

## **FINALS 10M Olympic – 2023 Rules**

6.17.1.3 **Reporting and Start Times.** The Start Time for a Final is when the CRO begins the commands for the first MATCH shot/series. Athletes must report to the Finals Range Preparation Area **at least 30 minutes before the Start Time**. A two (2) point/hit penalty will be deducted from the score of the first MATCH shot/series if the athlete does not report on time....

6.17.1.14 Finals Rules and Procedures.

- a) ISSF General Technical Rules or the Technical Rules for each event apply in all cases not covered by Rule 6.17.
- b) Reporting and equipment set-up. After reporting to the Preparation Area, finalists or their coaches must be allowed to place their guns and equipment on their firing points at least 20:00 min. before the Final start time (15:00 min. before for 25m Pistol Finals). Gun cases and equipment containers must not be left on the FOP. Aiming exercises are not permitted at this time. Athletes must then return to the Preparation Area, ready to be called to the firing line for their warm-up period and presentation. Coaches will take their allocated seats on the field of play.
- c) Call to the line. An NTO will direct athletes to line up close to the Finals Range twelve (12) minutes before the published START time. When Rifle finalists are called from the Preparation Area to the firing line, they must walk to the line fully dressed with trousers and jackets closed. The CRO will announce **“ATHLETES TO THE LINE”**
- d) Safety flags. After finalists are called to the line, they may handle their guns, get into firing positions and do holding or aiming exercises but they may not remove safety flags or dry fire until the **“PREPARATION AND SIGHTING TIME...START”** command.
- e) Dry firing. In Finals, dry firing is permitted only during a Preparation and Sighting Time, Changeover and Sighting Times or a Preparation Period, except that dry firing during 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Finals is permitted in accordance with 6.17.4. Dry firing, at any other time must be penalized with a one (1) point deduction in 10m and 50m Finals and a one (1) hit deduction in 25m Pistol Finals.
- f) Early loading. No finalist is permitted to load a rifle or pistol until the CRO gives the command **“LOAD”** or **„START“**. This means that for the Preparation and Sighting Time, where there is no **“LOAD”** command, **“START”** is also an authorization to load. Loading is defined as bringing a cartridge or pellet or magazine with cartridges into contact with the gun (see 6.2.3.4).
- g) Holding and aiming exercises. In Finals, holding and aiming exercises are permitted from the time finalists are called to the line (**“ATHLETES TO THE LINE”** command) until the **“STOP... UNLOAD”** command at the end of the Final is given, except that holding and aiming exercises may not be done during the presentations.
- h) Firing before **START** or **LOAD** command. If a finalist in a 10m, 25m or 50m Final loads and fires a shot before the **“PREPARATION AND SIGHTING TIME...START”** command or before the **“FOR THE SIGHTING SERIES...LOAD”** command, he must be disqualified.

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- i) Firing after **STOP** command. If a finalist fires a shot after the “**PREPARATION AND SIGHTING TIME... STOP**” command or the “**CHANGE-OVER AND SIGHTING TIME...STOP**” command and before the “**START**” command for the next competition series, the shot must not be counted as a MATCH shot and a two (2) point penalty must be applied to the first MATCH shot.
- j) 25m Pistol – ...
- k) Firing extra shot. If a finalist fires an extra shot in a series or single shot time, the extra shot must be nullified and a two (2) point/hit penalty must be applied to the last correct shot/series.
- l) Firing inadvertently. If a finalist who is not involved in a shoot-off or malfunction completion/refire loads and fires a shot that shot must be nullified. There is no penalty for this inadvertent mistake.
- m) Safety flags - must remain inserted in finalists’ guns until the Preparation and Sighting Time starts. Safety flags must be inserted during the presentation and when an athlete is eliminated or the Final concludes. Athletes who are eliminated during a Final must place their guns down on the firing point, bench or equipment box (3-Position Finals) with actions open and muzzles pointed downrange, with safety flags inserted. A Range Officer must check all guns to make sure safety flags are inserted. Medal winners may pose with their guns immediately after the Finals, but no guns may be removed from the firing points until safety flags are inserted and checked by a Range Officer. If an athlete inadvertently fails to insert a safety flag, a Range Officer is authorized to correct the fault and insert a safety flag.
- n) Coaching. Non-verbal coaching is permitted during all Finals. Verbal coaching is permitted only during 3-Position Rifle Final changeover times.
- o) Incorrect commands. If a Finals CRO in either an individual or mixed team Final gives an incorrect command, such as failing to start a relay correctly or calling STOP before all athletes have fired or completed firing, the following procedure must take place:
- If a Finals CRO in either an individual or mixed team Final gives an incorrect command during a single series, shots already fired must be counted. The CRO must reset the time clock to the original time limit and give new commands to allow the athlete(s) who did not start or were unable to complete firing, to fire their remaining shots.
  - If a Finals CRO in either an individual or mixed team Final gives an incorrect command during a multi-shot individual or mixed team series, shots already fired must be counted. The Jury-Member-in-Charge must determine how much time was remaining at the time STOP was commanded, add 60 seconds to that time and instruct the CRO to restart and complete the series so athletes who have shots remaining can fire.
  - If any athlete misunderstands this procedure and accidentally fires too many shots, any extra shots must be nullified and incur no penalties.

