

The Cowboy Mounted Shooting Association (CMSA) is an international organization that promotes and promulgates rules and guidelines for the equestrian timed event of Cowboy Mounted Shooting. It continues to be the fastest growing equine sport nationwide with more than 14,000 members and growing daily.

Mounted contestants compete in this fast action exciting sport using two .45 caliber single action revolvers each loaded with five rounds of specially prepared black powder ammunition using no projectiles. Competition courses consisting of 10 balloons on poles are set in a variety of patterns. The first five balloons are set so that the rider must manage their horse through a pattern with turns executing lead changes, and riding as fast as possible while shooting and popping the targets with the black powder. The second half of each pattern, with the five remaining balloons set at 36 foot intervals in a straight line is called the "run down".

Each competitor engages the course by crossing a timing beam at a full gallop to engage the first five balloons. After a shooter fires the fifth shot, he or she returns the empty revolver to a holster and quickly draws a second revolver, rifle or shotgun. While holstering and drawing guns, the shooter turns a barrel and then charges down the "run down" before crossing the timer again. Scoring is based on elapsed time plus a five second penalty for each target missed or barrel knocked over. An average course of fire normally takes a contestant between 15-30 seconds to complete creating an exciting, fast paced, crowd pleasing sport.

The dress requirement of late 1800's attire, or modern jeans covered by chaps or chinks and riders wearing cowboy hats, with holsters strapped on, recreates images of the old west. Female competitors often compete with long skirts billowing over the backs of their fast moving horses. Competitors under the age of 12 compete as "Wranglers" and do not use guns while riding, but are big crowd pleasers and contribute to the family appeal of this sport. Competitions in Virginia are typically attended by shooters from Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, North and South Carolina. Some competitions attract shooters from as far as New England and Florida!

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