The American Legion, Department of Virginia
Virginia State Championship
3 Position Air Rifle Match
(34th Annual Department Championship)

Official Match Program for 2026 (Updated)

April 18th & 19th 2026

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The American Legion sponsors a program of marksmanship and gun safety education for middle and high school age youth. As a major component of this program, The American Legion of Virginia conducts a Junior Three Positions Air Rifle Tournament, which provides shooters an opportunity to test their marksmanship ability in competition with other junior shooters throughout the state, representing their American Legion Post.

The Department (State) Championship Match is a "by invite" shoulder-to-shoulder competition between the top three sportier and precision teams, which placed in their 2026 Regional Postal Championship. This Department (State) Championship Match will be a CMP sanctioned match with Excellence in Competition Points (EIC) awarded. The Tournaments will be conducted in accordance with this Official Match Program (OMP) and the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules.

The Department of Virginia, Virginia State Championship Director is **Michael (Mike) Flanagan. Phone/ Text: 540-602-8808.**

Regional Championships: The Department (State) of Virginia is divided into three regions. The regional championships will be held by conducting a postal match. See enclosure 1

The Department of Virginia, Virginia State Championship will be held on Saturday April 18th and April 19th, in the American Legion Post 290 located at 1141 Mountain View Road in Stafford County, Virginia.

Who May Compete: The top three sporter and precision teams, which placed in their 2026 Regional Championship.

Entrance Fees: There is a one-time $20.00 per shooter match entrance fee that is paid at the Region Qualifier registration. There is no additional fee for the Department (State) Championship Match.

Match Sanction: This State Championship match will be a 3x20 CMP Sanctioned match. EIC points will be awarded as per current CMP guidelines.

Teams: The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place Sporter teams and the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place Precision team from each region will be invited to the Department (State) Championship Match. If any invited team cannot participate in the State Championship match, the next placed team from the three regional qualifier matches will be invited. In the event a member from an invited team cannot attend the Department (State) Championship Match, only a member who participated in the Regional Match can be used as a substitute.

Individual athletes: Individual athletes may be invited to the Department (State) Championship Match based on highest scores and availability of open lanes at the State Championship. Invitational letters (emails) will go out 10 days prior to the Championship.

Scoring System: Orion Scoring system will be used.

Targets: Electronic Targets will be used.

Match Results Bulletins: Results will be posted live at the Orion web site www.orionresults.com, and the CMP Competition Tracker will be updated by the CMP.

Equipment Classes: Sporter Air Rifle and Precision Air Rifle are eligible for this event.

Equipment: As described in the current National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle rules. Teams are responsible for supplying their own CO2. Compressed air will be available at the range. Each team will have to supply the correct manifolds for their rifles, if required. Team adults will be responsible for refills; range personnel will supervise fills.

Clothing: National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle rules will apply to the match.

Courses of Fire: The teams consist of 4 firing members, 3x20 course of fire consists of 20 shots each in the kneeling, prone and standing positions, fired in that order. Time limits are specified below:

Finals: There will be no final round fired.

5.3.3 Individual Event, 3x20 (no final)

	3x20 COURSE OF FIRE	
STAGE	**POSITION**	**TIME LIMIT**
Place prone targets in the target holder		
PREPARATION AND SIGHTING	KNEELING Unlimited sighting shots	8 minutes
RECORD FIRE	**KNEELING, 20 record shots**	**20 minutes**
Place standing targets in the target holder		
CHANGEOVER	KNEELING to PRONE	5 minutes
SIGHTING	PRONE Unlimited sighting shots	5 minutes
RECORD FIRE	**PRONE, 20 record shots**	**20 minutes**

Place standing targets in the target holder		
CHANGEOVER	PRONE to STANDING	5 minutes
SIGHTING	STANDING Unlimited sighting shots	5 minutes
RECORD FIR	**STANDING, 20 record shots**	**25 minutes**

Total Relay Time 93 minutes

It is the coaches' responsibility to ensure that all shooter/athletes who are registered for the match have the proper name as is recorded by CMP. It is also the coaches' responsibility to ensure the CMP numbers are correct and age as well as gender is included in the roster.

The Match Director will notify the teams of their target & relay assignments **NLT 5 April 2026**.

Department (State) Championship Match Relay Times (each day):

1st relay: 0800 hrs.
2nd relay: 1000 hrs.
3rd relay: 1200 hrs.
4th relay: 1400 hrs.

Athletes will be allowed to enter the range and set up approximately 20 minutes before the start of their relay. Coaches and athletes should arrive no later than 30 minutes prior to their relay to verify team and registration. The course of fire will start at the designated time.

