

2019 TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES NATIONAL TEAMS

Paralympic

A. ELIGIBILITY

1. To be eligible for selection to the Paralympic National Team (PNT) or Paralympic Development Team (PNDT), an individual must be a/an:
 - a. U.S. Citizen
 - b. Member of USA Shooting in good standing
 - c. Active athlete in the sport by training and/or competitions
 - i. Shoot in at least one (1) competition in the previous six (6) months, barring document injury or illness
 - ii. Attend a USA Shooting camp in the previous six (6) months, barring document injury or illness
 - iii. Possess a current training plan agreed upon by the PNT Head Coach
 - d. Meet International Paralympic Committee (IPC), United States Olympic Committee (USOC), and World Shooting Para Sports (WSPS) eligibility criteria for the Paralympic Games, Parapan American Games, and WSPS sanctioned international competitions.
2. All PNT/PNDT members must sign and abide by the current USA Shooting Code of Conduct, as well as honor code, including annexes and sign the Athlete's Agreement and Liability Release form as approved by USA Shooting. The USAS documents must be signed as presented and may not be modified.

B. DEFINITIONS

1. PNT—Paralympic National Team: Members are the top US athletes considered to be at the skill level needed to medal at WSPS World level competitions.
2. PNDT—Paralympic National Development Team: Members are athletes that are working towards the skill level needed to compete and medal at WSPS World Level competitions.

C. TRAINING TERM

1. Any athlete selected to the PNT/PNDT during a calendar year will be named to the team at the next USASNC and will remain a member of the team until the corresponding USASNC of the following year.
2. Athletes will not be selected to team in non-Paralympic events in 2019 nor 2020.

3. The term of an athlete qualifying for or selected to the PNT/PNDT for a specific competition will expire at the conclusion of that competition. However, if they meet the requirements in Section D, they will remain a member of the team.

D. SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR PARALYMPIC NATIONAL TEAM

Regular members of the Paralympic National Team shall be selected from the results in the events specified below. Any athlete qualifying for more than one position occupies those positions. Athletes will be selected to the PNT upon completion of one of the following achievements:

- 1) Acquire a minimum PSS
 - a) Must be achieved in a WSPS sanctioned event, USA Shooting sanctioned Olympic or Paralympic selection match, USA Shooting National Championships (USASNC), USAS Winter Airgun, Robert Mitchell Rifle Championships or a corresponding Pistol competition approved by National Team coach.
 - b) The event does not require at least eight (8) competitors.
- 2) Medal at a WSPS World Cup or Grand Prix event
 - a) Athletes must shoot a 2020 Paralympic Games MQS
 - b) The event must include at least eight (8) competitors.
- 3) Make the finals at 2019 World Championships
 - a) Athletes at this event will not be required to shoot an MQS or PSS.
 - b) The event must include at least eight (8) competitors.

E. SELECTION PROCEDURE FOR PARALYMPIC NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEAM (PNDT)

Regular members of the Paralympic National Development Team shall be selected from the results in the events specified below. Any athlete qualifying for more than one position occupies those positions. Athletes will be selected to the PNDT upon completion of one of the following achievements:

- 1) Athletes earning berths on World Cup or World Championship Teams through trials or appointment and not meeting the PSS required for PNT.
- 2) Athletes shooting a minimum 2020 Tokyo MQS score at World Cup, Grand Prix or World Championships.

F. PARALYMPIC NATIONAL TEAM POLICY

- 1) The Paralympic National Team may consist of an "A" squad and a "B" squad for each discipline. Initially, all members of the PNT will be selected to the "A" squad. Any "A" squad member may be moved to the "B" squad at any time by recommendation of the coach and action of the Director of Operations and with the final approval of the Executive Director as a result of disciplinary action for any and all code of conduct violations.

- 2) “B” squad members will not receive further support except at the recommendation of the National Coach and approval by the Director of Operations.
- 3) National Team members must participate in the training and competition activities established by the National Coach staff. All shooters selected to the PNT or PNDT will work with the National Coach staff in creating and executing a training program designed to produce acceptable progress toward maximum performance. Failure of the Team member to do so may result in reduction or suspension of support.
- 4) Para National team will be given a National Team Jacket along with an assortment of team shirts to be used during competitions.

G. PERFORMANCE STANDARD SCORES (PSS)

PSS represent the score typically needed to qualify for Finals in WSPS competitions, and are listed in Appendix A.

- 1) PSS scores are determined by the following:
 - a) The average minimum score to make Finals in each event at the competitions listed below:
 - i) 2016 Rio Paralympic Games
 - ii) 2017 WC UAE
 - iii) 2017 WC Thailand
 - iv) 2018 WC UAE
 - v) 2018 WCH Korea
 - vi) 2018 WC France

H. FUNDING

PNT

Members of the PNT will be funded to WSPS competitions, provided they are eligible and qualified for the competition(s). All trips are budget dependent.

PNDT

Funding to WSPS competitions for members of the PNDT is budget-dependent and may be available on a case by case basis. Amounts awarded are discretionary. If funding is available, it will be prioritized as follows:

- 1) Athletes will be ranked according to their High-Performance Percentage Score (HPPS). The HPPS is calculated by dividing an athlete’s personal record score from selection competitions by an average of the best score shot in WSPS events, and then multiplying by 100 to get a percentage.
 - a) Eligible personal record competitions
 - i) 2016 Paralympic Games
 - ii) 2019 USASNC
 - iii) 2019 World Cups
 - iv) 2018 USASNC, World Cups, World Championships.
 - b) Competitions used to determine average high scores

- i) 2016 Rio Paralympic Games
- ii) 2017 WC UAE
- iii) 2017 WC Thailand
- iv) 2018 WC UAE
- v) 2018 WCH Korea
- vi) 2018 WC France
- c) Average high scores by event
 - i) Rifle
 - (1) R1 – 622.8
 - (2) R2 – 620.0
 - (3) R3 – 637.3
 - (4) R4 – 633.8
 - (5) R5 – 637.7
 - (6) R6 – 622.2
 - (7) R7 – 1165.5
 - (8) R8 – 1158.3
 - (9) R9 – 618.3
 - ii) Pistol
 - (1) P1 - 574.3
 - (2) P2 – 564.2
 - (3) P3 – 575.7

I. NATIONAL TEAM POLICY

1. The National Team may consist of an “A” squad and a “B” squad for each discipline. Initially, all members of the NT will be selected to the “A” squad. Any “A” squad member may be moved to the “B” squad at any time by recommendation of the coach and action of the Director of Operations and with the final approval of the Executive Director based on the following criteria:

1. Lack of progress in demonstrated performance
2. Attitude
3. Failure to attend required activities
4. Code of Conduct violation

2. “B” squad members will not receive further support except at the recommendation of the National Coach and approval by the Director of Operations.

3. National Team members must participate in the training and competition activities established by the National Coach staff. All shooters selected to the NTT, NT, NDT, NJT or NJDT will work with the National Coach staff in creating and executing a training program designed to produce acceptable progress toward maximum performance. Failure of the Team member to do so may result in reduction or suspension of support.

APPENDIX A
2019 PERFORMANCE STANDARD SCORES (PSS)

RIFLE

R1 – 611.8
R2 – 603.0
R3 - 630.8
R4 – 626.7
R5 – 632.4
R6 – 614.6
R7 – 1131.9
R8 – 1110.4
R9 – 609.4

PISTOL

P1 – 558.4
P2 – 536.4
P3 – 549.6
P4 – 522.8