January 15, 2016

Dear Potential State Junior Olympic Sponsor,

We are now accepting 2016 state host applications. If you are interested in hosting a State Junior Olympic Shotgun event please complete the enclosed paperwork.

All applications and match programs must be received by February 19, 2016. Please use the sample program provided in this packet to ensure accuracy. State hosts will be chosen based on geography, prior USAS involvement, club facilities and each club’s mission for grassroots development of the sport. One club or organization, who must be a current USAS member, within each state will be awarded the state JO host title. In some instances, due to state size, more than one location within a state will be awarded the title of state JO host. In this instance a state coordinator will be appointed by USAS, as all scores will be submitted by the state coordinator.

All state Junior Olympic matches are to be held between March 4, 2016 and June 6, 2016. All clubs will be notified by email as to whether or not their application was selected. The National Junior Olympic Shotgun Championships will take place in Colorado Springs, Colorado June 13 - 19, 2016. Please note that these dates are subject to change and that all invitations will be sent electronically.

Please read through the entire packet carefully. Changes have been made to the 2016 program. If there are any questions about the sanctioning process or the enclosed information, please feel free to contact me at 719-866-4882 or by e-mail at alex.szablewski@usashooting.org.

Sincerely,

Alex Szablewski

Alex Szablewski
Competitions/Events Coordinator
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CONDUCTING A STATE JUNIOR OLYMPIC MATCH

- Send in your application and match program to USA Shooting by **February 19, 2016**. Applications will be evaluated and approved in the order in which they arrive.

- All 2016 State Junior Olympic Shotgun matches must be held between **March 4, 2016 and June 6, 2016**.

- If selected as a host, please make sure you have received confirmation from USAS along with any pins or medals for the competition prior to holding your match. USA Shooting will provide gold, silver, and bronze medals for the first, second and third place RESIDENT individuals in each event for each state conducting Junior Olympic matches. Pins are given one per participant. All clubs must be current USAS members as well as all competitors must be current USAS members.

- Conduct the competition strictly by the 2016 edition of USA Shooting rules (always have a rulebook on hand). The only exception is Double Trap which may be shot under the old rules if you’re unable to acquire the new chip. 2016 NJOSC Double Trap rules will be run under the new rules. You may contact Alex Szablewski about the acquisition of a chip if you’re interested. Rules can be found on our website, [www.usashooting.org](http://www.usashooting.org), under the Resources tab.

- State JO matches may be held separately for skeet, trap and/or double trap. All competitors must participate in a state qualifying match in order to be considered for eligibility to the National Junior Olympic Championships (NJOSC). Scores from other matches, such as PTO’s, will not be accepted. A shooter may compete in an alternative state than their state of residence, but they will not be eligible for state awards.

- Explain all match procedures to all competitors before the match starts.

- Please make sure each competitor for each discipline completes the entry form and signs off on their score.

- Award ceremonies should be held as soon as possible so all competitors will be able to attend.

- Wobble/Bunker Trap: USAS will continue to allow the use of wobble traps

- Please remember why you were selected as a state JO host. A State Junior Olympic match allows juniors the opportunity to qualify for an invitation to the National Junior Olympic Shooting Championships. All competitors deserve an equal opportunity to qualify. This should be an enjoyable experience, promoting sportsmanship and providing a learning experience for all shooters. Be sure to encourage your competitors to ask questions and push themselves to shoot their best.
Shooting Clinic: A to be determined shooting clinic will be held this year for anyone interested. The clinic will be run by Jay Waldron, Shotgun Coach USA Shooting, and may feature some National Team residents. The exact shotgun discipline(s) involved and date are still TBD but an update will be provided as soon as one becomes available. This is a great opportunity to learn from some of the best competitive shooters in the world.

If you have any questions or concerns please call Alex Szablewski in the Competitions office at 719-866-4882 or send him an email at alex.szablewski@usashooting.org.

FEE REPORTING AND SUBMITTING SCORES

To be e-mailed:

**Electronic results:** An electronic results sheet will be made available on the Competitions-National Junior Olympics Program page of the USA Shooting website for match directors to report final match scores. **Only** the official 2016 SG NJOSC Score Reporting Form will be accepted, all others will be rejected. Please email the spreadsheet to Alex Szablewski at alex.szablewski@usashooting.org. Invitations to the NJOSC will not be made unless electronic results are received.

