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DRAFT DECISION

Standing Regulations for the Conduct of Individual Proof of Black Powder Weapons

Amendment to Decision XIX-7, Article 11 (Chapter 4.5)

Article 11 should read as follows:

*"Article 11      Official Recording*

On the completion of Proof a Report is to be written recording the following information:

- the serial number and date of the Report,
- the type of Proof,
- the data identifying the weapon,
- in the case where no defects were observed:
  - the maximum mass of the service load projectile,
  - the maximum mass of the service load black powder,
  - the maximum mass of the service load black powder substitute.
- in the case of a failure:
  - the nature of the defect.

The applicant is to be given a certificate containing this information for each weapon proved."

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The Annex to Decision XIX (Chapter 4.6.) should be replaced by the following:

**"TECHNICAL ANNEX TO THE STANDING REGULATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF INDIVIDUAL PROOF OF BLACK POWDER WEAPONS (ANNEX TO 4.5.) [.....]"**

*1. The Black Powders to be used for Weapon Proof:*

Black Powders to be used are:

- Swiss 1 for weapons with short barrels (pistols or revolvers),
  - Swiss 2 for weapons with long barrels,
- or black powders with similar properties.

*2. Loading Table for Black Powder Weapons:*

The prescribed loads are as follows:

Calibres	Pressures for guidance (bar)	Proof Charge (Black powder)		Maximum service Charge (Black powder)		Maximum service Charge (Substitutes) 1)	
		Powder (g)	Shot or Bullet (g)	Powder (g)	Shot or Bullet (g)	Powder (g)	Shot or Bullet (g)
10 Gauge	750	13	65	6,5	36	4,9	36
12 Gauge							
14 Gauge							
16 Gauge							
20 Gauge	800	12	60	5,5	32	4,1	32
24 Gauge							
28 Gauge							
32 Gauge							
36 Gauge	850	9	40	4	22	3,0	22
9 mm							
.31 ca. 7,9 mm							
.36 ca. 9,1 mm							
.41 ca. 10,4 mm	1200	8	27	5	27	3,8	27
.44 ca. 11,2 mm							
.45 ca. 11,5 mm							
.50 ca. 12,7 mm							
.54 ca. 13,8 mm	1400	14,5	35	9	35	6,8	35
.58 ca. 14,7 mm							
.69 ca. 17,5 mm							

The following Black Powder Substitutes have been tested by the CIP and may be used in black powder weapons:

Pyrodex Select, Pyrodex RS, Pyrodex P, Triple Seven FFg, Triple Seven FFFg.

On request the Proof may be done for a higher or lower maximum service load than that indicated in the table. In that case the proof charge must be adjusted upwards or downwards accordingly.

### 3. *Proof Procedures*

Smooth bore weapons are to be loaded by placing a felt wad of at least 20 mm depth on top of the powder (without compression). The projectile shall consist of shot pellets of a diameter of 2.5 - 3.0 mm, held in place in the barrel by means of a felt wad of at least 10 mm depth placed over them.

In the case of firearms with a rifled barrel, loading shall follow the same procedure as that laid down for smoothbore weapons, using a bullet instead of shot and without a wad.

### 4. *Proof Loads for Pistols, Revolvers and Firearms of special design:*

In the case of pistols with one or more barrels, where Proof firing in compliance with Paragraphs 2 and 3 above is not possible, the Proof load is to be determined, while taking into account the length of the barrel(s), by relating it to the maximum service load laid down for that type of firearm. The quantity of Proof powder must be twice the service load.

In the case of revolvers and firearms of special design that have a powder chamber or use a capless cartridge unable to accommodate the Proof load provided for in Paragraph 2, the chambers are to be filled with the maximum amount of reference powder they can hold. The bullet is to be inserted and pushed in until flush.

### 5. *Diameters of the Touch Holes*

Firearms using black powder must be equipped with nipples having a touch hole with a maximum diameter of 1 mm pointing towards the chamber.

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Annex V

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#### **Quality Assurance**

##### A. Amendment to Decision XXIII-26 (Chapter 1.11)

The last sub paragraph should read as follows:

"CIP Quality Policy

The CIP, with its Permanent Bureau and its Member States represented by their Delegates, undertakes to guarantee by means of its Quality System that its Decisions are applied, thus ensuring the safety in use of those weapons, devices and ammunition that have been proved and certified.

This guarantee also guarantees the independence of the Proof Houses in fulfilling their role.

In the same way the CIP undertakes to guarantee that the methods used by the Proof Houses will be valid and the measuring equipment correctly calibrated. In addition the results will be traceable and their confidentiality assured by means of the accreditation of the Proof Houses as per ISO/IEC 17025."

Accreditation of Proof Houses in accordance with ISO/IEC 17025 can serve as proof as required by national law.

##### B. Amendment to Decision XXIV-22 (Chapter 1.11)

The 3rd Paragraph should read:

"The management of the Manual of Quality Directives of the CIP is the responsibility of the Permanent Bureau. Its future development is a task for Sub Commission 2 (The Regulatory Committee)."