

USA SHOOTING TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES
2019 WORLD CUPS – SHOTGUN

A. GENERAL

The 2019 World Cup Teams will be selected from the top-scoring U.S. citizens under this USA Shooting Policy and Procedure.

3. Athletes selected to the Team 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. Athletes must hold a current passport that does not expire for six months following the championship. Passports are the responsibility of the athlete. USAS will obtain any required visas.
4. Team members will be selected on the basis of trials performance. There will be no subjective selection unless stated and detailed in procedures outlined below.
5. All athletes must sign and abide by the current USA Shooting Code of Conduct dated and USOC Code of Conduct as may be applicable. No alterations to the Code(s) of Conduct are permitted.
6. Athletes will occupy the Team position(s) they earn. Team positions will not be filled by non-firing athletes. Team members may be selected in Open and Junior categories as provided by ISSF Official Statutes Rules and Regulations as well as the Organizing Committee program.
7. Athletes qualifying for non-Olympic events are fully self-funded. Self-funded athletes are required to adhere to applicable Team policies including training and travel as established by the Team leadership. An advance payment of expenses will be required.
8. In the event an athlete voluntarily withdraws from the Team due to illness, injury or other reason or is removed by a USAS or USOC medical staff member, the next eligible athlete from the team selection process is added to the team. When replacement from the team occurs within 14 days of that athlete's competition, the slot will only be filled by members already on the team if applicable, or the position left unfilled, due to international travel and administrative requirements. This time may be extended as dictated by visa requirements.
9. This USA Shooting Team will normally be comprised of a full team comprised of the maximum number of athletes permitted by the IOC, ISSF and/or Organizing Committee. Due to budget constraints or other criteria determined by the USAS Board of Directors, team size may be limited if so determined 60 days before the first event competition.
10. All selected athletes are required to meet current Performance Score criteria in the event for which they are selected with the exception of the Olympic, Pan American Games and World Championships. See Policies and Procedures, Section VI, Performance Standards. The locations, dates and programs for events where authorized Performance Standard Scores may be earned will be published a minimum of 90 days prior to the start of the competition.

11. All Team positions earned must be accepted or declined within 24 hours of the end of the final selection competition for the related event. Self-funding slots, if offered or applicable, must be accepted or declined within 24 hours of the offer and any required deposit for team travel must be received at USAS within 10 business days.
12. 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 USA Shooting's Director of Operations or designated Technical Delegate who is the final authority.
13. Athletes must adhere to all IOC, WADA, ISSF, USADA and USOC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the IOC, WADA, ISSF, USADA and USOC rules, as applicable.
14. In the event of unforeseen changes regarding schedule, program, rules, or other significant events or amendments that affect the team trial process or conduct of approved selection procedures, the USA Shooting Team Selection Procedures Committee (Selection Committee) will meet as soon as possible to determine if any procedures regarding the selection of team members is warranted.
15. The Final Selection of the Pan Am Games Team will occur by June 12, 2019. The Pan Am Selection Committee will meet and do the following:
 - If both Olympic Country Quota places have been earned by the USA in a Pan Am Games event by June 1, 2019, the team will be the top two athletes from the Selection Process.
 - If none or one of the Olympic Country Quota places have been earned by the USA in a Pan Am Games event by June 1, 2019, the Pan Am Selection Committee will select the athletes to compete in the event using the criteria below:

The Pan American Discretionary Selection Committee will select the athletes with the best chance to compete and win a 2020 Olympic Quota slot at the Pan American Games. Based on the criteria below, the selection committee will rank six (6) athletes and the highest ranked one or two athletes (depending upon the 2020 Olympic Quota scenario) will be selected to the Pan American Team.

- Athlete must not have already won an individual Olympic Country Quota place for 2020 during the Tokyo quad.
- Athlete must have demonstrated an ability to qualify for elite international Finals. World Championship finalists and World Cup finalists from the competitions beginning in 2018 will receive strong consideration.
- Athlete has demonstrated an ability to win 1st or 2nd place in finals at World Cups, World Championships, World Cup Finals and Continental Championships beginning in 2018 will receive strong consideration. Athlete must have demonstrated the ability to place 1st or 2nd in at least one National level finals such as USASNC and Selection

competitions in the Tokyo 2020 cycle. National Junior Olympic results may also be considered due to the competitive nature of the finals.

- Athlete must be rated as a strong Finals performer as noted from their competitive record. Committee may consider performance in other significant events and overall competitive strength demonstrated.
- Athlete performance at the 2019 Shotgun Spring Selection Match will be strongly considered.
- Athlete must be healthy and able to compete to the best of their ability at the Pan American Games and be able to participate in the training plan for the Pan American Games.

