### **Bass Reeves Gun Club**

# Marksmanship Proficiency Assessment (MPA) Quick Reference

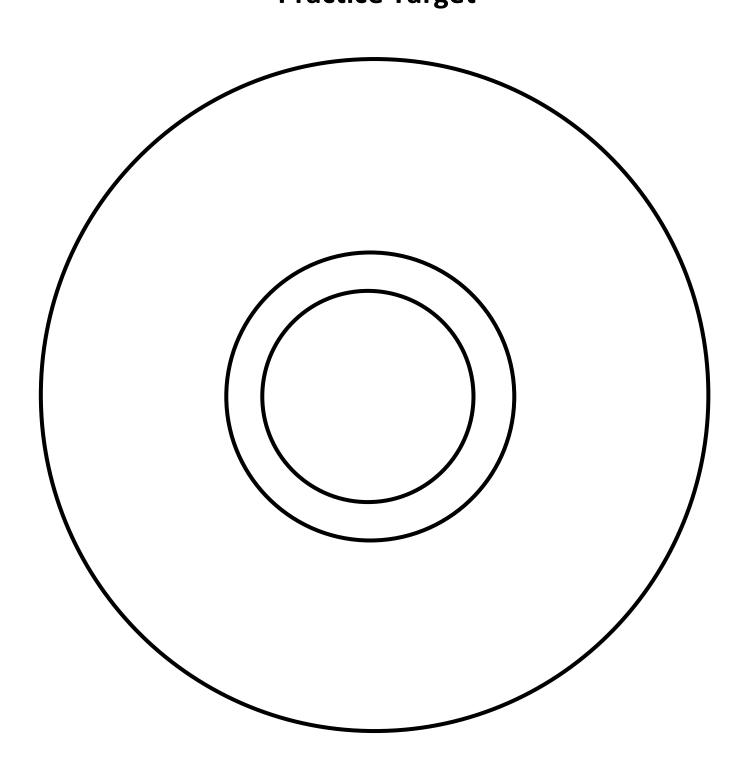
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TASK 1 Recite Safety Fundamentals	TASK 2 Recite Marksmanship Fundamentals	TASK 3 Complete Course Of Fire	RATING STRUCTURE
<b>1.</b> Treat all firearms as if they are loaded.	1. Proper grip.	1. Fire 7 rounds from 10 feet.  (Outer Ring)	NOVICE: Complete tasks 1, 2 & 3 with NO SAFETY VIOLATIONS.
<b>2.</b> Keep finger off the trigger until ready to fire.	2. Proper stance.	2. Fire 7 rounds from 10' @ simulated 25' distance. (2nd Ring)	INTERMEDIATE: Meet novice criteria & score at least 16 hits on target.
<b>3.</b> Keep firearm pointed in a safe direction at all times.	<b>3.</b> Proper sight picture.	3. Fire 7 rounds from 10' @ simulated 30' distance. (Inner Ring)	ADVANCED: Meet criteria & score 21 hits on target.
<ul><li>4. Know your target &amp; what's around it.</li><li>5. Never try to catch a</li></ul>			
falling firearm.			

#### **Notes**

- 1. Read the entire event announcement as it contains information not contained here.
- 2. Bring a serviceable handgun, ammo (21 rounds), ear & eye protection.
- 3. Arrive on time. The time will be stated in the event announcement
- 4. Complete all required waivers before arrival at the range & bring with you.
- 5. Memorize the safety & marksmanship fundamentals (tasks 1 & 2 above).
- 6. A practice target & diagnostics are provided below for your convenience.

# Bass Reeves Gun Club Marksmanship Proficiency Assessment Practice Target



## **Right-Handed Diagnostic Chart**

	Emotional anticipation of recoil due to fear, performance anxiety, or wanting to control recoil	<ul> <li>a. Dry fire until pressing the trigger without jerking, then switch back and forth between dry fire and live fire.</li> <li>b. Switch to a lighter recoiling load or gun until flinch goes away.</li> <li>c. Take 5 slow breaths, calm down and focus on the front sight while slowly pressing the trigger.</li> </ul>
	Sympathetic finger/wrist movement due to squeezing too tight, too heavy of a trigger, or an inability to isolate trigger finger movement due to a brain motor map of the hand that isn't granular enough	Using dry fire, adjust grip firmness until able to move trigger finger without moving other fingers or wrist. If using a heavy trigger, try a lighter trigger. Long term, do grip and trigger finger isolation drills.
	<ol> <li>Visual Suppression</li> <li>Uncalibrated/unsynchronized visual and vestibular aiming systems</li> <li>Sympathetic squeeze or sympathetic thumb movement due to squeezing too tight, too heavy of a trigger, or an inability to isolate trigger finger movement due to a brain motor map of the hand that isn't granular enough.</li> <li>Loose sights</li> <li>Excessive trigger overtravel</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Brock string drills or shut one eye</li> <li>Do visual/vestibular resets</li> <li>Using dry fire, adjust grip firmness until able to move finger without moving other fingers or thumb. If using a heavy trigger, try a lighter trigger. Long term, do grip and trigger finger isolation drills.</li> <li>Verify</li> <li>Verify</li> </ol>
	Cross eye dominance combined with visual suppression	"Brock" string drills or shut one eye.
	<ol> <li>Seeing but not focusing on the front sight.</li> <li>Looking downrange too quickly</li> <li>Hard breathing/holding breath</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Pick a detail on the front sight and focus on it as you press the trigger.</li> <li>Watch sights come back into alignment and call where shot went before looking downrange.</li> <li>Slow breathing</li> </ol>
No Pattern	Inconsistent/no technique applied.	SLOW down, focus on consistent technique until getting a group.

### **Left-Handed Diagnostic Chart**

	Emotional anticipation of recoil due to fear, performance anxiety, or wanting to control recoil	<ul> <li>a. Dry fire until pressing the trigger without jerking, then switch back and forth between dry fire and live fire.</li> <li>b. Switch to a lighter recoiling load or gun until flinch goes away.</li> <li>c. Take 5 slow breaths, calm down, and focus on the front sight while slowly pressing trigger.</li> </ul>
	Sympathetic finger/wrist movement due to squeezing too tight, too heavy of a trigger, or an inability to isolate trigger finger movement due to a brain motor map of the hand that isn't granular enough.	Using dry fire, adjust grip firmness until able to move trigger finger without moving other fingers or wrist. If using a heavy trigger, try a lighter trigger. Long term, do grip and trigger finger isolation drills.
	<ol> <li>Visual Suppression</li> <li>Uncalibrated/unsynchronized visual and vestibular aiming systems</li> <li>Sympathetic squeeze or sympathetic thumb movement due to squeezing too tight, too heavy of a trigger, or an inability to isolate trigger finger movement due to a brain motor map of the hand that isn't granular enough.</li> <li>Loose sights</li> <li>Excessive trigger overtravel</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Brock string drills or shut one eye</li> <li>Do visual/vestibular resets</li> <li>Using dry fire, adjust grip firmness until able to move trigger finger without moving other fingers or thumb. If using a heavy trigger, try a lighter trigger. Long term, do grip and trigger finger isolation drills.</li> <li>Verify</li> <li>Verify</li> </ol>
	Cross eye dominance combined with visual suppression	"Brock" string drills or shut one eye.
	<ol> <li>Seeing but not focusing on the front sight.</li> <li>Looking downrange too quickly</li> <li>Hard breathing/holding breath</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Pick a detail on the front sight and focus on it as you press the trigger.</li> <li>Watch sights come back into alignment and call where shot went before looking downrange.</li> <li>Slow breathing</li> </ol>
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