


# Movement

A non-shooting action

## move·ment

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*noun*

noun: **movement**; plural noun: **movements**

1. an act of changing physical location or position or of having this changed.  
"a slight movement of the upper body"  
*synonyms*: motion, move; [More](#)
  - an arrival or departure of an aircraft.
  - an act of defecation.  
noun: **bowel movement**; plural noun: **bowel movements**
  - the activities and whereabouts of someone, especially during a particular period of time.  
"your movements and telephone conversations are recorded"
  - the general activity or bustle of people or things in a particular place.  
"the scene was almost devoid of movement"
  - the progressive development of a poem or story.  
"the novel shows minimal concern for narrative movement"
  - a change or development in something.  
"movements in the underlying financial markets"  
*synonyms*: development, change, fluctuation, variation [More](#)
2. a group of people working together to advance their shared political, social, or artistic ideas.  
"the labor movement"  
*synonyms*: political group, party, faction, wing, lobby, camp  
"the labor movement"
  - a campaign undertaken by a group of people working together.  
"a movement to declare war on poverty"  
*synonyms*: campaign, crusade, drive, push  
"a movement to declare war on poverty"
3. **MUSIC**  
a principal division of a longer musical work, self-sufficient in terms of key, tempo, and structure.  
"the slow movement of his violin concerto"  
*synonyms*: part, section, division  
"a symphony in three movements"
4. the moving parts of a mechanism, especially a clock or watch.

In our sport, determining a clear pass/fail for movement is open to interpretation.

During an informal poll using the entire IDPA Staff at Nationals, no two answers were exactly the same. There is a way to circumvent every definition which becomes a distraction.

While it may be used as an instruction in a Written Stage Description, it is no longer something a Safety Officer may judge using a subjective opinion.

This brings the question of what to do when a shooter chooses to spend his or her time standing on a stage that has movement written in to the stage briefing. The answer is simple, score the time. At the appropriate time, a competitor will discover what is best for them.

IDPA matches should be scored and decided based on the amount of time a shooter took to complete a stage along with any points down scored due to marksmanship. The shooting action.