**All State Junior Olympic participants MUST HAVE BEEN BORN IN 1996 OR LATER. All participants must be USA Shooting members.** No exceptions. Do not submit scores for anyone who is not eligible, as they will not be accepted. To become a member visit our website at [http://usashooting.org/membership.php](http://usashooting.org/membership.php) or call Amber Aragon at 719-866-4743.

In order to be eligible for awards, all competitors in a state JO match must have residency within that state. Residency is defined as to where the competitor holds a current and valid driver’s license. If the competitor does not have a drivers license, residency is then defined as to where the competitor’s parents/guardians reside. A shooter may compete as a non-resident in a state JO to qualify for the National Junior Olympic Championships; however, he or she will not be eligible for state awards.

All Match Directors are responsible for submitting and entering their scores to Railstation. There is an upload spreadsheet and information on how to do this available on our website here: [http://www.usashooting.org/7-events/score-reporting-forms](http://www.usashooting.org/7-events/score-reporting-forms)

Only U.S. Citizens will be eligible for medals at both the state JOSC and the NJOSC.

**Please do not fax forms:** do keep them on file for six months. The competitor completes the top of the paper entry form, and the sponsor must fill in the score and number of shots at the bottom of the form (please write legibly). Make copies of the entry form for all of your competitors for you to retain.

All electronic results are to be emailed to Alex Szablewski at alex.szablewski@usashooting.org.
• If you do not know how to fill in the information on the excel spreadsheet, please call us immediately. We will walk you through it. Please do not wait until the date of your match to ask for assistance.

• We expect all USAS official JO hosts to be responsible in efficiently and effectively reporting all necessary information in a timely manner. **PLEASE CALL WITH ANY PROBLEMS YOU MAY HAVE.** We will not call state hosts to remind them of their responsibilities or to track down information not received. Please follow up either by email or phone after your documents have been submitted to receive confirmation.

• Course of Fire: The course of fire is 125 consecutive targets (trap and skeet) and 150 consecutive targets for double trap. If additional finals are shot, the scores will not be used to determine USAS awards or invitations to the NJOSC. If additional targets are shot, only the first 125 targets are to be submitted for consideration to the NJOSC.

• The USA Shooting National Junior Olympic Shotgun Championships will be held in Colorado Springs, CO. Housing will not be available at the Olympic Training Center.

• Schedule: (please note the below schedule is subject to change)

| 2016 National Junior Olympic Shooting Championships (Schedule Tentative) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| June 11 | June 12 | June 13 | June 14 | June 15 | June 16 | June 17 | June 18 |
| **Saturday** | **Sunday** | **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** | **Saturday** |
| Open Training | Open Training | Trap OTR | Trap | Trap Final | Skeet OTR DT OTR | Skeet DT Final | Skeet Final |
INVITATION PROCESS FOR 2016

In order to ensure we have space for all competitors, USAS has moved to a cut-off score process.

An automatic invitation will be given to anyone who competes in a Double Trap or Skeet State JO match.

All members of the Junior Olympic Shotgun Team and National Junior Shotgun Team will receive an automatic invite.

USAS will also have open slots that are available to anyone who has hit the required cut-off score for Trap. These slots will be filled on a first come first serve basis, with registration done via Rail Station (USAS’ online registration program). Registration opening and closing dates will be announced under the National Junior Olympic Program tab in plenty of time for shooters to be prepared for signing up. This will allow for fast, efficient and effective communication to take place with all those interested in attending.

Beyond the open slots, a waiting list will be formed for those who did not qualify in any of the above processes’. The waiting list will also be a first come first serve signup process as well.

2016 National Junior Olympic Cut-Off Scores

Trap Women - 75
Trap Men – 75
Skeet Women – Open to all (UNTIL FILLED)
Skeet Men – Open to all (UNTIL FILLED)
Double Trap – Open to all (UNTIL FILLED)
Should you have questions regarding your competition program or another aspect of the Championship, contact the Competitions Division of USA Shooting at 719-866-4882. We will be glad to assist you in any way possible to make your tournament more successful.

