



**ISSF WORLD CUP
RIFLE / PISTOL
FORT BENNING, USA
7 MAY – 15 MAY 2018**

GENERAL INFORMATION

All information is available on the following websites:

www.issf-sports.org

www.usashooting.org

All Preliminary and Final Entries for Athletes and Officials can be done directly online:

<http://entry.issf-sports.info>

1. Invitation

The Invitation is attached to this General Information.

2. Dates and Schedule

Official Arrival	7 MAY 2018
Official / Pre-Event Training	8 MAY 2018
Technical Meeting	8 MAY 2018
Competitions	9 MAY – 14 MAY 2018
Official Departure	15 MAY 2018

The Preliminary Competition Schedule of the ISSF World Cup is attached to this General Information. The Final Competition Schedule (including Training Schedule) will be distributed after the Final Entry Deadline (30 days before the Official Arrival day). The latest Schedule updates will be provided at the Technical Meeting.

3. Rules and Regulations

The ISSF World Cup will be conducted according to the ISSF Rules and Regulations “Edition 2017 – Second Print 01/2018”. Detailed information is available on the ISSF website www.issf-sports.org.

ISSF Juries (Jury of Appeal, Competition Juries, RTS Jury, and Equipment Control Jury) will be designated by the ISSF to supervise the ISSF World Cup. Qualified Range Officers / Referees holding applicable ISSF licenses will conduct the competitions.

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Rifle / Pistol Equipment

Equipment Control will be conducted according to ISSF Rules using approved, calibrated instruments. Pre-competition testing is not mandatory, however, athletes are responsible for competing with legal equipment and clothing. All athletes are urged to submit any doubtful equipment and clothing to Equipment Control for checking before the competition. All athletes are subject to being selected for random post-competition testing and will be disqualified if their equipment or clothing is not legal according to ISSF Rules.

Rifle Clothing

All rifle athletes must have ISSF seals with serial numbers on their jackets and trousers. Any rifle jackets or trousers that do not have ISSF seals must be submitted to Equipment Control for inspection and the affixing of a seal before the athlete's first competition. Jackets and trousers that were previously inspected and have an ISSF seal continue to be valid except that athletes with more than one jacket or trousers must report to Equipment Control before their first competition to confirm which jacket and which trousers they will use. All other seal numbers for that athlete will be cancelled. Athletes that wish to replace a registered jacket or trousers with a new clothing item must bring that item to Equipment Control for inspection and a new seal. Previous seals will then be cancelled. Rifle athletes can have only one active jacket and trousers at any time.

Rifle Clothing Post-Competition Stiffness Testing

If one panel of a rifle jacket or trousers tests 2.9 or lower, the stiffness device must be recalibrated and the panel must be retested. If it fails again, but all other panels pass, the athlete will not be disqualified, but a written warning must be given to the athlete and the ISSF seal must be cut off. The athlete can continue using this clothing for that day in that event. If two or more panels fail, the athlete must be disqualified (DSQ).

Air or CO₂ Cylinders

It is the athlete's responsibility to ensure that any air or CO₂ cylinder is still within its validity date. This may be checked by Equipment Control.

4. Participation

Individual Events

ISSF Member Federations may enter a maximum of three (3) athletes per World Cup event and up to two (2) additional athletes to shoot "out-of-competition" (called MQS Extra in the ISSF Online Registration Service).

The additional "out-of-competition" athletes will be listed separately according to their results, but without ranking – these results cannot be recognized as World Records.

Mixed Team Events

ISSF Member Federations may enter a maximum of two (2) teams consisting of one (1) man and one (1) woman per mixed team event.

America Youth Olympic Games Qualification

Eight (8) Quota Places for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires (ARG) will be awarded according to the YOG Qualification System (two (2) each for 10m Air Rifle Men, 10m Air Rifle Women, 10m Air Pistol Men and 10m Air Pistol Women).

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Only member Federations of the Confederation of the Americas may enter into the separate Youth events.

These Youth events (Qualifications and Finals) are conducted to distribute the YOG Quota Places only. The scores achieved in these events will not be recognized as official ISSF World Cup results and official records. There will be no official ISSF World Cup medals, but commemorative medals for the three (3) winning athletes in each event will be awarded.

Maximum Entry

The maximum number of starts per event is the number of athlete entries that can be accepted for each ISSF World Cup event. Range capacity is determined by the available shooting time and the number of available ranges/firing points.

If the maximum number of starts is reached during the Final Entry process, a “waiting list” for that event(s) will be established. If cancellations are subsequently received, entries from the waiting list will be entered on a first come, first served basis. ISSF Headquarters and the Organizing Committee will cooperate to determine if additional entries from the waiting list can be accommodated.

