

## **Competition Regulations for SNIPER EXTREME 2023**

**for**

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Tactical Shooting Competition Sniper Extreme with elements of TC3 and Survival is a charitable event aimed at raising funds for the medical treatment and rehabilitation of a seriously ill soldier's son. The competition is organized by the ALLIED with GROM Foundation with the support of veteran soldiers, law enforcement officers, and affiliated civilian shooters, whose participation is purely voluntary.

**The competition will take place on December 1st and 2nd, 2023, at the Central Air Force Training Range in Ustka**

A maximum of 50 two-person teams are expected to participate

Registrations and entry fees will be processed through the registration form on the website [www.sniperextreme.org.pl](http://www.sniperextreme.org.pl) and the Portal Strzelecki. All proceeds from the competition will be donated to Mariusz's sub-account (minus insurance)

### **1. SAFETY REGULATIONS**

Competitors are obliged to strictly adhere to the provisions of the regulations and the applicable safety rules of the shooting range, as well as the entire polygon facility, during the entire competition period.

1.1. Firearms must remain unloaded throughout the competition, except for situations under direct supervisory control of the officiating staff on the shooting tracks after the command "load."

1.2. In the safety zone, competitors must keep their firearms unloaded. All manipulative actions (except on the shooting track) can only be carried out in the safety zone.

1.3. Carrying Rifles and Pistols.

1.3.1. If rifles/carbines are not being carried in suitable holsters/backpacks, their muzzles must be pointed downward towards the ground - sand (an exception is artificial ground, such as concrete or asphalt, where the muzzle should be pointed upward).

1.3.2. Pistols may only be carried unloaded and in holsters.

1.4. Storing Firearms.

1.4.1. During the competition, depending on the specific firing task, a change in the type of firearm may be required. Each owned firearm must be securely stored. In the case of using a long firearm, the short firearm must be placed in a holster. Stored firearms must not be located further than arm's reach (an exception is when directed by the judge), with the barrel's muzzle pointed safely towards the ground or the target area.

1.4.2. If a pistol does not have an external safety, but it has a hammer decocking device, it must be used without fail.

1.4.3. When switching to a short firearm, long firearms/rifles must have external safeties in the SAFE position.

1.5. Instructions given by the technical support team and judges must be executed safely, promptly, and without dispute; otherwise, the team will be disqualified and removed from the competition. The safety of competitors, support staff, and individuals present in the polygon area is a top priority.

## **2. COMMANDS AND PROCEDURES IN THE SHOOTING AREAS**

2.1. The course begins with the command: "Attention" (i.e., prepare yourself), regardless of the number of firearms specified for the track; competitors are required to have all individual equipment with them, except for tasks described in the station's description.

2.1.1. The station judge, along with assistant judges, directly supervises all actions of the competitor related to loading and preparing all types of firearms and storing them in holsters/backpacks in the designated safety zone. Performing actions without instructions from responsible personnel is strictly prohibited.

2.1.2. After familiarizing themselves with the description of the track, competitors will be asked, "Are you ready?" - Competitors prepare for the task or inform that they are not ready. The preparation time is up to 5 minutes from the time of reading the track description. After 5 minutes, the judge gives the "Start" command. Competitors must safely perform the task if they are unsure about the correct understanding of the task; they should inform the judge before the start command. After the "Start" command, the time for task execution will not be stopped until the time specified in the description.

2.1.3. The lack of a negative response from the competitor after the command "Are you ready?" means that the competitor fully understood the track requirements and is ready to start. If the competitor is not ready, they should declare "No" or "Not ready." Competitors take the starting position when they are ready to begin the course to indicate their readiness to the judge.

2.1.4. "Stop": Any Judge assigned to oversee the tracks may issue a "Stop" command during the course. In such a case, the competitor must immediately cease shooting, stop, secure the firearm absolutely, and wait for further instructions.

2.1.5. After completing the track, upon the command "Stop!" competitors unload their firearms and present them for inspection. If competitors have finished shooting, they must place their firearms with the barrel pointing towards the main bullet trap, with an empty tube magazine, a detached magazine, an empty chamber, and the bolt in the rear position for inspection by the Judge. The Judge will accompany and instruct the competitor during the unloading of the firearm.

