

USA SHOOTING RIFLE/PISTOL TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES
2018 World Shooting Championships, 2018 World Cups, 2018 CAT

A. GENERAL

1. The 2018 Rifle/Pistol ISSF World Championships, 2018 World Cups and 2018 CAT participants will be selected from the top-scoring U.S. citizens under these USA Shooting Policies and Procedures.
2. Qualifying and selected athletes must meet International Olympic Committee (IOC), United States Olympic Committee (USOC) and International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) eligibility criteria. See USA Shooting Policies and Procedures, Section II regarding eligibility criteria.
3. Team members will be selected based on tryout performance. There will be no subjective selection unless stated and detailed in procedures outlined below.
4. All athletes must sign and abide by the current USA Shooting Code of Conduct. No alterations to the Code of Conduct are permitted.
5. Athletes will occupy the Team position(s) they earn. Team positions will not be filled by non-firing athletes. WC and CAT Team members will be selected in Open categories only. Juniors are eligible to qualify for WC and CAT Open category event participation.
6. The Junior 2018 WCH Team will be selected at the 2018 Junior Olympic Shooting Championships. Separate junior Selection Procedures will be posted on the USA Shooting website.
7. In the event of illness, injury or withdrawal of an athlete, the next highest ranked athlete from the team selection process will be added onto the team. When a vacancy occurs within 14 days of the competition the athlete qualified for, that slot will be left unfilled due to international, administrative, ticketing and visa requirements.
8. All Team slots earned must be accepted or declined within established suspense dates. Self-funding slots, if offered or applicable, must be accepted or declined by the stated suspense date and any required deposit for team travel must be received at USAS within 10 business days.
9. In the event of inclement weather, power outages, range and range equipment errors, or circumstances beyond the control of the organizing staff, the team selection course of fire may be altered as determined by the competition jury in conjunction with the match director, National Coach and designated Technical Delegate who is the final authority.
10. Performance Standard Score (PSS) Policy will apply for funding.

B. RIFLE/PISTOL TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES

1. Team trials and dates
 - a. Open .22 events at Fall Selection Match – Ft. Benning, GA September 16 - 25, 2017
Open air events at WAG – OTC, Colorado Springs – December 1-3, 2017
 - b. All Olympic open events at Spring Selection Match – Ft. Benning, GA – March 26 – 30, 2018
 - c. All junior Olympic WCH events at JOSCS - OTC, Colorado Springs – April 6 – 22, 2018
 - d. All non-Olympic events (except 300m Rifle) at USASNC, Ft. Benning – June 10 – 18, 2018

2. Events to be contested
 - a. Men's Air Rifle
 - b. Women's Air Rifle, 60
 - c. Men's 3X40
 - d. Women's 3X40
 - e. Men's Air Pistol
 - f. Women's Air Pistol
 - g. Men's Rapid Fire
 - h. Women's Sport Pistol
 - i. Men's Free Pistol
 - j. Men's Center Fire Pistol/Jr. Sport Pistol
 - k. Men's Standard Pistol
 - l. Men's 50m Prone
 - m. Women's 50m Prone
 - n. Men's 300m 3x40
 - o. Women's 300m 3x20
 - p. Men's 300m Standard Rifle
 - q. Men's and Women's 300m Prone
 - r. Mixed Team Air Rifle
 - s. Mixed Team Air Pistol

3. Number of courses of fire
 - a. R/P Fall Selection Match – Two courses of fire in .22 events, two courses of fire in 300m events
 - b. WAG – Two courses of fire in Air events
 - c. Spring Selection – Two courses of fire in both: Air and .22 events
 - d. JOSCS – Two courses of fire in both: Air and .22 events

4. Finals
 - a. **One** ISSF final per Olympic event will be held at each Selection match. Aggregate of two courses of fire will determine finalists. Finals start from zero. Finals points awarded by finish position.
 - b. Finals points awarded:
Air Rifle events:

1st = 4.0 points
2nd = 3.5 points
3rd = 3.0 points
4th = 2.5 points
5th = 2.0 points
6th = 1.5 points
7th = 1.0 point
8th = 0.5 point

All other Olympic events:

1st = 8 points
2nd = 7 points
3rd = 6 points
4th = 5 points
5th = 4 points
6th = 3 points
7th = 2 points
8th = 1 point

5. 2018 World Cups selection:

World Cup starts are earned through the trials process and appointments by USAS Selection Committee consisting of Discipline National Coach, Discipline Athlete representative (or alternate) and High-Performance Director.