(enter your state name above)

STATE USA SHOOTING JUNIOR OLYMPIC

(Trap, Double Trap, Skeet)

CHAMPIONSHIP

Wobble____________  Bunker____________

(Please designate for trap only)

SANCTIONED BY:  USA Shooting, 1 Olympic Plaza, Colorado Springs, CO 80909

SPONSORING ORGANIZATION: ________________________________  USAS Club #.____________

CONTACT:

NAME:  ______________________________________________________

PHONE:  _____________________________________________________

EMAIL:  ______________________________________________________

DATES:  ______________________________________________________

LOCATION:  __________________________________________________

(city & state)

ELIGIBILITY:  This competition is open to all competitors born in 1996 or later. All competitors must be individual members of USA Shooting.

RESIDENCE:  Each competitor may claim residence in only one state and must declare the state of residence on the entry form. Residency is defined as to where the competitor holds a current and valid driver’s license. If the competitor does not have a drivers license, residency is then defined as to where the competitor’s parents/guardians reside. A shooter may compete as a non-resident in a state JO to qualify for the National Junior Olympic Championships; however, he or she will not be eligible for state awards. Residents are eligible for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place USA Shooting State Champion medallions. Non-residents may compete for automatic invitations to the National Championship and are encouraged to do so.

Invitations to NJOSC:  All other competitors will be eligible to sign up provided they hit the cut-off score.
ENTRY: Athletes may shoot in more than one state championship, but only the scores from the first state match will be accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS. State hosts must be notified by the shooter prior to the match if they have already competed in a state championship. Juniors from states which are not holding a state JOSC and those who cannot attend their own state JOSC will be allowed to enter the non-resident division in another state. At entry, non-resident juniors must declare that they are shooting for a non-resident invitation.

CATEGORIES: The following categories will be used for individual competition:
J1- age 18-20, competitors born from 1996-1998
J2- age 15-17, competitors born from 1999-2001
J3- age 14 & under, competitors born in 2002 or later.

RULES: 2016 USA Shooting Rules will govern all State JOs.

COURSE OF FIRE: 125 targets for trap and skeet. 150 targets for double trap.

TARGETS: International Targets are preferred

COACHING: Coaching will not be permitted on the station.

TIES: All ties will be broken in accordance with USA Shooting Rules.

FINALS: Finals are allowed for practice only and will not be used to determine state winners or invitations to the NJOSC.

PARTICIPANT PINS: A Junior Olympic participation pin provided by USA Shooting will be given to each competitor (provided pins are requested by the sponsor).

AWARDS: Provided by USA Shooting – USA Shooting will provide gold, silver and bronze medals for the first, second and third place resident male and female individuals in each event for all states conducting a State JO match. Pins will be provided at one pin per competitor per state match (not per event).

Provided by the Sponsoring Organization to USA Shooting –

MAKE ENTRY: The official JO entry forms are to be filled out completely (including EMAIL) and signed by the competitor to be considered for invitation to the National JOSC. LEGIBLE handwriting is required. If we cannot read your handwriting you may not receive your invitation.

ENTRY FEES: A USA Shooting registration fee of $10.00 per individual, per event will be charged.

Total individual entry fee $________________
ENTRIES CLOSE:  Advance entries will close ________________. Entries from all state residents received prior to the closing date will be accepted to range capacity. Every effort will be made to accept all non-resident competitors who enter before the closing date.

POST ENTRIES:  Entries made after the closing date will be accepted up to range capacity. A post entry fee may be charged.

CANCELLATIONS:  Cancellations received one week in advance, or earlier, will receive a full refund. An additional refund schedule may be used.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

DIRECTIONS TO RANGE:
APPLICATION TO CONDUCT A USA SHOOTING JUNIOR OLYMPIC COMPETITION
(Must be accompanied by a match program)
Due February 19, 2016

NAME OF CLUB ______________________ USAS CLUB # ____________

COMPETITION NAME __________________________
(name of your state and Junior Olympic match)

DATES ____________________ ALT. DATES ____________________

CITY & STATE OF TOURNAMENT __________________________

TRAP ________ SKEET ________ DOUBLE TRAP ________

(Please designate for Trap only) Bunker ________ Wobble ________

Match Director: ______________________________

Submitted by: ______________________________

Address: ____________________________________

City/State/Zip: ______________________________

Phone/Fax: ______________________________

The following information will be listed in the Upcoming Events section

Contact Person: ______________________________

Email Address: ______________________________

Phone / Fax: ______________________________
IF ACCEPTED FOR USA SHOOTING SANCTIONING, WE THE SPONSORING ORGANIZATION, AND USA SHOOTING, AGREE TO FOLLOW THE GENERAL REGULATIONS GOVERNING COMPETITIONS AS PUBLISHED IN ALL CURRENT RULE BOOKS.