2.1.6. Competitors assume the starting position as described in the written description of the track. In the absence of such a description, it will be indicated by the judge. The condition of loading the firearm is specified in the track description. In case of absence, inform the judge and provide the appropriate command.

2.2. Tactical Loop.

2.2.1. During the competition, competitors will face a series of tasks related to terrain navigation, survival elements, covert movement, camouflage, and TCCC topics, which they must approach with full concentration.

2.2.2. Track descriptions will be detailed and unambiguous. General rules are included in the further sections of the regulations.

2.2.3. The track description will specify the form of its solution, the starting and ending points.

### **3. SCORING**

3.1. Scoring is presented in the form of a cumulative point total. The team with the highest number of points wins.

3.2. Each task, whether related to establishing communication, reaching a point, shooting targets, etc., has its own clear and unambiguous scoring. The number of points depends on the task's difficulty or significance.

3.3. The number of points is provided in the track/task description.

3.4. In the event of a team being detected during movement, they will incur a time penalty.

### **4. DISQUALIFICATION**

4.1. Disqualification means the inability to continue the competition.

4.2. Violations of safety rules are not subject to an appeal procedure.

4.3. Disqualification applies to competitors who, through their actions, pose a danger to their own lives or the lives of individuals present in the polygon area, on the shooting range/polygon, such as walking with a loaded firearm, aiming at people or objects, etc.

4.4. A competitor will be disqualified for unsportsmanlike behavior, which includes, but is not limited to:

4.4.1. Altering or falsifying scorecards.

4.4.2. After disqualification, competitors (teams) are not entitled to a refund of the entry fee.

### **5. FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION**

The following ammunition is designated for use in all shooting competitions during the SE23 competition:

5.1. Each team is entitled to possess two pieces of short firearms, such as a pistol or revolver, with a caliber ranging from 0.22 LR to 45 ACP, and they may include approved mounts and sights.

5.2. Possession of two support rifles/assault rifles per Team is allowed, with a caliber ranging from 223/5.56 mm to 7.62 mm, with acceptable calibers being 6.5 Creedmoor and 308 WIN. Mounting of approved optical sights, lighting, and collimators is permitted.

5.3. The minimum number of precision rifles that a Team must possess is one, with a caliber ranging from 223/5.56 mm to 12.7 mm, and the ability to mount sights and lighting.

5.4. The minimum amount of pistol/revolver ammunition that a Team must

possess is 160 rounds.

5.5. The minimum amount of ammunition for support/assault rifles that a Team must possess is 400 rounds.

5.6. The minimum amount of ammunition for precision rifles that a Team must possess is 120 rounds.

**Please bring additional ammunition for shooting practice/zeroing of firearms (checking settings) on the first day of the competition.**

## **6. HOLSTERS AND EQUIPMENT**

Restrictions on the equipment carried by the competitor:

- Prohibition on the use of additional monopods, tripods, "pillows" (a bag with sand, also known as a "sand sock" is allowed).

Competitors must be prepared for over 30 hours of autonomous operation, performing combat, reconnaissance, medical, and survival tasks characteristic of sniper teams in hostile terrain.

6.1. Short firearms must be carried unloaded in a holster without exception.

6.2. As per point 1.1, all firearms are unloaded during the competition, except on the stations where competitors perform specific supervised firing tasks. Failure to comply with this regulation results in immediate disqualification of the competitor.

6.3. All equipment must be always within reach during the competition. This applies to both shooting tracks and the tactical loop. An exception is a clear order from the Judge and technical support.

## **7. APPEALS**

7.1. In the first instance, decisions will be made by the station judge.

7.2. If a competitor disagrees with the decision of the station judge, the head judge listens to both sides and makes the final, unappealable decision.

7.3. Any discussions during firing on the firing line will be considered unsportsmanlike behavior and will result in disqualification.