The high aggregate score in 2017 Fall Selection match in .22 events and 2017 WAG in air events will secure 1 start position for WC Guadalajara & WC Changwon.

The second and third high aggregate scores will secure 1 start position to WC Guadalajara.

The remaining WC Changwon start positions will be filled by a Committee consisting of Discipline National Coach, Discipline Athlete Representative (or alternate) and High-Performance Director based on following criteria:

1. Placement at Fall Selection match and WAG
2. PSS qualification at the 2017 USASNC, 2017 Fall Selection/WAG
3. Athletes can only be appointed if they performed above ISSF 15th place average (PSS Policy) in the Fall Selection/WAG match at least once.

2018 WCH Team qualified athletes in the Olympic events will secure one start position at the 2018 Munich World Cup.

Athletes ranked 4th in the 2018 WCH Selection in each Olympic event will secure one start position at the USA World Cup. The remaining WC USA start and MQS positions will be filled by a Committee consisting of Discipline National Coach, Discipline Athlete Representative (or alternate) and High-Performance Director based on following criteria:

1. WCH Team's training priorities
2. Training the athletes to win Olympic Quotas at CAT.
3. PSS qualification
4. Athletes can only be appointed if they performed above ISSF 15th place average (PSS Policy) in the Fall/WAG and Spring Selection matches at least twice.

If there are still vacant competition and MQS slots remaining, those slots will be offered for self-funding based on the final WCH Selection ranking only to the athletes who achieved ISSF MQS scores in the Fall/WAG or Spring Selection matches at least twice. Funding for all the above is budget dependent.

6. 2018 World Championships Selection

The aggregate score of four courses of fire plus finals points earned in all finals will select the 2018 World Championships Team in all Olympic events.

Aggregate score is determined by combining the qualification scores fired in both selection matches and points earned in the finals as follows:

.22 events: Fall Selection + Spring selection + points earned in all finals at Fall and Spring Selection matches.

Air events: WAG + Spring Selection + points earned in all finals at WAG and Spring Selection matches.

Non- Olympic events:

300m Rifle WCH slots will be selected at the Fall Selection Match per the WCH Selection grid. Two courses of fire aggregate will determine the WCH Team. **The rest of Rifle and Pistol non-Olympic events slots will be selected at USASNC per WCH Selection grid.** Two courses of fire aggregate will determine the WCH Team.

Ties in all Olympic events will be broken immediately after the last Selection Final by shooting an extra ISSF format elimination final until the tie is resolved. Ties in non-Olympic events are broken by USAS tie breaking rules.

2018 WCH Team will be selected per the Selection grid below to fill the maximum number of slots allowed by ISSF rules: Rifle – 10 men, 8 women; Pistol – 10 men, 5 women

Pistol Men

Air Pistol	1	2	3
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Rapid Fire	4	5	6
Free	7	12	13
Center Fire	8	10	11
Standard	9	14	15

Pistol Women

Air Pistol	1	2	3
Sport Pistol	4	5	6

Rifle Men

Air Rifle	1	2	3
3x40	4	5	6
300m Prone	7	8	9
300m 3x40	10	11	12
300m Standard	13	14	15
50m Prone	16	17	18

Rifle Women

Air rifle 60	1	2	3
3x40	4	5	6
300m 3x20	7	8	9
50m Prone	10	11	12
300m Prone	13	14	15

7. CAT Team Selection.

Athletes ranked in the top 3 in each Olympic event in the 2018 WCH Selection will be named to the CAT Team 2018.

To maximize Olympic Quota winning potential at CAT, WCH Olympic quota winners, who are also on the CAT Team, will be replaced in the CAT quota events with the next highest ranked athlete in the CAT Selection unless both quotas in the event have been won at WCH.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. Team slots for Mixed Team events will be selected as follows:
Top finisher in Men's Air Rifle and Air Pistol.
Top finisher in Women's Air Rifle and Air Pistol.

1. In the event of ISSF rules changes for 2018, the above Selection Procedures will be modified to adapt to the changes.
2. All Women's Olympic events at Spring Selection match are adapted to the new ISSF course of fire.