GEORGIA PRECISION RIFLE QUALIFICATION
(GAPRQ)

I. FIREARM: Any standard precision rifle that is equipped with a telescopic optic and is used by departmental personnel for precision or long range rifle engagements.

II. AMMUNITION: 10 rounds of the precision rifle ammunition that is used during real tactical operations.

III. TARGET: One (1) Silhouette target per student, each having BOTH an attached life size human face upon which a four (4) inch diameter circle has been drawn to define the cranial vault target area AND a 5x8 inch box affixed or drawn in the center mass area of the silhouette target’s body.

IV. CLOTHING: Departmental uniform and attached equipment as worn during actual call outs.

V. SIGHTS: It is highly recommended that each shooter have available to them during this qualification, the external ballistic data for their own particular rifle/ammunition combination. Such data should be in separate hard copy form, such as a “ballistic data log” or ballistic computer and may be affixed to the shooter, his gear and/or the weapon/sighting system. The external ballistics data should include, at a minimum, precise elevation adjustments to allow for field expedient adjustments at ranges from 50 to 200 yards.

VI. GENERAL: The shooter must demonstrate their proficiency during this qualification, in making quick, accurate, and consistent adjustments to their optical/telescopic sight, so as to deliver precise and repeatable “point of aim”/“point of impact” hits without need for imprecise techniques such as “hold over” and “hold under”.

All reloads are the shooter’s responsibility.

Shooters must clear their own malfunctions. There are no alibis allowed.

Shooters are to begin each string of fire with an empty chamber and the rifle’s safety in the “on” or engaged position unless otherwise directed by the Range Instructor. Loading will take place only upon the command of the Range Instructor. Rounds may be made up only at the STAGE (distance) wherein the problem or malfunction occurred and only within the allotted time for completion of that Stage.

It is strongly recommended that this course serve as a quarterly
qualification and be conducted during various weather and lighting conditions.

This course is designed to test the shooter’s marksmanship fundamentals only and does not satisfy the departmental obligation to ensure their personnel conduct monthly marksmanship proficiency training involving any and all conceived scenarios and weather/lighting conditions in accordance with National Tactical Officer’s Association guidelines.

VII. SCORING: All ten rounds will be fired at either the 4 inch facial target’s circular cranial vault scoring area or the 5x8 inch center mass scoring box. Any rounds fired outside of the scoring areas disqualify the shooter and constitute a failing score. Should the bullet perforation ring break the scoring line of either the cranial vault circle or the center mass box, such shot shall be scored as a “hit” to that area and graded accordingly.

VIII. SAFETY: While actively engaged in a course of fire and while moving, reloading, and/or clearing a malfunction therein, the shooter will maintain proper muzzle and trigger finger discipline by keeping the weapon pointed in a safe direction downrange and by keeping the trigger finger off the trigger and out of the trigger guard. At all other times during this qualification and while moving, the shooter will similarly maintain proper muzzle and trigger finger discipline by keeping the weapon pointed in a safe direction downrange and by keeping the trigger finger off the trigger and out of the trigger guard. The rifle’s chamber shall be empty and the safety in the “on” or engaged position.

IX. QUALIFICATION COURSE:

STAGE ONE: 100 Yard Line, 2 strings, 4 rounds total

String 1 – PRONE position: 20 seconds, 1 iteration, 1 round

INSTRUCTOR NOTES: The shooter will begin standing at the 100-yard firing line. Upon direction of the Range Instructor, the rifle will be loaded with ONE round in the magazine, an empty chamber and the rifle’s safety selected on/engaged. Upon the command of the Range Instructor, the shooter will run downrange and touch their target, then run back to the firing line and stand over their shooting position. As soon as all shooters have returned and are safely behind the firing line, the Range Instructor will face the targets or give the audible signal/command to start.

When the targets face or upon the audible start signal/command from the Range Instructor, the shooter will have 20 seconds to assume a prone position, chamber and fire ONE round into the cranial vault scoring circle of the human facial
target as designated by the Range Instructor.