7.4. The final interpretation of the Regulations rests with the Organizer. In case of disputes, the Organizer's decision is final.

7.5. Lack of knowledge of the Regulations does not exempt a participant from complying with them.

7.6. Protests can be submitted in written form from the moment of preliminary results announcement (posting) for 30 minutes in the TOC SE23 to the Head Judge. After considering any protests, the results become final.

## **8 TACTICAL LOOP "WITHOUT PROCEDURES YOU WILL NOT SURVIVE"**

8.1 The loop will consist of a loop route with communication points and main points (task to be performed) and intermediate points, the completion of which will depend on the decision of the participants (appropriate tactics).

8.2 Teams will be given a realistic time frame to complete the loop, so called "time gates" (being in the right place at the right time).

8.3 The main points have time windows for each team, i.e. only a specific team can complete the task at a given time.

8.4 Being late will result in not being able to complete the task and score points.

8.5 By participating in the Tactical Loop course, participant agrees to physical contact (non-threatening to their life or health) from the Loop staff, which will be part of the scenario.

8.6 Participator must be aware that the Loop route will pass through challenging, injury-prone terrain with wildlife such as, but not limited to, wolves and wild boar.

8.7 The minimum distance to be covered on the Loop route is 13 kilometres.

8.8 The minimum recommended equipment and knowledge of the competitor on the Loop route is: a plate compass, utensils for working on the map, calculator, a string of at

8.9 The organisers, at a briefing on the day before the event or at the start of the event, will provide participants with a 'Tactical Loop start pack', including: a drawstring bag, maps, an action plan, a loop technical message, start cards, a chemical light, a usable gadget.

8.10 General rules of the Tactical Loop:

- The basic principle of the Loop, is to follow procedures (appropriate algorithms and implementation of time gates – appropriate tactics, techniques and procedures). This is the basis to compete to win the Loop. Everything in between is up to the competitors. The more the better, but without procedures it means nothing.

- The Loop will consist of at least 8 stages.

- Starting priority in the Loop depends on the order in which the shooting task is completed and/or on the order of registration at the Race Office on the day before the start of the event. Interval start applies.

- The time spent on the Loop route will be regulated by time gates.

Nevertheless, each team should be at the "safe place" point (plan of action) by 05:30 on 02 December 2023.

- A team has the right to withdraw at any time, but this can only be done at check points with Loop staff. In justified cases e.g.: health risks, this may occur in the presence of a chase group.

- The use of any possible navigation and computing equipment in possession is permitted.

- The use of maps (in physical form) other than those included in the "Tactical Loop start pack" is prohibited.

- The order in which the main points on the Tactical Loop route are to be passed according to the "Action Plan". Any order of finish will apply to intermediate points between the main points.

- A Check Point in the field is a red and white lantern (2D or 3D) or a red and white tape with a perforation and a description/message.

- In order for a competing team to be classified, it is required to turn up at all main points of the Loop regardless of the time gate.

- It is strictly forbidden for teams to merge. Teams will be disqualified if this is found.

- It will not be possible to leave their equipment with the Loop staff.

- The classification of a team in the Tactical Loop will be determined by the following components: following the procedures outlined in the "action plan", in particular turning up at the communication and main points in accordance with the designated time gates, tasks at the main points, the number of intermediate points scored (according to conversion points, weight).

8.11. The exact records and rules for the Loop will be presented at the "task briefing" ( on the day before the Event or immediately before it starts) and

placed in the "loop start packet".

## **9. EQUIPMENT AND MANDATORY DOCUMENTS**

9.1. Each competitor must possess an IPMED (individual medical kit), which they must always have with them.

9.2. After registration, each competitor will receive their special CODE, which they will use during the competition.

9.3. Each competitor is required to familiarize themselves with the regulations and sign the start list, as well as provide a copy of their insurance. The absence of insurance is synonymous with disqualification from tactical shooting competitions (law enforcement personnel are exempt from individual insurance based on official delegation).

## **10. PARTICIPATION RULES FOR SNIPER EXTREME 2023**

10.1. A participant is someone who has been registered and verified at the SE23 Office, based on a valid identification document and has signed a statement acknowledging their familiarity with the Regulations.