- p) Presentation of Medallists. After the CRO declares **“RESULTS ARE FINAL,”** the Jury Member in Charge must assemble the three medallists on the FOP and the Announcer must recognize the medal winners by announcing:

**“THE BRONZE MEDAL WINNER, REPRESENTING (NATION), IS (NAME)”**

**“THE SILVER MEDAL WINNER, REPRESENTING (NATION), IS (NAME)”**

**“AND THE GOLD MEDAL WINNER, REPRESENTING (NATION), IS (NAME)”**

- q) Malfunctions. Only one (1) malfunction will be allowed for each athlete throughout the Final. Athletes may be allowed one (1) minute to repair or replace a malfunctioning firearm to permit the Final to continue without unnecessary delay.
- r) Music. During the Final, music must be played which should be approved by The Technical Delegate. Enthusiastic audience support is encouraged and recommended during all Final stages.
- s) Penalties. Any penalties will be applied according to ISSF rules. t) Irregular cases. ISSF General Technical Rules will apply to matters not mentioned in the above paragraphs. The Jury will decide irregular or disputed matters according to General Technical Rules for each event.

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Time	“COMMAND” / Action	Duration
T – 20	EQUIPMENT SET-UP TIME	7 min
T-13	“ATHLETES TO THE LINE.”	2 min
T-11	“FIVE MINUTES PREPARATION AND SIGHTING TIME...START.” – “30 SECONDS” – “STOP UNLOAD”	5 min
T-5:30	PRESENTATION OF FINALISTS, Introduce each finalist. Name province qualification score	4 min
T-1:00	“TAKE YOUR POSITIONS.” aiming exercises and dry firing allowed but no dry firing after the first START command at T-00:00	60 Sec
T-00:00	“FOR THE FIRST COMPETITION SERIES...LOAD.” After <u>5 sec.</u> , the CRO will command “START.” 250 sec (4 min 10 sec), 5 shots in each series. “STOP”	250 Sec
T+	“FOR THE NEXT COMPETITION SERIES, LOAD.” After <u>5 sec.</u> , the CRO will command “START.” 250 sec (4 min 10 sec), 5 shots in each series. “STOP”	250 Sec
T+	“FOR THE NEXT / LAST COMPETITION SHOT, LOAD.” After <u>5 sec.</u> , the CRO will command “START.” – 50 seconds “STOP” – <u>Repeat until end of finals</u>	50 Sec
	<p>After all Finalists have fired twelve (12) shots, the lowest ranking athlete is eliminated (8th place). The lowest ranked finalists will continue to be eliminated as follows: <b><i>NB Check for ties in the last place</i></b></p> <p>After 14 shots – 7th place</p> <p>After 16 shots – 6th place</p> <p>After 18 shots – 5th place</p> <p>After 20 shots – 4th place</p> <p>After 22 shots – 3rd place (bronze medal winner is decided)</p> <p>After 24 shots – 2nd and 1st places (silver and gold medal winners are decided)</p>	

**TIES** If there is a tie for the lowest ranking athlete to be eliminated, the tied athletes will fire additional tie-breaking single shots until the tie is broken. For the tie-breaking shot, the CRO will immediately announce the family names of the tied athletes and command them to fire the tie-breaking shots with the normal firing procedure. The Announcer will make no comments until the tie is broken.

After the two (2) remaining finalists fire their 24th shots, and if there are no ties and no protests, the CRO will declare “RESULTS ARE FINAL.”

“THE GOLD MEDAL WINNER, REPRESENTING (PROVINCE), IS (NAME)”

“THE SILVER MEDAL WINNER, REPRESENTING (PROVINCE), IS (NAME)”

“THE BRONZE MEDAL WINNER, REPRESENTING (PROVINCE), IS (NAME)”