Rules: Current edition of the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules will apply.

Range Safety: All of the safety rules specified in the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules will be followed. No one will go down range without CBI'S inserted and rifles grounded. Eye protection is highly suggested.

Awards: First, second, and third place Sporter & Precision Teams receive individual medals as well as a team plaque for the affiliated American Legion Post. First, second, and third place Sporter & Precision Individuals will receive medallions.

Location: American Legion Post 290 located at **1141 Mountain View Road in Stafford County, Virginia (The main post on Mountain View)**

Food and Lodging: Food will be available throughout the day inside the Post. Other food and lodgings are available throughout Stafford, Virginia.

ENCLOSURE 1

Regional Championships
(The Regional Qualification Round)

Postal Match

March 1 - 31, 2026

The American Legion sponsors a program of marksmanship and gun safety education for middle and high school age youth. As a major component of this program, The American Legion of Virginia conducts a Junior Three Positions Air Rifle Tournament, which provides shooters an opportunity to test their marksmanship ability in competition with other junior shooters throughout the state, representing their American Legion Post.

The American Legion Department of Virginia Championship consists of two phases of competition: The Regional Qualification Round and Department (State) Championship. This year the Regional Qualification Round will be conducted by a postal match, and the Department Championship will be a shoulder-to-shoulder competition fired on electronic targets. Excellence in Competition Points (EIC) will not be awarded for the regional round but will be awarded during the Department Championship.

The Department of Virginia, Region Postal Matches will be conducted at the team's home range during the period of 1 - 31 March, 2026.

Who May Compete: Sponsorship: Entry is limited to shooters who are active members of a Junior Shooting Clubs (includes 4-H Boy Scouts, JROTC's of all branches and individuals) that are sponsored by, or affiliated with an American Legion Post, Unit or Squadron in Virginia. Affiliation form is attached.

Age Limits: See the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules. Competitors who have reached their 18th birthday and are in the high school class of 2026, and those younger, are eligible to compete.

Entrance Fees: There is a one-time $20.00 per shooter match entrance fee, which includes the Region Qualifier, and the Department (State) Tournament for those teams/individuals qualifying to participate. The fees are to be paid prior to firing the Regional Contest. Make the check payable to "**American Legion Post 290 JSSP**" mail to:

American Legion Post 290
ATTENTION: Jr. Shooters
P.O. Box 125
Stafford, Virginia 22555

If needed, a W9 can be found in enclosure 3 of this document.

Team: Is a Junior Shooting Clubs (includes 4-H Boy Scouts, JROTC's of all branches and individuals) that are sponsored by, or affiliated with an American Legion Post, Unit or Squadron in Virginia. I

Firing Team: The primary firing team per club will be made up of the top 4 firing members. The next 4 firing members will complete the next team, and so on.

The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place Sporter teams and the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place Precision team will be invited to the State Championship. Vacancies will be filled by the next highest scoring team from all regions.

Scoring System: Orion Scoring system will be used. A child match will be provided if applicable, otherwise targets may be mailed to the team to compete.

Targets: Paper or Electronic targets may be used for the postal match.

Postal Match Firing Report: Complete and submit the postal match firing report to the match organizer upon completion of firing. Email: ssa_davenport@hotmail.com

Match Results Bulletins: Results will be posted at the end of the Region Qualification Round. The results will be posted to the Orion web site www.orionresults.com .

Equipment Classes: Sporter Air Rifle and Precision Air Rifle are eligible for this event.

Equipment: As described in National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle rules.

Clothing: National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle rules will apply.

Team Photos: Send a team photo to vajssp@gmail.com for posting on our Department of Virginia homepage.

Courses of Fire: Region Qualification Round will be 3x20 (no finals).
The individual 3x20 course of fire consists of 20 shots each in the kneeling, prone and standing positions, fired in that order. Time limits are specified below:
Individual Event, 3x20 (no final)

3x20 COURSE OF FIRE		
STAGE	**POSITION**	**TIME LIMIT**
PREPARATION AND SIGHTING	KNEELING Unlimited sighting shots	**8 Minutes**
RECORD FIRE	**KNEELING, 20 record shots**	**20 Minutes**
CHANGEOVER	KNEELING to PRONE	**5 Minutes**
SIGHTING	PRONE Unlimited sighting shots	**5 Minutes**
RECORD FIRE	**PRONE, 20 record shots**	**20 Minutes**
CHANGEOVER	PRONE to STANDING	**5 Minutes**
SIGHTING	STANDING Unlimited sighting shots	**5 Minutes**
RECORD FIRE	**STANDING, 20 record shots**	**25 Minutes**

Total Relay Time 93 minutes

Registration: Coaches/ Managers should email the attached 2026 Match Registration Form, containing the following information, to the Match Organizer **Claude Davenport** at **ssa_davenport@hotmail.com**: 1) Club / School Name, 20 Orion Team number (if applicable, 3) Coaches / Point of Contact information, 4) American Legion Post affiliation, 5) Team members first & last names, 6) CMP numbers, 7) gender, 8) Precision or Sporter class.

