

Florida Association of Police Explorers (F.A.P.E.) Shooters Qualification Checklist for 9mm

Explorer's Full Name: _____ DOB: _____

Post Name: _____ Post#: _____

Every shooter participating in the F.A.P.E. shooting competitions/events must have completed all the below listed tasks in order to qualify to participate. Each task must be signed off by the person(s) who instructed the task. This is for both safety purposes and to ensure that all FAPE shooters have received training and shown proficiency handling and shooting a 9mm Semi-automatic handgun.

NOTE: The original form will be kept on file with the Florida Association of Police Explorers prior to the first shooting competition. It is suggested that Advisors make a copy of this form prior to turning this into the F.A.P.E.

SECTION 1: General familiarization of the handgun to include learning the parts of the weapon, by name and the operation of those parts. This includes, but not limited to; For 9mm, the safety, de-cock, sights, grip, trigger, slide, ejection port, magazine, magazine release, sights, etc. Each Explorer will be fully instructed on how to check for a loaded/unloaded weapon before handling or cleaning. The Explorer should be tested, by written examination to be kept in their Post files for documentation.

This shooter demonstrated proficiency.

Firearm Instructor: _____ Date: _____
(Please Print) (Signature)

SECTION 2: The Explorer will be instructed on the proper (DRY fire) loading of the weapon. This will include, but not limited to; keeping the weapon pointed down range, proper hand position while loading weapon The Explorer will DRY fire the weapon and complete the unloading and loading process until proficient. The 9 mm shooter will be instructed to include, but not limited to; operation of an unloaded weapon to include the use of the safety, de-cock, magazine release, slide (charging) and loading (dummy) rounds in the magazine, the proper magazine insertion and the action of the slide. In addition for 9 mm users, each 9 mm user will be instructed on the danger of injury caused by poor hand position and being cut by the slide action. They will also know the dangers of, and the corrective technique of a jam, to include a double feed and stove pipe jam. The Explorer, with the use of dummy rounds, simulated by the instructor, will be proficient in "clearing" a jammed semi-auto. [Note: There is a procedure in place for jammed weapons during a match that will not allow the shooter to clear the weapon-pending]. The Explorer should be tested preferably by a practical test.

This shooter demonstrated proficiency.

Firearm Instructor: _____ Date: _____
(Please Print) (Signature)

SECTION 3: The Explorer will be instructed on the safety rules and the terminology used while on a shooting range, to include, but not limited to; when to and NOT to handle weapons; eyes & ears; rules on No horseplay, profanity or taunting; proper clothing (hats & long pants, closed toed shoes); not to wear red shirts or hats unless certified instructors with FDLE. The Explorer shall be instructed on gun handling in case of injury; if the shooter encounters difficulties they will know to raise their NON-gun hand and keep the weapon pointed down range; and know where to stand while

on the shooting line during the different phases of a match. Terms such as down range; make your weapon safe; cease fire; alibi; load with 5 (ammo), will be discussed with the Explorer. The commands of a FAPE pistol match will be understood by each shooter. I.E. "Is the line ready...the line is ready...all ready on the left...all ready on the right...all ready on the firing line....FIRE" (or an audible signal). The FAPE Pistol Competition Guidelines will be reviewed. Each shooter must have the knowledge on how to score a B8, bullseye target, as used by the FAPE.

This shooter demonstrated proficiency.

Firearm Instructor: _____ Date: _____
(Please Print) (Signature)

SECTION 4: The Explorer will at this time be familiar with the loading and unloading process and the various other sections of this checklist. The shooter may now be instructed on proper shooting techniques in a live fire session as deemed by the Advisor/Pistol Coach. The Explorer should be tested, preferably by written & practical examination to be kept in their Post files for documentation.

This shooter demonstrated proficiency.

Firearm Instructor: _____ Date: _____
(Please Print) (Signature)

SECTION 5: The Explorer has attended practices and has shown proficiency handling and shooting a 9mm Semi-automatic handgun.

Firearm Instructor: _____ Date: _____
(Please Print) (Signature)

Your signature states that you completed all of the above tasks prior to competing in the Pistol Competition with the Florida Association of Police Explorers and have read the F.A.P.E Bullseye Pistol Rules.

Signature of Police Explorer: _____ Date: _____

Your signature states that the member of your post (listed above) completed all of the above tasks prior to competing in the Pistol Competition/Activity with the Florida Association of Police Explorers.

Post Advisor: _____ Date: _____
(Please Print) (Signature)