



Barrels don't want to be shot!

An IPSC Ontario initiative to support the removal of barrels as vision barriers.

In an effort to encourage clubs to replace downrange barrels with props that do not present safety and scoring issues, the Board of Directors and NROI Ontario have created a bursary that aims to offer financial assistance towards the purchase of materials needed for portable wall construction.

Why: Barrels placed directly in front of targets as vision barriers downrange present problems for Range Officers and competitors alike. In addition to the safety concerns raised from witnessing rounds enter a barrel, spin several times and exit at high speed from an unknown location, officials frequently remark on the scoring difficulty created by the distorted edge of a barrel. However, many clubs lack the necessary resources to replace these inexpensive items with a more appropriate, restorable straight-edged vision barrier.

Who: Any IPSC club interested in constructing or purchasing new vision barriers to replace their existing barrels.

When: Funds will be available through the bursary for any application received in 2021 or 2022.

What: Successful applicant clubs will be given a one-time bursary of \$1000 to be used towards new vision barriers

How: If your club is interested in tapping into these funds for prop improvement, please send an email to nroi@ipsc-ont.org with the Club name, IPSC rep name and how you plan to use the money to replace barrels.

It is our hope that this program will encourage the discontinuation of barrels directly in front of targets and represents the second step of a plan towards the eventual prohibition of barrels as direct vision barriers in front of targets at sanctioned Ontario matches.