



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 Sanctioned Wild Bunch Championship Program.

The SASS Office will forward a copy of your application to the Wild Bunch Committee if they have not already received it. In addition to the application requirements there are certain criteria in regard to being awarded the SASS/WBAS State Championship match that are included in the Guidelines. Please take the time to read and understand these documents. Complete and sign the State Championship Application and Agreement and return them to the SASS Office by **June 1, 2017**. Please mail to the attention of "SASS Clubs" at the above address.

Once your club has communicated to your area Ambassador that it can conduct a SASS/WBAS State Championship match under the requirements listed in the Guidelines, your application will be forwarded to the Wild Bunch Committee for approval and then to the SASS office with a positive recommendation.

The fulfillment of these requirements, and your clubs *consideration* of the recommendations will help ensure SASS/WBAS state level matches are conducted with the consistency and continuity which will be appreciated by all Wild Bunch Action Shooting participants across the country, as well as internationally.

Please feel free to contact your area Ambassador with any questions you may have. They have a good deal of experience in assisting with the organization, stage writing and the operation of Regional, National and World Championship SASS/WBAS events.

Thank you,

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2018 SASS® STATE WILD BUNCH CHAMPIONSHIP APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT

SASS commits to fulfill its State Wild Bunch Shooting Championship sanction support by providing the following:

- Endorsement of the match as a SASS Sanctioned State Championship.
- A suitable Award/Trophy for the Men and Lady Winners (4).
- Space for a post-event article in *The Cowboy Chronicle*. (Article preparation and submittal is the responsibility of the host club.)
- State Wild Bunch Championship 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 WILD BUNCH CHAMPIONSHIP GUIDLINES.**”
- Provide single card recognition as “**SASS® Presents**” before “**MATCH TITLE**” and “**THE SASS** _____ **(State)** **STATE WILD BUNCH ACTION SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIP**” 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 **100** 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:

- The match will be conducted as a standalone match. It may be held in conjunction with a CAS match for purposes of convenience (i.e. scheduling, maximizing attendance, logistics and facility availability).
- State level WBAS matches must be conducted under all current SASS/WBAS rules. No exceptions to firearms requirements specified in the rules will be made.
- Minimum of 10 main stages, computerized scoring system, and all SASS Wild Bunch shooting categories.
- Scoring must be accomplished by Stage Points.
- Club must conduct the match in accordance with the current **SASS Wild Bunch Action Shooting Handbook and the Wild Bunch Action Shooting Range Operations and Match Directors Guide.**
- All competitors will expect to have their Pistol and Rifle ammunition tested over a chronograph during the match to ensure compliance with the ammunition requirements.
- 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 State Wild Bunch Championships may not sell or otherwise incorporate any score enhancing items such as "Free Misses" or "Do-overs."

Determining the SASS State Wild Bunch Shooting Champions:

SASS State Wild Bunch Winners are recognized in each category and shall reside in the state of the event. The highest-ranking person in each category, regardless of their state, should also be recognized as the Match Category Winner. Both the Overall Man and Lady match winners will be recognized. "Residence," if in doubt, will be determined by a current valid driver's license. Active Military "residence" will be determined by where they are currently stationed.

Minimum Size Targets at Maximum Distance:

These are the minimum standards for Wild Bunch Matches. The use of more difficult targets such as plate racks, dueling trees, hostage targets, etc. is both common and encouraged. The higher power factor ammunition makes these targets react easily and many Wild Bunch shooters appreciate a higher skill level. It is important to remember, however, that Wild Bunch Action Shooting is an Action Shooting sport that promotes speed, movement, and accuracy. It is not a bullseye competition. Wild Bunch match directors should keep targets and sequences appropriate for all skill levels. Smaller or more distant, difficult targets placed strategically in the match is fine, but this concept should not dominate the design.

1911 Pistol target distance is 7 to 10 yards.

Shotgun target distance is 8 to 16 yards.

Rifle target distance is 13 to 50 yards.

SASS Shooting Categories:

SASS State Wild Bunch Matches are required to offer only a few shooting categories. Categories are divided into two main divisions **Traditional** and **Modern**. Each division should offer a Men's and Ladies Category. **Additional age based categories may be added to the Traditional and Modern category headings if the demand warrants. Guidelines for division by age are: At least 10 shooters must be registered for the category to be recognized. There must be at least 10 shooters remaining in the "parent" category, (MM, MT, LM, LT).**

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Recommendations:

We recommend that at least the top 5 shooters in each category be recognized (certificates are certainly suitable particularly for larger matches). We recommend that you attempt to keep posse size in the range of 15 to 18 shooters. We recommend that you have as many posse marshals as possible be certified WBAS Range Officers.

We recommend that your match director not only be knowledgeable with regard to WBAS rules, but he or she also be familiar with the inherent differences between WBAS and CAS (specifically in the area of stage design). We recommend that your club consider having a WBAS Orientation training day for interested shooters. (This promotes safety and understanding of the rules and will assist your club in creating a successful State Championship Match).

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 Wild Bunch Shooting Championship. It is understood this permission to use all SASS trademarks, registered, and copyright materials is for the presentation of your SASS State Wild Bunch Shooting Championship, 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.

**2018 SASS® STATE WILD BUNCH CHAMPIONSHIP
APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT**

State: _____

SASS Affiliated Club: _____

State Championship Title: _____

Date of Match: _____

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: _____

Wild Bunch Ambassador _____ Approval 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
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Attention: SASS Clubs

Thank you,

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