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Ohio National Guard training site to host national shooting competition

COLUMBUS, Ohio — A five-week shooting competition that attracts more than 6,000 national and international participants will begin next week at Camp Perry Joint Training Center (CPJTC).

The opening ceremony for the 2016 National Matches will take place at 10 a.m. Monday, July 11 at the Friends of Camp Perry Memorial Plaza at CPJTC, 1000 Lawrence Road, Port Clinton, Ohio. The ceremonial “first shot” will signal the start of the competition.

The First Shot Ceremony and CPJTC are open to the public. In addition to world-class shooting ranges, CPJTC offers a public beach, cottages and a state-of-the-art conference center.

The National Matches began in 1903 and moved to Ohio in 1907, and are hosted each year by the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP), assisted through working partnerships with organizations including the Ohio National Guard and National Rifle Association.

More information about the National Matches, including the official program, is available at: <http://thecmp.org/competitions/cmp-national-matches>.

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