



DEFENDING THE HOMESTEAD

Keepin' up with ranch work is tough! Someone's always tryin' to steal yer cattle, make off with your horses, or squat on yer turf. Then, there's the critters...



SLY SODBUSTER BUSTS SOD SIDeways

While you were in town gettin' some seeds and sundry supplies, you hired a sodbuster to plow a little garden patch while you were gone. As you get closer to home, you see that this sodbuster couldn't plow a straight row to save his life! Matter of fact, this guy doesn't even look like the guy you hired! You reach for your pistol as this farmer reaches for his, and the shootin' begins!

Ammo

10 rifle, 5-10 pistol, 6 shotgun, derringer/pocket pistol

Starting Position

Shooter stands beside horse gun rack with hand on his pistol

Procedure

When ready, shooter says, *"No sad-sack sinister sodbuster's out shootin' me!"*

Shooter draws and fires five shots at single pistol target, then holsters pistol.

Two gun shooters repeat.

Shooter takes up rifle and double taps the five rifle targets left to right: 1-1-2-2-3-3-4-4-5-5.

Make rifle safe.

Shooter takes up shotgun, engages targets 1-2-3-3-2-1.

Make shotgun safe.

Engage derringer/pocket pistol target for bonus.

Time stops



RAIDIN' RUSTLIN' RIDERS RIDDLED

You and your crew have bedded down for the night when the night rider quietly wakes you to say that there's riders movin' around the herd. You know there's been rustlers workin' this section of the trail, so you know what's comin'. You've got plenty of ammo, so it's time for you to teach these polecats a lesson!

Ammo

5 Pistol, 10 Rifle, 4 shotgun , derringer/pocket pistol

Starting Position

Standing behind hay bale, rifle safely held at Port Arms, nine rounds in magazine, Safely holstered pistol(s) loaded with five rounds (each). Shotgun safely staged.

Procedure

When ready, yell "*Thieves! You're thwarted!*"

At the buzzer, Nevada Sweep the rifle targets, left to right; 1-1-2-2-3-3-4-4-5-5

Engage pistol targets in a continuous Nevada Sweep, left to right. Two gun shooters, shoot second gun right to left.

Engage shotgun targets twice each: 1-1-2-2.

Engage pocket pistol/derringer target for bonus.

Time stops.



MASKED MEN MEAN TO MENACE

You've been tidying up a bit around the ranch, when you see riders in a cloud of dust approaching. You don't recognize any of the riders because they're all wearing masks. Looks like they're makin' off with your horses. That could only mean trouble!

Ammo

5 pistol (per gun), 10 rifle, 4 shotgun

Starting Position

Shooter standing at window, rifle at port arms.

Procedure

When ready, Shooter says *"Make ready, Masked Men!"*

At buzzer, Shooter engages rifle targets through window 1-2-3-4-5-1-2-3-4-5. Make rifle safe.

Engage pistol targets through window 1-2-3-4-5. Two gun shooters engage targets with second pistol in reverse order: 5-4-3-2-1. Safely holster gun.

Engage Shotgun targets through window 1-2-1-2. Make shotgun safe.

Timer stops.



COY CURS CREEP UP ON COUP

Now, out in the distance, you're pretty sure you see a pack of Coyotes cooly creeping up on your chicken coup. Good thing you're packin' 'so you can protect yer poultry from these pernicious pests!

Ammo

5 Pistol (10 for two gun shooters), 10 Rifle, 4 Shotgun

Starting Position

Standing behind horse gun rack with both hands on its butt, with safely holstered pistol(s)

Rifle safely staged.

Shotgun safely staged; at least four rounds on your person.

Procedure

When ready, yell "*Come on ya mangy curs! Come and get some!*"

At the buzzer, engage pistol targets in a continuous sweep:1-2-3-4-5). Two gun shooters repeat same sequence.

Holster pistols and engage rifle targets in the order of 1-1-2-3-4-4-3-2-1-1.

Make rifle safe and engage shotgun targets 1-2-3-4.

Make shotgun safe.

Timer stops.



THE SHORTSVILLE SHADY GROVE SHOOTIN' MATCH AND SUPPER

Scenario

Well, it's June, and in Shortsville, that means the Annual Shortsville Shooting Contest in the shady grove, this year followed by Rawhide Rick's Roasted Road Kill and Whew, What's In The Pot stew. So, what the heck! You've been workin' hard all week, so pay the entry fee and sign up for fun shootin' and delicious dinner before you head back to the ranch.

Ammo

10 Per Rifle, 5 pistol, 4 shotgun.

Targets

3 rifle caliber rifle, 2 pistol caliber rifle, 2 pistol/shotgun, .22 gallery target (weather permitting)

Starting Position

Standing with low ready pistol(s),
Rifle safely held at Cowboy Port Arms, or
Shooter in position with single-shot rifle

Procedure

At the buzzer, shooters engage the appropriate target for their caliber, alternating shots on 2 targets, except for the .22 target.

POSSE MEMBERS: you will keep your same work assignments on this stage!

POSSE LEADERS: Keep the action moving- run this stage like any other. Try to accommodate two shooters at once, shooting different banks of targets. Position shooters so brass falls on mat.

PLEASE NOTE that there is a SEPARATE scoring sheet for this stage! Do NOT put scores for Long Range on the regular sheets. Time is not the primary scoring method, hits are. For this stage, the shooter must announce his/her caliber choice to the scorer before the stage begins.

.22 rifle shooters are scored in repeating or single shot rifle OPEN category, depending on action type.

Shotgun Stampede is also scored separately.

Counters count Hits only, last shot stops the clock.

Time breaks ties in number of hits only.

If time allows, shooters may shoot a second gun of a different caliber, but after all shooters have completed their first gun

.***THIS STAGE IS OPTIONAL!***