT GUIDLINES.**”
  - Provide single card recognition as “**SASS® Presents**” before “**MATCH TITLE**” and “**THE SASS \_\_\_\_\_ (State) STATE BLACKPOWDER SHOOTOUT**” after “**MATCH TITLE**” in all advertising, printed materials, event program cover, shooters program, and awards presentation.
- Print the “**SASS SANCTIONED MARSHAL**” logo in every instance the “**MATCH TITLE**” is used as outlined in the previous paragraph.
- Provide display space for **SASS** banners.
- Event Program advertising: One black and white full page on inside front cover, dedicated to SASS.
- 10' x 10' **SASS** vendor display space in choice position on Sutlers' Row.
- Two passes to the event, Hospitality Tent, and all social functions.
- Two shooter entries and two preferred parking passes.
- Club agrees to send SASS a \$5.00 per **paid** registered shooter sanctioning fee. (Sanctioning Fee Submission Form Attached)

### **Minimum Club and Organizer Requirements:**

- Club must be SASS affiliated with current proof of insurance.
- Club must invite the participation of all clubs in their state.
- Club must require SASS membership for all participants and provide final list of registered shooters to the SASS office for verification of membership. **SASS will not send its sponsorship items until the shooters list is received by the SASS Office.**

### **Facility Requirements:**

- Shooting facility must accommodate 150 or more shooters.
- Facility must provide a written safety plan for both participants and spectators.
- Shooting facility must accommodate merchandise vendors.
- Shooting facility must safely accommodate the public.

### **The Match Event:**

- Minimum of 6 main stages, computerized scoring system, and **must use Total Time scoring in the main match.**
- Scoring must be by category and not overall.
- Club must conduct the match in accordance SASS Shooters Handbook and the SASS Basic Range Operations Safety Course.
- All Range Officers must have completed the SASS Basic Range Operations Safety Course.
- No money or prizes may be given for place of finish in the main match, side matches, pot shoots, or demonstration matches. All prizes must be distributed randomly.
- Hold a SASS Costume Contest utilizing the SASS Costume Contest Management and Administration Handbook.
- Hold a SASS Scholarship Foundation Fundraiser of the Club's choosing.

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## Match Reporting-Mandatory Match Reports:

Once your match is over, it is important everyone understand how successful, fun, and memorable your match was! To ensure your match is presented in the best light possible, here are a few things you can do that will help make the task easier:

- Make sure someone is assigned BEFORE the match to write the match report.
- Make sure plenty of good quality photos are taken at the event.
- Submit the match report text in Word (800-1500 words). Please don't supply a list of stage scenarios.
- Select less than a dozen good photos (not "thumbnails") and develop captions for the pictures. Captions are one or two sentences that tell us something besides the obvious about the picture.
- Select a couple dozen (at most) photos that best represent the match and submit those for a collage. (Please DO NOT submit 400 photos and ask the editors to choose!)
- Submit all of the above to *The Cowboy Chronicle* for publication directly to the Editor-in-Chief, Skinny (Leonard Clark) at: editor@sassnet.com or via the SASS Office at: sass@sassnet.com no later than 60 days after your event.
- **Failure to submit a match report may result in revocation of your sanctioning status in the future.**

## Sale of Score Enhancing Items:

- SASS Blackpowder Shootouts may not sell or otherwise incorporate any score enhancing items such as "Free Misses" or "Do-overs."

## Determining the SASS State Blackpowder Shootout Winner:

SASS State Blackpowder Winners are recognized in each category. The highest-ranking person in each category, regardless of their state, will be the category winner.

No "overall winner" of the match is to be recognized. Categories are not equal and competitors in different category do not necessarily have to shoot stages in the same order, so everyone is not necessarily shooting the same match. (For example, Gunfighters may be allowed to shoot their revolvers "back to back" where others are required to shoot revolver-rifle-revolver. Plainsmen may be allowed to shoot the match, but engage fewer rifle targets than a Traditional competitor).

## Level I Certification:

It is required all State Blackpowder Shootout Range Officers have completed the SASS Range Operations Safety Course within the last 3-5 years.

## Minimum Size Targets at Maximum Distance:

These are the minimum standards only. Designers are encouraged to use larger targets for the distances indicated when at all possible for main stage scenarios. Measurements of targets do not include appendages, and must offer continuous steel for compliance.

