

IDPA State Coordinator Roles and Responsibilities

An IDPA State Coordinator (SC) is a position developed by the IDPA HQ to aid in the growth and administration of IDPA and to assist the Area Coordinator (AC) in a specific state. The IDPA SC position is filled by an IDPA volunteer sponsored by IDPA HQ. The IDPA roles are to grow IDPA membership, represent the AC and IDPA Headquarters in the field, be an IDPA mentor, and when necessary be an Arbiter.

The IDPA SC is assigned a specific state within the AC's Area of Responsibility (AOR), thus extending the reach of the AC.

IDPA SC Responsibilities

Role: Grow IDPA Membership Within the State

- 1) Help the AC ensure that IDPA affiliated clubs in the state are successful.
- 2) Raise awareness within the shooting community about the safety, fun, personal growth, and challenge that IDPA offers shooters.
- 3) Sign off for CSOs in that state prior to forwarding them to the AC.

Role: Represent IDPA Headquarters In The Field

- 1) Provide a bi-directional liaison between IDPA clubs in the state and the AC.
- 2) Keep AC apprised of all events by CC'ing them on pertinent emails.
- 3) Serve as AC's/Headquarters' representative to IDPA clubs, Match Directors (MDs,) Safety Officer Instructors (SOIs,), Safety Officers (SOs,) and shooters in the assigned state.
- 4) Develop a working relationship with each Match Director and IDPA club in the state.
- 5) Stay current with IDPA rules and policies.
- 6) Serve as a point of contact for IDPA clubs, MDs, SOs and shooters for coaching, and other issues within the state.
- 7) When possible, review stages for sanctioned matches prior to stages being submitted to the AC for approval.
- 8) Verify the stages setup and run in a sanctioned match are true to those that were approved when acting as an AC delegate.
- 9) Attend local IDPA matches as often as possible in the state.
- 10) Ensure that IDPA clubs consistently follow the IDPA purpose, principles, and all the rules in the current IDPA rulebook.
- 11) Identify to the AC clubs using the IDPA name or rulebook but that are not affiliated.
- 12) Offer data, insight, feedback, and rulebook suggestions to the AC as requested.
- 13) Provide support to clubs hosting sanctioned matches.

Role: An IDPA Mentor

- 1) Be an ambassador and mentor for IDPA MDs, SOs, current and new shooters in the state.
- 2) Be easily accessible to the shooters with any shooting, match, or officiating related issues.
- 3) Continually improve the quality of the MDs, and SOs in the state. Coach Match Directors, SOs and the shooters on IDPA rules and how to run matches safely, smoothly, and fairly.

Role: An Arbiter

1. Listen to any and all complaints and issues from MDs, SOIs, SOs, and IDPA members. Investigate and determine if these issues can be resolved equitably by working closely with the interested parties or if the AC needs to be involved.
2. Work with IDPA clubs if their local or sanctioned matches have significant variances from IDPA principles, purpose, or rules. If the issues are not corrected in a reasonable time by working with the IDPA club, advise the AC so they may help remedy the situation, revoke the match sanction, or revoke the club's affiliation.
3. Work with Match Directors and Safety Officers if they are inactive, unable, or unwilling to do a good job. If the issues are not corrected in a reasonable time by working with the individual, advise the AC so they may help remedy the situation, or revoke the individual's certification.
4. Work with individual shooters that have serious or repeated safety violations or that repeatedly violate IDPA purpose, principles, or rules. If the issues are not corrected in a reasonable time by working with the individual, advise the AC so they may help remedy the situation.
5. Represent, when requested, the AC at sanctioned matches. Assist the AC with the written After Action Report that is required from the AC after the match.

SC Qualifications

All IDPA SCs must meet and maintain the following requirements:

- 1) Be a current IDPA member in good standing and have never had their membership revoked.
- 2) Adhere to the SC Code of Conduct at all times.
- 3) Have a positive attitude towards IDPA and its members at all times and conduct oneself in a manner that always reflects well on IDPA.
- 4) Have sanctioned match SO experience.
- 5) Demonstrate knowledge of the IDPA rules and procedures.
- 6) Demonstrate the ability to resolve conflicts quickly and smoothly.
- 7) Strive to regularly participate in IDPA matches as an SO or CSO at the club and sanctioned match levels.
- 8) Strive to travel the state to attend sanctioned matches, teach, and provide support to each club.
- 9) Be appointed by IDPA HQ upon request from the AC.