10.2. Participants must possess valid firearm ownership credentials.

10.3. All participants competing in SE23 must be verified at the TOC SE23:

- During verification, participants must have an identification document with a photo, a firearms owner's ID along with authorization for the firearms they will use during the competition.
- Participants are not allowed to participate if under the influence of alcohol or any other intoxicating substances. The organizer reserves the right to subject participants to a breathalyzer test to verify sobriety. Refusal to take the test or a positive result will result in immediate removal from the competition.
- Participants are fully aware that participation in SE23 involves physical exertion, variable weather conditions, and an increased risk of physical injury (including fatalities). There may also be potential for damages, property losses, and other unpredictable risky factors and their consequences.
- Participants have considered and evaluated their physical and mental capabilities, assessed the scope and nature of the risks associated with participating in the competition. Participants participate voluntarily and solely at their own risk. SE23 participants are obligated to respond promptly to signals from emergency vehicles and the instructions of Rescue and Medical Services, the Organizer, designated functional personnel, and Instructors at individual task points during arrival, organization of rescue operations, and transport of casualties.
- In case of other threats (fires, lightning storms, etc.), participants must obey the commands of emergency action coordinators and execute them without hesitation, including directions from the State Fire Service, Police, Border Guard, Military Gendarmerie, CPSP personnel, Forestry Service, etc.
- During SE23, participants have the right to cover the route by running or walking, and they are not allowed to use any means of transportation or receive assistance from third parties. Crossing water obstacles by swimming is prohibited, except for fords verified and indicated by the organizer.
- Setting fires and open fires in forest areas (except designated areas) is strictly prohibited. Trespassing on agricultural fields, forest nurseries, and private properties is prohibited. The Organizer is not responsible for any

damages caused by participants to third parties or damages caused by third parties to participants.

- Please note that, according to the Forestry Law, Article 26, the following are permanently prohibited: entry into forests used for forestry up to a height of 4 m; experimental areas and seed stands; animal habitats; springs of rivers and streams; areas threatened by erosion. According to Article 30 of the same Forestry Law, the following actions are prohibited: soil and water pollution; littering; digging up the ground; destroying fungi and fungal species; damaging or destroying trees, shrubs, or other plants; damaging equipment and economic, tourist, and technical facilities, as well as signs and boards; raking and collecting litter; making noise and using sound signals, except in cases requiring an alarm. Within a distance of up to 100 m from the forest border, it is particularly prohibited: igniting fires outside designated areas, using open flames, burning the topsoil and plant residues.
- Entry into forest areas marked with signs "tree felling - no entry" is prohibited, unless the Organizer informs about the change of this ban before the competition.
- Participants are required to comply with the rules of movement on public roads, traffic regulations, and fire safety regulations.
- All participants are obliged to possess and show upon the Organizer's request a valid identification document and the pass issued by the Organizer during SE23.
- The Organizer has the right to withdraw a participant from the route in case the medical team determines the participant's inability to continue physical exertion and in case of a breach of this Regulation.

10.4. All participants are required to check out at the TOC (Competition Office) SE23 without exception.

### **ATTENTION!!!**

**Please note that the SNIPER EXTREME 2023 Competition Regulations for TASIOR are subject to change until the start of the competition based on guidelines provided to the Organizer by the Commander of CPSP USTKA. Changes and potential clarifications of the Regulations are the responsibility of the Organizer.**

In accordance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), the personal data administrator is the SPRZYMIERZENI z GROM Foundation, located at 32 Świętokrzyska Street, Unit 1U-95, 00-116 Warsaw. Personal data will be processed for the purpose of registering for the SE2023 competition. The individual whose data is being processed has the right to request access to their personal data, as well as the right to rectify, delete, or limit the processing of their data. They also have the right to data portability and the right to lodge a complaint with the Polish supervisory authority or the supervisory authority of another European Union member state, which is competent based on the individual's place of habitual residence or work or the alleged violation of the GDPR.