



Annual Championship and Grading Policy

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Introduction

This policy outlines the methodology for determining both the UKPSA Annual Championship results and the award of grades for those competing in UKPSA sanctioned matches conducted within a calendar year, from the 2026 season onwards. This policy may include any L2 or L3 UKPSA approved and IPSC sanctioned matches within the GB Region, and potentially other regions as designated by the UKPSA Sports Council. Both Annual Championships and use of the grading system are required of regions by the IPSC.

All L2 and L3 matches eligible for inclusion in the Annual Championships and Grading System must be supervised by a qualified Range Master or another range official authorised by NROI. Level 2 matches are required to include at least six stages, while Level 3 matches must have a minimum of twelve stages. Additionally, the course of fire must be approved in accordance with the procedures outlined in the UKPSA Match Director's Handbook. These requirements are implemented to ensure consistency and fairness throughout.



Annual Championship

Qualifying Matches:

- The Championship schedule should include a minimum of 5 matches whenever possible, ideally Level 3 matches held within the GB Region.
- The UKPSA Sports Council may nominate Level 2 matches to supplement the championship schedule if required-
- The Sports Council reserves the right to sanction a championship schedule of less than 5 if there matches if there is insufficient availability of matches.
- Consideration will be given to overseas matches where there is an insufficient GB schedule.
- The specific matches used for the Championships will be communicated to the membership by the UKPSA Sports Council.
- Should additional matches be arranged during the year the Sports Council reserves the right to add these to the Schedule

Qualifying Individuals:

- All competitors must hold the appropriate competition licence
 - An individual must complete in the same division in all their qualifying matches
 - Age related categories will apply for the age at the beginning of the calendar year
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- The Championships are calculated based on the total percentage score from each of the qualifying matches. i. ii. 3 or fewer matches: Total accumulation of percentage scores. 4 matches: Best 3 scores are used. iii. 5 or more matches: Best 4 scores are used.
 - The highest percentage will be awarded the Championship

Awards:

Championship awards will be calculated for each IPSC Division and Category

- i. 1st place if there are 3 or more qualifying competitors
- ii. 2nd place if there are 6 or more qualifying competitors
- iii. 3rd place if there are 9 or more qualifying competitors



Grading System

Qualifying Matches:

All qualifying Level 2 or 3 matches held within the GB Region are used for grading.

Calculation of Grade:

- The average score from a minimum of 3 qualifying matches will be calculated annually.
- Grading is awarded based on this average score.
- Competitors best 3 percentages from all qualifying matches shot will be used
- Gradings
 - i. Grand Master: 95–100%
 - ii. Master: 85–94.9%
 - iii. A: 75–84.9%
 - iv. B: 60–74.9%
 - v.C: 40–59.9%
 - vi. D: 2–40%
- Competitors that do not shoot sufficient qualifying matches in the calendar year will be graded U
- Individuals in their first year of competing are graded as Open

Exceptions and Designations:

The UKPSA Sports Council may designate IPSC matches taking place in other regions to determine UKPSA Championships or grades in disciplines that cannot be held within the GB Region (e.g., IPSC Handgun, IPSC Rifle) or where sufficient UK based matches are not available.

Communication:

The Sports Council is responsible for determining the matches to be used for the Annual Championships and Grading System and for communicating this information to the membership prior to the start of the shooting calendar.

Any updates to the schedule should be communicated as soon as possible.