16. The 2019 ISSF World Cup schedule is as follows:

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| 1. Acapulco, MEX | March 15 – March 25 |
| 2. Al Ain, UAE | Apr 5– Apr 15 |
| 3. Changwon, KOR | May 7 – May 17 |
| 4. Lahti, FIN | August 11 – August 22 |

B. SHOTGUN TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES

1. Team trials and dates
 - a. Summer Selection Match
 - 1. July 28 to August 8, 2018 Kerrville TX
 - b. Spring Selection Match
 - February 24 to March 3, 2019 (Location in Approval Process)--
2. Events to be contested
 - a. Men's Trap
 - b. Women's Trap
 - c. Men's Skeet
 - d. Women's Skeet
 - e. Mixed Team Trap -Spring Selection Only – not a direct selection
3. Course of fire
 - a. Trap and Skeet Men 125 targets
 - b. Trap and Skeet Women 125 targets
 - c. Mixed Team Trap 75 Targets
4. Number of courses of fire
 - a. Summer Selection 2018 Two courses of fire- Men/Women
 - b. Spring Selection 2019 Two courses of fire- Men/Women

5. Summer Selection Finals
 - a. One ISSF final per contested event after two courses of fire. Current ISSF Finals rules.
 - b. Finals points awarded by finish position.
 - c. Finals points awarded will be added to qualification score
 - d. Finals points awarded Men & Women
 - 1) 1st = 3 points
 - 2) 2nd = 2 points
 - 3) 3rd = 1 points

6. Spring Selection Finals
 - a. One ISSF final per contested event after two courses of fire. Current ISSF Finals rules.
 - b. Finals points awarded by finish position.
 - c. Finals points awarded will be added to qualification score
 - d. Finals points awarded Men & Women
 - 4) 1st = 3 points
 - 5) 2nd = 2 points
 - 6) 3rd = 1 points

7. 2019 World Cup participant selection World Cup Acapulco & Al Ain
 - a. World Cup Acapulco and WC Al Ain start positions earned through the trials process will be the aggregate score from each course of fire, at summer selection, plus the points earned from summer selection final only.
 - b. The high aggregate score will secure one start position for World Cup Acapulco & Al Ain.
 - c. The second and third high aggregate scores will secure one, choice, start position to World Cup Acapulco or Al Ain
 - d. The fourth and fifth high aggregate scores will secure one, remaining, start position to World Cup Acapulco or Al Ain in order of finish.
 - e. Any out of competition start positions will be determined by the MQS policy.

8. 2019 World Cup participant selection World Cup Changwon & Lahti
 - a. World Cup Changwon and Lahti start positions earned through the trials process will be the aggregate score from each course of fire, at spring selection only, plus finals points earned.
 - b. The high aggregate score will secure one start position for World Cup Changwon & Lahti.
 - c. The second and third high aggregate scores will secure one, choice, start positions to World Cup Changwon or Lahti
 - d. The fourth and fifth high aggregate scores will secure one, remaining, start positions to World Cup Changwon or Lahti in order of finish.
 - e. Any out of competition start positions will be determined by the MQS policy.

9. 2019 Mixed Team Selection for World Cup Changwon & Lahti
 - a. World Cup start positions earned through the trials process will be the aggregate score from each course of fire, at spring selection only, plus finals points earned based on the individual trap competition.

- b. The high aggregate individual score for men and the high aggregate individual score for women will secure one team position for World Cup Changwon & Lahti.
- c. The second and third high aggregate scores will secure one, choice, start positions to World Cup Changwon or Lahti

10. Tie breaking procedures

Ties will be broken by shooting a miss and out ISSF style shoot off until ties are broken.

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. The current ISSF Finals impact the competition format and results significantly creating a challenge in selecting teams. Athletes selected to the teams must be able to demonstrate both high skill levels in the qualification and in the finals.
2. Elimination style finals require other than purely score based system for ranking athletes if international medal success is to be achieved. Therefore, a system including the award of points for finals placement has been developed.
3. It is recognized that changes to the ISSF events program including finals may change for the 2017-2020 quadrennial. In the event such changes are adopted, this 2019 World Cup Shotgun Selection Procedure will be modified to mirror such changes.
4. 2019 priorities emphasize continued training of top athletes to perform and obtain World Cup & Continental Championship podium and final appearances. A concentrated funding strategy will be focused on those top athletes that demonstrate the potential to podium and acquire quota positions at 2019 World Cups and Pan American Games.