Registration for the Postal Match 2100hrs, Saturday February 28th. Team lists must be submitted prior to the closing of registration.

The American Legion supports the Youth Protection measures for its youth programs. For the Department of Virginia's regional and department (state) matches, Coaches must provide proof of a youth protection background investigation and youth safety training to the affiliating Post Commander.

Rules: The current edition of the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules will apply.

Awards: Regional Qualification Rounds: First, second, and third place Sporter & Precision Teams receive individual medals as well as a team plaque. First, second, and third place Sporter & Precision Individuals will receive medallions.

AFFILIATION REQUEST
THE AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAM

2026 American Legion Department of Virginia
Region Postal
3 Position Air Rifle Championship

2026 VIRGINIA JSSP CLUB INFORMATION

Club: _____

Address: _____

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Class: ☐ **Sporter** ☐ **Precision**

Manager. Coach/ Staff: _____ ☐ **BG Check** ☐ **Training**

_____ ☐ **BG Check** ☐ **Training**

Sponsoring Post:

Post Location: _____

Post Number: _____

Post Commander: _____

Post Address: _____

_____

Commander's email and phone #: _____

Signature of Head Coach/ Manager: _____ **Date:** _____

Pursuant to The American Legion Risk Management Guidebook for the American Legion Junior Shooting Sports (JSSP) – The respective Affiliated Post is assigned responsibility ensuring that background checks and abuse awareness training has been accomplished.

With my signature, I certify that I have been presented with a copy of an approved background check and certificate of abuse awareness training from each individual listed in the Coach/ Manager section of this affiliation Form.

Signature of Post Commander: _____ **Date:** _____

Coaches should email this 2026 signed Regional/ Department (State) affiliation form along with the registration form to:

ALJSSP Match Coordinator Claude Davenport at ssa_davenport@hotmail.com

ROSTER

THE AMERICAN LEGION JUNIOR SHOOTING SPORTS PROGRAM

2026 American Legion Department of Virginia
Region and Department
3 Position Air Rifle Championship

Club or School Name:	Orion Number:
American Legion Post Affiliated with (if not a Post team)	

Coach/Point of Contact:	
Cell Phone:	Alt Phone:
Email:	American Legion Post:

Relay Choice: □ 1st □ 2nd □ 3rd □ 4th

No.	Last Name	First Name	CMP #	Gender	Class (P/S)
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Enclosure 2

Three-Position Air Rifle
Virtual Match Report Form

Instructions. Each location contact must complete this form for virtual or multiple-location matches. Completed forms must be forwarded to the Match Director (Mike Flanagan, American Legion Post 290 at vajssp@gmail.com) within one (1) week after firing at that location is completed. The Match Director (Mike Flanagan) will forward all completed forms to the CMP with the final results list for the Match.

Match Name: 2026 American Legion Department of Virginia Region Postal .

Sponsoring Club or Contact: The American Legion Department of Virginia JSSP ,
ssa_davenport@hotmail.com

School/Club: _____

Location: _____ Date Fired: _____

Number of Competitors who fired at this Location: _____ Sporter _____ Precision

Location Contact: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____

Match Verification:
Please verify the following by initialing (match contact):

- At least 2 individuals fired on each relay. _____
- All competitors were eligible three-position air rifle participants, in accordance with rule 3.1 of the NS3PAR Rules. _____
- Targets were placed at a distance of 10 meters. _____
- Shooting positions defined in Rule 5.1 of the NS3PAR Rules were used by all competitors. _____
- The prone, standing and kneeling positions were fired in that order. _____

Please have two match officials or witnesses verify the conduct of firing at this location. These individuals will only be contacted in the case of a dispute or to reverify firing conditions.

I certify that that I personally observed the firing of this match at this location and that all applicable rules and guidelines established in the National Standard Three-Position Air Rifle Rules were followed.