- **Revolver target** distance is 7 to 10 yards and minimum target size is 16" x 16"
- **Shotgun target** distance is 8 to 16 yards and minimum target size is 16" x 16"
- **Rifle target** distance is 13 to 50 yards and minimum target size is 16" x 16"

## SASS Shooting Categories:

SASS State Blackpowder Shootouts are required to offer a variety of shooting categories. Categories are divided into two main divisions, **Frontier Cartridge** and **Frontiersman** (Cap and Ball). Each division can offer Wrangler, Cowboy, Duelist, Gunfighter, Cowgirl, Lady Wrangler, Lady Duelist, Lady Gunfighter, Seniors, Elder Statesman, Lady Senior, Grande Dame, Young Guns, Buckaroo, Classic Cowboy, Classic Cowgirl, and Plainsman.

In the interest of ensuring and promoting a true competitive environment at this level of SASS shooting competition with the sport of Cowboy Action Shooting™, it is highly encouraged all categories have a minimum of 3 registered shooters in ladies categories and a minimum of 7 registered shooters in open categories. There is no mandated limit on Junior, Buckaroo/Buckarettte, as well as Elder Statesman/Grand Dame, and +.

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### **Recommendations:**

Please refer and adhere to the SASS Match Administration and Stage Design documents on the SASS Website for guidance regarding appropriate match and stage design.

It is recognized an “all blackpowder” match incorporating all the categories in the SASS Shooters Handbook “bends” the stated rules regarding propellants. All firearms must use blackpowder or SASS acceptable substitutes that generate smoke at least equivalent to 1 CC of blackpowder.

### **Trademarks:**

The club understands SASS®, Single Action Shooting Society®, END of TRAIL®, EOT®, The Cowboy Chronicle™, COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING™, Wild Bunch, Wild Bunch Action Shooting, bow-legged cowboy design, and the rocking horse design are all trademarks of The Single Action Shooting Society®, Inc. The Single Action Shooting Society grants permission for the use of all SASS trademarks, registered, and copyright materials for use in the presentation of your SASS State Blackpowder Shootout. It is understood this permission to use all SASS trademarks, registered, and copyright materials is for the presentation of your SASS State Blackpowder Shootout, for a period of one year, beginning six-months prior and ending six-months following your event. This permission will not transfer to any other projects without express written permission of SASS.

### **Sanctioning Fees:**

SASS® Sanctioned State Championships pay a \$5 per paid shooter sanctioning fee. This fee should not be presented as a separate line item as a "SASS fee"- rather, this fee should be incorporated into your shooter fee pricing.

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**State:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SASS Affiliated Club:** \_\_\_\_\_

**State Blackpowder Shootout Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Championship:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please attach a copy of your current Insurance Policy – Application without proof of Insurance cannot be accepted**

**Club Contact Alias:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SASS#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Territorial Governor Alias:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SASS#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Match Director/Match Contact Person:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Alias:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SASS#:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Terms of Agreement:**

This agreement is for calendar year **2018** only.

**If you agree to and accept the terms of this document, please fill out and sign in the designated areas below and return to the SASS Office at the address on this letterhead.**

**Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Acknowledgement of Receipt (Office Use Only)**

**SASS Representative:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Please note revisions made to this contract as of July 13, 2017. Revisions have been highlighted in yellow.*

# SANCTIONING FEE SUBMISSION FORM

Please submit this form along with payment within 15 days after your SASS sanctioned Championship event to the address below.

The incorporation of a \$5 per **paid** shooter sanctioning fee helps to cover some of the administrative costs incurred by the sanctioning parent organization (SASS).

This fee should not be presented as a separate line item as a "SASS fee"- rather, this fee should be incorporated into your shooter fee pricing.

Name of SASS Affiliated Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Championship: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Championship: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Paid Shooters: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Submitted: \_\_\_\_\_ \$

Alias: \_\_\_\_\_ SASS #: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for your continued support of Cowboy Action Shooting.

**Please Submit Completed Form To:**

Single Action Shooting Society  
215 Cowboy Way  
Edgewood, NM 87015  
Attention: SASS Clubs

Thank you,

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