Upon firing the shot, shooters will remain in the prone position, prepare to show a clear and empty weapon and await the directions of the Range Instructor. Shooters should not leave their shooting position until the line has been declared safe and they are directed to do so by the Range Instructor.

**String 2 – PRONE position: 60 seconds, 1 iteration, 3 rounds**

**INSTRUCTOR NOTES:** The shooter will assume a prone position at the 100-yard line using such support devices/systems as he will have available to him in the field or on a call out. Upon direction of the Range Instructor, the rifle’s magazine is loaded with THREE rounds. A round will be chambered from the magazine and the rifle’s safety selected on/engaged.

When the targets face or upon the audible start signal/command from the Range Instructor, the shooter will have 60 seconds to fire THREE rounds into the cranial vault scoring circle of the human facial target as designated by the Range Instructor.

Upon firing the third shot, shooters will remain in the prone position, prepare to show a clear and empty weapon and await the directions of the Range Instructor. Shooters should not leave their shooting position until the line has been declared safe and they are directed to do so by the Range Instructor.

**STAGE TWO: 75 Yard Line, 2 strings, 3 rounds total**

**String 1 – PRONE position: 30 seconds, one iteration, 2 rounds total**

**INSTRUCTOR NOTES:** The shooter will assume a prone position at the 75-yard line using such support devices/systems as he will have available to him in the field or on a call out. Upon direction of the Range Instructor, the rifle’s magazine is loaded with TWO rounds. A round will be chambered from the magazine and the rifle’s safety selected on/engaged.

When the targets face or upon the audible start signal/command from the Range Instructor, the shooter will have 30 seconds to fire TWO rounds into the cranial vault scoring circle of the human facial target as designated by the Range Instructor.

Upon firing the second shot, shooters will remain in the prone position, prepare to show a clear and empty weapon and await the directions of the Range Instructor. Shooters should not leave their shooting position until the line has been declared safe and they are directed to do so by the Range Instructor.

**String 2 – PRONE position: 15 seconds, one iteration, 1 round total**

**INSTRUCTOR NOTES:** The shooter will begin standing at the 75-yard firing line. Upon direction of the Range Instructor, the rifle will be loaded with ONE round in the magazine, an
empty chamber and the rifle’s safety selected on/engaged. Upon the command of the Range Instructor, the shooter will run downrange and touch their target, then run back to the firing line and stand over their shooting position. As soon as all shooters have returned and are safely behind the firing line, the Range Instructor will face the targets or give the audible signal/command to start.

When the targets face or upon the audible start signal/command from the Range Instructor, the shooter will have **15 seconds** to assume a prone position, chamber and **fire ONE round** into the cranial vault scoring circle of the human facial target as designated by the Range Instructor.

Upon firing the shot, shooters will remain in the prone position, prepare to show a clear and empty weapon and await the directions of the Range Instructor. Shooters should not leave their shooting position until the line has been declared safe and they are directed to do so by the Range Instructor.

**STAGE THREE:** **50 Yard Line, 1 string, 3 rounds total**

**String 1 – ALTERNATING positions: 60 seconds, one iteration, 3 rounds total**

**INSTRUCTOR NOTES: The shooter will begin standing at the 50-yard firing line. Upon direction of the Range Instructor, the rifle’s magazine is loaded with THREE rounds. A round will be chambered from the magazine and the rifle’s safety selected on/engaged.**

When the targets face or upon the audible start signal/command from the Range Instructor, the shooter will **fire ONE round** from a standing position, **ONE round** from a kneeling position, and **ONE round** from a sitting position into the 5 inch by 8 inch center mass area of the silhouette target. All three rounds must be fired **within 60 seconds**.

Upon firing the third shot, shooters will remain in the sitting position, prepare to show a clear and empty weapon and await the directions of the Range Instructor. Shooters will not leave their shooting position until the line has been declared safe and they are directed to do so by the Range Instructor.