Men Events	Max. No. of Starts	Women Events	Max. No. of Starts
10m Air Rifle Men	136	10m Air Rifle Women	136
50m Rifle 3 Positions Men	142	50m Rifle 3 Positions W.	142
10m Air Pistol Men	136	10m Air Pistol Women	136
25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men	70	25m Pistol Women	96

Mixed Team Events	Max. No. of Teams
10m Air Rifle Mixed Team	68
10m Air Pistol Mixed Team	68

ISSF ID Number

All athletes must sign an "Athlete's Declaration" and have an official ISSF ID number issued before participation in the ISSF World Cup.

Athletes without ISSF ID number will not be allowed to participate. ISSF ID numbers can be obtained from the ISSF Headquarters by using the official application form.

Athletes, born between 1 January 2000 and 31 December 2003, can achieve Minimum Qualification Score (MQS) for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires (ARG) in the 10m Air Rifle Men/Women and 10m Air Pistol Men/Women events. All results of these athletes, even entered in the World Cup event or entered as additional “out-of-competition”, will be recognized as MQS for the 2018 YOG.

Results obtained during this ISSF World Cup will NOT be recognized as MQS for 2020 Olympic Games Tokyo (JPN).

Athlete biographies will be distributed and photos will be taken.

5. Entry Process

Please complete the attached Registration Forms (Annexes 1 – 9) and return them by the established deadlines.

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Preliminary and Final Entries for Athletes and Officials must be submitted to ISSF Headquarters. Entry Forms are provided, but ISSF Member Federations are urged to use the ISSF Online Registration Service.

All other Registration Forms must be returned to the Organizing Committee (see also: “Summary of Deadlines”).

Preliminary Entries

ISSF Member Federations entering the ISSF World Cup must submit the Preliminary Entries not later than **21 FEB 2018**.

Please use the ISSF Online Registration Service <http://entry.issf-sports.info>, or exceptionally complete the Preliminary Entry Form (Annex 1) and return it by email or fax to the ISSF Headquarters.

Final Entries

ISSF Member Federations must forward their Final Entries directly to the ISSF HQ. The Final Entry Deadline (30 days before the Official Arrival day) is **7 APR 2018**.

Please use the ISSF Online Registration Service <http://entry.issf-sports.info>, or exceptionally complete the Final Entry Forms (Annex 3) and return them by email or fax to the ISSF Headquarters.

Late Entries

If the maximum number of athlete entries have not been reached, late entries will only be accepted until the Late Entry Deadline (3 days before the Official Arrival day) which is **3 MAY 2018**.

Important Note: Until the 3 days Late Entry Deadline, the following changes in the Final Entries are possible without restriction and additional fees:

- a) Change of names / athletes within an event
- b) Change of Status (World Cup athlete ↔ “out-of-competition” athlete) within an event.

Any additional entries received after the Late Entry Deadline, from **4 MAY 2018** onwards, may not participate.

Entry Confirmation upon arrival

All Team Leaders of ISSF Member Federation Delegations must report to the OC Entries Official and confirm their Final Entries. The confirmation must be completed before 12:00h on the day before the Pre-Event Training.

Entry Changes after the Late Entry Deadline

From **4 MAY 2018** onwards, only the following changes in the Final Entries are permitted:

- a) Replacement of a registered athlete by another already registered athlete in another event can be made only before 12:00h on the day before the Pre-Event Training for that event.
- b) Change of Status in an event: an “out-of-competition” athlete can replace a withdrawn “World Cup” athlete. The withdrawn “World Cup” athlete may not shoot “out-of-competition”. The exchange of athletes within an event is not permitted.

Cancellation

Any ISSF Member Federation that reduces the number of athletes listed in their Final Entries after the Final Entry Deadline (**7 APR 2018**) must pay applicable entry fees and hotel room cancellation costs according to the number of athletes and entries on the Final Entry Forms originally received. If the applicable fees and costs are not paid, no member of that federation may participate.



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Entry Fee

The entry fees include all charges for registration, local transportation between shooting range and official hotels and doping control.

