

**USA SHOOTING TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES**  
**Early 2020 WORLD CUPS & TEST EVENT – SHOTGUN**

**A. GENERAL**

As of this writing the ISSF has not released their 2020 World Cup Schedule. We anticipate there being early 2020 World Cup(s) and the Fall Selection Match will be the selection for this. The 2020 World Cup Teams will be selected from the top-scoring U.S. citizens under this USA Shooting Policy and Procedure. We will update the procedures with exact matches selected for once the ISSF releases their schedule.

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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.

9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. The 2020 ISSF World Cup schedule is as follows:  
This is not known at this time as the ISSF has not released their 2020 schedule. As soon as this schedule is released, we will update accordingly to display the correct matches selected for.
14. The 2020 ISSF Test Event schedule is as follows:  
April 15 – 27, 2020 – Tokyo, Japan

## **B. SHOTGUN TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES**

1. Team trials and dates
  - a. Olympic Trials Part I/Fall Selection Match – Kerrville, TX
    - a. September 9 – 21, 2019
  - b. Olympic Trials Part II/Spring Selection Match – TBD
    - a. TBD early 2020
2. Events to be contested
  - a. Men's Trap
  - b. Women's Trap
  - c. Men's Skeet
  - d. Women's Skeet
3. Course of fire
  - a. Trap and Skeet Men 125 targets

- b. Trap and Skeet Women 125 targets
4. Number of courses of fire
  - a. Olympic Trials Part I/Fall Selection Match 2019 - Two courses of fire - Men/Women
  - b. Olympic Trials Part II/Spring Selection Match 2020 – Two courses of fire – Men/Women
5. Olympic Trials Part I / Fall 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) 1<sup>st</sup> = 3 points
    - 2) 2<sup>nd</sup> = 2 points
    - 3) 3<sup>rd</sup> = 1 points
6. Olympic Trials Part II / Spring Selection Finals
  - a. One ISSF final per contested event after two courses of fire.
  - b. Final will be a Super-Final style competition with no eliminations
    - i. Trap – 50 single barrel targets
    - ii. Skeet – 30 pairs in current finals format
  - c. Total Super-Final target count will be added to qualification score for both men and women
7. 2020 World Cup participant selection for TBD early 2020 World Cup(s).
  - a. World Cup start positions earned through the trials process will be the aggregate score from each course of fire, at Olympic Trials Part I/Fall Selection, plus the points earned from Fall Selection final only.
  - b. The high aggregate score will secure one start position for the World Cup previous of the Test Event should there be one.
  - c. The second and third high aggregate scores will secure one, start position to the World Cup previous of the Test Event should there be one.
  - d. Any slots that become available due to spots being turned down will be offered by order of final ranking down to the 6<sup>th</sup> spot.
  - e. Any out of competition start positions will be determined by the MQS policy.
8. 2020 Mixed Team Selection for TBD early 2020 World Cup(s).
  - a. World Cup start positions earned through the trials process will be the aggregate score from each course of fire, at Olympic Trials Part I/Fall Selection only, plus finals points earned based on the individual trap competition.
  - b. The highest aggregate individual score for men and the highest aggregate individual score for women, in attendance, will earn one mixed Team start position and be paired as USA Team 1.
  - c. The Second highest aggregate individual score for men and the second highest aggregate individual score for women, in attendance, will earn one mixed Team start position and be paired as USA Team 2.

9. 2020 Test Event participant selection for Tokyo Test Event and remaining World Cup Schedule
  - a. Test Event and remaining World Cup Start positions earned through the trials process will be based on the Final Olympic Trials Ranking List at the conclusion of Olympic Trials Part II / Spring Selection 2020. This will be the combination of 4 courses of fire, finals points earned, and Super Final Score.
  - b. The high aggregate scores, those selected to the Olympic Team by way of Olympic Trials Ranking List, will be selected to compete at the Tokyo 2020 Test Event.
  - c. Upon the conclusion of Olympic selection Part II the highest priority will be preparation of Olympic Team Members and alternates for 2020 Olympic Games. To include but not limited to World Cup start positions and other International and National Competitions and Camps.
10. Tie breaking procedures
  - a. Ties will be broken by shooting full regular rounds between the tied individuals until the tie is broken.
    - i. Regular Rounds are defined as a full qualification round of trap or skeet with full use of the gun.

### **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 2020 World Cup Shotgun Selection Procedure will be modified to mirror such changes.
4. 2020 priorities emphasize giving Olympic Athletes priority for all international matches. A concentrated funding strategy will be focused on those top athletes that demonstrate the Olympic Team podium potential.