Applications and programs for competitions should be received a minimum of 20 days in advance of the competition date in order to be sanctioned. In order to be listed in the Upcoming Events section of USA Shooting’s monthly publication, applications and programs must be received by the USA Shooting Competitions Division by the first of the month, two months before the month of issue.

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING LIABILITY WHILE CONDUCTING USA SHOOTING COMPETITIONS OR OTHER ACTIVITIES – To insure competitive shooting activities are conducted with the highest degree of care for the safety of all participants, spectators, and the general public, it is the sole and exclusive responsibility of the USA Shooting sanctioned competition sponsor and the participating competitors to rigidly enforce all USA Shooting official competition rules and regulations, all local range regulations, and specific range official instructions. USA Shooting makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, that the official rules and regulations, even if carefully observed, are sufficient in themselves to provide conditions and procedures which insure adequate safety precautions, or that other persons shall properly interpret or enforce such rules. By sanctioning an event, USA Shooting makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, that the person conducting any sanctioned competition or the owners, tenants or licensees or the premises upon which such event is conducted, shall provide a shooting range and associated facilities which are reasonably safe, or that such persons shall prescribe and enforce local range rules adequate to provide reasonable safety and to control the activities of any person or persons. As a condition of registering any competition, the sponsor, together with its agents, servants, employees and members, agree that USA Shooting, its agents, servants, successors and assigns, shall be held harmless for any injury or damage to persons or property occurring either on the premises where the tournament takes place or as a result of such activity on the premises, unless caused by or resulting from the negligence of a USA Shooting employee or officer while properly engaged in the discharge of USA Shooting official business on the premises during the approved or registered activity or event.

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USA SHOOTING STATE JUNIOR OLYMPIC
SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

PARTICIPATION PIN REQUEST FORM
Due February 19, 2016

RETURN TO: USA SHOOTING
COMPETITIONS
1 OLYMPIC PLAZA
COLORADO SPRINGS, CO 80909

THE PINS ARE THE SAME FOR ALL EVENTS.

PLEASE DO NOT ORDER MORE PINS THAN ARE NEEDED FOR YOUR MATCH!!!

ORDER ONE PIN PER COMPETITOR – NOT ONE PIN PER EVENT ENTERED.

GRAND TOTAL NUMBER OF PINS REQUESTED: ________________________________

THESE ARE FOR THE STATE OF __________________________________________

THESE ARE FOR THE FOLLOWING EVENT(S) ________________________________

________________________________________

________________________________________

PLEASE SEND MY PINS TO:

NAME: ______________________________________________________________

ADDRESS: __________________________________________________________

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____________________________________________________
COMPETITOR- PRINT CLEARLY ALL INFORMATION IN BOX

COMPETITOR’S NAME ___________________________________________________________

STREET ADDRESS ____________________________________________________________

CITY/ STATE/ ZIP _____________________________________________________________

PHONE (_____)______-__________

EMAIL ADDRESS _____________________________________________________________

MATCH LOCATION & DATE _______________________________________________________

BIRTHDATE (REQUIRED) ___________________________ MALE / FEMALE
(CIRCLE ONE)

USA SHOOTING DETERMINES YOUR AGE CATEGORY BASED ON YOUR YEAR OF BIRTH.
YOU WILL BE CLASSIFIED FOR THE 2010 NJOSC AS FOLLOWS:

J1 (18-20) J2 (15-17) J3 (14 & UNDER)

I AM DECLARING RESIDENCE IN THE STATE OF: ___________________________

I AM SHOOTING FOR: (must circle entry division)

1. Resident 2. Non-Resident

COMPETITOR’S CERTIFICATION: I certify that I have indicated my correct year of birth, correct entry division
and that I am a USA Shooting member. This is my first State JO Match of
the year and these will be the only scores submitted on my behalf for
qualification to the NJOSC.

X_________________________ USAS Membership #_________________

Exp. Date __________________________

SPONSOR – Please check above information for readability, complete the information
below and forward to USA Shooting. You must use a separate entry form for
each event.

EVENT____________________________ # OF TARGET_________________

INDIVIDUAL SCORE________________________________________________________

LOCATION OF TOURNAMENT_________________________________________________
If a membership needs to be added or renewed, you may do so online here:

http://www.usashooting.org/membership/45-everyone/newmembership