Fee	Description
EUR 170.00	Final Entry Fee per athlete / per event
EUR 170.00	Final Entry Fee per mixed team
EUR 50.00	Final Entry Fee per official
EUR 50.00	Additional Late Entry Fee per athlete/mixed team / per event
EUR 170.00	Cancellation Fee per athlete/mixed team / per event
EUR 150.00	Final Entry Fee per athlete / per Youth event (CAT only)
EUR 75.00	Additional Late Entry Fee per athlete / per Youth event (CAT only)
EUR 150.00	Cancellation Fee per athlete / per Youth event (CAT only)

Payment of Entry Fees

Payments may be made in either American Dollar (USD) or Euro (EUR). The exchange rate of Euro (EUR) to/from American Dollar (USD) will be determined by the Inscription personnel at current international exchange rates. No other currency will be accepted. Money can be exchanged at the Atlanta Hartsfield Airport but the exchange rate and fees are very unfavorable. Money **cannot** be exchanged at Columbus – Fort Benning, Georgia. Valid credit cards will be accepted plus a 4% transaction fee. When transferring money, please be sure to **clearly** identify which country or federation is submitting the payment.

American Dollar (USD):

Zions Bank
(For the benefit of Vectra Bank, 111 S. Tejon Street, Suite 103, Colorado Springs, CO 80903)
Swift: ZFNBUS55
Routing #: 102003154
Account #: 4470038021

Euro (EUR):

Bank Hypo Vereinsbank Munich
Kardinal-Faulhaber-Str.1
80333 Munich, Germany
SWIFT/BIC: HYVEDEMMXXX
IBAN: DE39700202700015381214
Account: 15381214
BLZ 700 202 70

Accreditation Process

All persons involved in the ISSF World Cup (Athletes, Team Officials, ISSF Officials, OC Officials, Media Persons) must have accreditations that clearly identify the accreditation holder (with photograph, family name and first name, nation and function) in order to use the local transportation and to enter controlled areas on the shooting range.

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Accreditations (for persons registered before the Late Entry Deadline and who have a photograph in the ISSF database) will be prepared by the ISSF Headquarters and Organizing Committee. All other accreditations will be prepared by the Accreditation Office of the ISSF World Cup. Accreditations and BIB Numbers will be distributed by the Organizing Committee after payment of the entry fees.

6. Shooting Range

The ISSF World Cup will take place at the Shooting Range of the United States Army Marksmanship Unit at Fort Benning in Columbus, Georgia, USA.

Address:

Shooting Range of the United States Army Marksmanship Unit Fort Benning
Bldg. 1293
7730 Alamo Rd
Ft. Benning
GA 31905
USA

Rifle/Pistol

The shooting range is equipped as follows:

Range	Description
50m range	77 firing points, electronic targets, SIUS AG
25m range	40 firing points (8 groups); electronic targets, SIUS AG
10m hall	72 firing points, electronic targets, SIUS AG
Finals hall	10 firing points (50m/10m), 15 firing points (25m), electronic targets, SIUS AG

The firing direction of the 50m and 25m range is south.

7. Immigration and Customs Requirements

Each athlete who brings a firearm and ammunition into the United States of America must have an approved firearms permit from the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Department, (BATFE) to enter the United States and clear customs. This is a requirement for entry in to the United States with firearms! A copy of the AFT Form 6 NIA is on the ISSF website. Make **one** copy for each shooter who will attend, complete each form and either fax or email the forms to USA Shooting **as soon as possible**. USA Shooting will submit your forms to BATFE and return via email or fax to your federation when approved. **Approval may take thirty (60) days**. The ATF Form 6NIA is also available on the USA Shooting website located at www.usashooting.com. Click on "Events" on the left side of the home page, then click on "2018 USA World Cups" and find the BATFE Form 6. The forms are also attached to this packet. All firearm permits will incur at USD 50.00 fee, including an additional USD 40.00 fee for any changes. The fee can be paid in advance or at the time of registration. Email your completed BATFE forms to usaworldcup@usashooting.org.

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Those countries that require USA VISAS should submit applications to the USA Embassy at least three months in advance of travel. Some applicants will be asked to give personal interviews which will require advance appointments. Countries needing assistance should contact USA Shooting as early as possible with the list of names of their delegation and email contact address or fax number of the US Embassy in their country. Each request must be accompanied by a color copy of EACH person's passport needing a letter of support.

8. Accommodations

Official Hotels

1. Marriott Downtown

800 Front Avenue, Columbus, GA 31901

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/csgmc-columbus-marriott/>

USD 200.00

2. Fairfield

4510 Armour Rd, Columbus, GA 31904

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/csgfi-fairfield-inn-and-suites-columbus/?scid=bb1a189a-fec3-4d19-a255-54ba596febe2>

USD 155.00

3. Hampton North

7390 Bear Lane, Columbus, GA 31909

<http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/georgia/hampton-inn-columbus-north-CSGNOHX/index.html>

USD 155.00

4. Double Tree

5351 Sidney Simons Blvd, Columbus, GA 31904

<http://doubletree3.hilton.com/en/hotels/georgia/doubletree-by-hilton-hotel-columbus-CSGDTDT/index.html>

USD 180.00

Food Service at the Shooting Range

A lunch service as well as drinks and snack items will be available daily at Pool Range Complex.

