

March 25, 2019

### **Notice of PSS Suspension**

The USA Shooting Board of Directors and staff are focused on supporting our athletes and winning on the world stage. In keeping with this mission, **the USA Shooting (USAS) Board of Directors has voted to fully fund all in-competition athlete slots (not MQS) in ISSF World Cups after March 25, 2019 through the rest of 2019.** The complete list of affected dates/matches will be posted shortly.

*This policy will not affect any Paralympic competitions or qualification. The United States Olympic Committee requested that PSS scores be requirements of the Paralympic program. Also, this policy will not impact the ISSF Junior World Cup.*

We hope this move will help athletes who have or will earn the honor to represent the USA Shooting at these competitions to do so without the personal financial burden of overseas airfare and lodging. I will also form a task force made up of athletes from each discipline, the elected athlete representatives, USA Shooting head coaches and key USAS staff to develop a policy to win at the world level.

I have also initiated a campaign to raise the funds earmarked for athlete travel to these World Cups and support future resources needed to include our Paralympic athletes. I look forward to the days ahead of USA Shooting and please know that your Board of Directors, CEO and the rest of the staff are behind you and support you.

Sincerely,

Chad Whittenburg

Chairman, USA Shooting Board of Directors