# Western Wayne County Conservation Association *Falling Plate* - Handgun & PCC Shooting Event

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**2026 Dates**: April 11, June 13, July 11, Aug. 8, Falling Plate dates

(FYI, May 9 & Sept. 12, are the Steel Challenge dates)

Registration: 9:00 am to 1:30 pm

Shooting: 9:30 am until the last registrant completes course of fire (about 2:30 pm)

## Introduction

The Falling Plate Event consists of shooting a string of six steel plates (and attempting to knock them over) with six shots. Each participant will shoot two six shot strings for each stage. There are four stages, and each stage is shot at the 10-, 15-, 20- and 25-yard shooting lines. It takes 48 shots to complete the full course of fire. Participants may shoot as many courses of fire as desired during the event. If shot more than once, the best score will be used for the event summary.

## **Targets**

.22LR rimfire handguns & PCC; 6" diameter steel plates Centerfire handguns & PCC; 8" diameter steel plates

Distance: 10, 15, 20 & 25 yards, see below for more details

### **Equipment**

*Handgun*: Any .22 LR or center fire handgun (revolver or semi-auto) or PCC. There is a six-cartridge maximum load limit per string. All sight types are acceptable (ie. iron, red dot, laser, etc.).

Cartridge limits: .38 spcl / 9mm or larger, no +P or magnums or no calibers LARGER than .45 ACP Other: Safety glasses and hearing protection is required for all shooters, timers and spectators.

#### **Procedure**

At the command of the range officer, the shooters will be told to load their handgun or PCC. When all guns are loaded and are at the ready position (muzzle down, 45-degree angle), the range officer will blow a whistle. This will start the timers and the shooters will commence shooting. The timer will stop after hearing the sixth shot. At this time, handguns are reloaded, hit count & actual time is recorded, and the plate stands are reset. Once everyone is ready to shoot again, the process is repeated for a second time. Shooters will repeat this two-string process for each of the four stages. Each stage will be shot at one of four distances, starting at the 10-yard shooting line, and then moving to the 15, 20 and finishing at the 25-yard line. Everyone is allowed one alibi (reshoot) for equipment malfunctions.

Once each shooter has completed their course of fire, they will be asked to perform the timing & plate resetting role for the next line of shoots.

#### **Scoring**

All 8 strings of hits & time scores will be tallied. A combination of plates knocked over (hits) and total time are mathematically combined towards everyone's final score. There are *no default times used in Falling Plates*, only actual time and hits are used to compute the final score.

Scoring Divisions: .22LR iron sight, .22LR optics, CF iron sight, and CF optic sight for both handgun & PCC.

## Results / Payback

Lewis award system will be applied to the final results. You do not have to be present after the event to win Lewis money. All participants will be provided an event summary via e-mail (contact Paul Baird to be added to the email list (734) 968-4079 or <a href="mailto:cometkid@wwnet.com">cometkid@wwnet.com</a>.