9. Travel and Transportation

Travel – Arrival

We recommend all participants arrive and depart from Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport. The Organizing Committee will provide transportation for USD 125.00 round-trip per person from the Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport to the official hotels in Columbus, Georgia, beginning on **5 MAY 2018**. Bus transportation to Atlanta for return trips will begin **10 MAY 2018**. If travel information is provided to the Organizing Committee, a representative will be at the Atlanta Hartsfield Airport baggage claim to greet your delegation.

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The Fort Benning military installation is closed to the public. Entry to Fort Benning is only done so with official transportation by the Organizing Committee. USA Shooting is NOT authorized to permit access onto Fort Benning for participants driving rental vehicles. If you do not use the official transportation service, you will not get on base.

The U.S. Government will run a background check on everyone entering the base. You will need to carry your passport at all times.

Airport pick up – Transportation to the Official Hotels (and return for departure)

Those arriving at the airport and who paid the transportation fee of USD 125.00 per person will be greeted at baggage claim and directed in the correct area to pick up transportation. The airport is located 120 kilometers from the city of Columbus where the ranges are located. USA Shooting will have multiple representatives at the airport.

Local Transportation – Shuttle Service

Local transportation will be provided between the Fort Benning shooting ranges and **THE OFFICIAL HOTELS ONLY**. A schedule will be published in each hotel lobby with exact times of departures to the range and back. Please check the designated area in the lobby daily for this information.

10. Competition Related Procedures at the Shooting Range

Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting will take place on **8 MAY 2018**, at the Finals hall.

Each participating ISSF Member Federation is kindly requested to have at least one representative present at the Technical Meeting to receive updated information regarding Final Competition and Training Schedules, competition procedures and other important issues related to the ISSF World Cup. The time of the meeting will be confirmed after the Final Entry Deadline.

Storage of Firearms and Ammunition

Gun storage will be provided conveniently at the Pool Range Complex (50m range). Firearms will not be transported to and from the hotels. A storage space will be provided for equipment bags and ammunition at the shooting ranges.

Ammunition

Smallbore (.22 cal.) Eley ammunition and .177 match pellets will be available at the range for purchase. The price is to be determined given availability. It is suggested that the federation notify us early.

Doping Control Tests

The Organizing Committee will conduct Doping Control Tests according to the ISSF Anti-Doping Rules and the ISSF Test Distribution Plan 2018 under the supervision of the ISSF Technical Delegate.

11. Ceremonies

Opening and Closing Ceremony

There will be a small ceremony.



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Victory Ceremony

Victory Ceremonies will take place at the Awards Pavilion shortly after the Final or the Finals Hall depending on weather and timing (see also: Final Competition Schedule).

During the ceremonies, the athletes who receive awards are required to present themselves in their official national uniform or national tracksuits (tops and bottoms).

Flags and Anthems

Federations must bring with them their national anthem and flag. Please provide the national anthem either in a CD format or on a USB drive. All federations will be required to confirm their national anthem is correct upon registration as well as their flag.

12. Weather Information

The weather in Columbus, Georgia, USA in May is normally pleasant with slight chance of rain and high humidity. Temperatures average at a high of 84 Fahrenheit (29°C) to a low of 62 Fahrenheit (16°C) this time of year.

13. Media Relations

All Media representatives must register for the ISSF World Cup by using the Media Accreditation Form (Annex 9).

Media Contact: Kevin Neuendorf (Kevin.Neuendorf@usashooting.org)

All Finals will be covered by ISSF TV and will be displayed on the ISSF website www.issf-sports.org.

14. Industry Service

Manufacturers and firearm services are welcome and will be provided an area to service airguns and firearms with their location to be determined upon approval from the U.S. Government. To request vendor space, please contact Pete Carson at +1-719-866-4897 or by email at pete.carson@usashooting.org.

Vendors will be charged a fee based upon their length of setup at this ISSF World Cup. Those providing service only will not be charged a fee.

15. Annexes

All necessary Registration Forms are attached to this General Information.



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16. Summary of Deadlines

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17. Social and Cultural Activities

Columbus, GA has multiple stores available for shopping. Please check with your hotel front desk attendant for specific locations, brands and store hours. Your hotel will also be able to provide information for specific events around the area.

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