Witness #1

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Phone Number: _____

o	Range Officer	o	Other Match Official
o	Coach	o	Parent/Other Witness

Witness #2

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Phone Number: _____

o	Range Officer	o	Other Match Official
o	Coach	o	Parent/Other Witness

Did any rules issues come up during the match? If so, please describe.

Main contact or competition onsite Director signature:

_____Date: _____

Enclosure 3

Form **W-9**
(Rev. March 2024)
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Go to *www.irs.gov/FormW9* for instructions and the latest information.

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS.

Before you begin. For guidance related to the purpose of Form W-9, see *Purpose of Form*, below.

Print or type. See *Specific Instructions* on page 3.

1 Name of entity/individual. An entry is required. (For a sole proprietor or disregarded entity, enter the owner's name on line 1, and enter the business/disregarded entity's name on line 2.)

Stafford American Legion Post 290

2 Business name/disregarded entity name, if different from above.

American Legion Post 290

3a Check the appropriate box for federal tax classification of the entity/individual whose name is entered on line 1. Check only **one** of the following seven boxes.

☐ Individual/sole proprietor ☒ C corporation ☐ S corporation ☐ Partnership ☐ Trust/estate

☐ LLC. Enter the tax classification (C = C corporation, S = S corporation, P = Partnership) . . . . .

Note: Check the "LLC" box above and, in the entry space, enter the appropriate code (C, S, or P) for the tax classification of the LLC, unless it is a disregarded entity. A disregarded entity should instead check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner.

☐ Other (see instructions)

4 Exemptions (codes apply only to certain entities, not individuals; see instructions on page 3):

Exempt payee code (if any)

Exemption from Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) reporting code (if any)

(Applies to accounts maintained outside the United States.)

3b If on line 3a you checked "Partnership" or "Trust/estate," or checked "LLC" and entered "P" as its tax classification, and you are providing this form to a partnership, trust, or estate in which you have an ownership interest, check this box if you have any foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries. See instructions . . . . . ☐

5 Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.). See instructions.

PO Box 125

Requester's name and address (optional)

6 City, state, and ZIP code

Stafford, VA. 22555-0125

7 List account number(s) here (optional)

Part I Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)

Enter your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on line 1 to avoid backup withholding. For individuals, this is generally your social security number (SSN). However, for a resident alien, sole proprietor, or disregarded entity, see the instructions for Part I, later. For other entities, it is your employer identification number (EIN). If you do not have a number, see *How to get a TIN*, later.

Note: If the account is in more than one name, see the instructions for line 1. See also *What Name and Number To Give the Requester* for guidelines on whose number to enter.

Social security number

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or

Employer identification number

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Part II Certification

Under penalties of perjury, I certify that:

1. The number shown on this form is my correct taxpayer identification number (or I am waiting for a number to be issued to me); and
2. I am not subject to backup withholding because (a) I am exempt from backup withholding, or (b) I have not been notified by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) that I am subject to backup withholding as a result of a failure to report all interest or dividends, or (c) the IRS has notified me that I am no longer subject to backup withholding; and
3. I am a U.S. citizen or other U.S. person (defined below); and
4. The FATCA code(s) entered on this form (if any) indicating that I am exempt from FATCA reporting is correct.

Certification instructions. You must cross out item 2 above if you have been notified by the IRS that you are currently subject to backup withholding because you have failed to report all interest and dividends on your tax return. For real estate transactions, item 2 does not apply. For mortgage interest paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, contributions to an individual retirement arrangement (IRA), and, generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the certification, but you must provide your correct TIN. See the instructions for Part II, later.

Sign Here **Signature of U.S. person** M. L. Ly **Date** 25 January 2025

General Instructions

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

Future developments. For the latest information about developments related to Form W-9 and its instructions, such as legislation enacted after they were published, go to *www.irs.gov/FormW9*.

What's New

Line 3a has been modified to clarify how a disregarded entity completes this line. An LLC that is a disregarded entity should check the appropriate box for the tax classification of its owner. Otherwise, it should check the "LLC" box and enter its appropriate tax classification.

New line 3b has been added to this form. A flow-through entity is required to complete this line to indicate that it has direct or indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries when it provides the Form W-9 to another flow-through entity in which it has an ownership interest. This change is intended to provide a flow-through entity with information regarding the status of its indirect foreign partners, owners, or beneficiaries, so that it can satisfy any applicable reporting requirements. For example, a partnership that has any indirect foreign partners may be required to complete Schedules K-2 and K-3. See the Partnership Instructions for Schedules K-2 and K-3 (Form 1065).

Purpose of Form

An individual or entity (Form W-9 requester) who is required to file an information return with the IRS is giving you this form because they