

USA SHOOTING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES JUNIOR OLYMPIC SQUAD

A. ELIGIBILITY

1. To be eligible for selection to the Junior Olympic Squad an individual must be a U.S. citizen, a junior, and a member of USA Shooting.
2. The purpose of the Junior Olympic Squad is to provide coaching and development assistance to juniors that are demonstrating potential to become National Team members.
3. All Junior Olympic Squad members must read, sign and abide by the current USA Shooting Code of Conduct including all annexes (Athlete's Agreement and Liability Release) as approved by USA Shooting. The USAS documents must be signed and presented, without modification before the athlete is considered a member of the squad.

B. TRAINING TERM

The training term for the Junior Olympic Squad will be from the end of the applicable discipline National Junior Olympic Championships (NJOSC) until the beginning of the applicable NJOSC the following year.

C. SELECTION PROCEDURE

1. Members of the Junior Olympic Squad will be selected from finishers specified below at the conclusion of the National Junior Olympic Championships. Doubled squad positions (slots) are not filled in any discipline or event. Any athlete qualifying for more than one position occupies those positions. Juniors qualifying for the Junior Olympic Squad and also qualifying for the NJT will be on the NJT only. In all disciplines/events, competitors tied for the

last team position will have tied scores broken in accordance with USA Shooting Rules. The top finisher under the tie breaking procedure will be named to the Squad.

2. For all JO Squad events, a minimum of five entries will select one grid position and eight entries are required to select two grid positions.

Event at National Junior Olympic Championship	Places
SHOTGUN	
Men Skeet	3, 4
Women Skeet	3, 4
Men Trap	3, 4
Women Trap	3, 4

RIFLE - Due to a lack of funding, there will be no JO Squad selections. Consideration will be provided for additional National Coach At-Large selections to the NJT.

PISTOL – *The following are the selection possibilities for Juniors to be selected to the Pistol JO Squad NOT to exceed 10.*

- *Progressive Position Pistol National Champion - Top Junior Male and Top Junior Female.*
- *4th place Juniors competing in MAP & WAP and MSP & WSP at the Junior Olympic Shooting Championships may be selected based on their shooting performance.*
- *3rd place Juniors competing in MAP & WAP and MSP & WSP at the USA National Shooting Championships may be selected based on their shooting performance.*
- *Please refer to Section D4 below regarding funding.*

Consideration will be provided for additional National Coach At-Large selections to the NJT, based on the athlete's performance.

D. JUNIOR OLYMPIC SQUAD POLICY

1. Members of the Junior Olympic Squad must be a junior as defined by International Sport Shooting Federation (ISSF) rules. An athlete may compete as a junior through the calendar year in which he or she turns 20.
2. All squad members are required to provide all of their own equipment.
3. Current or past members of the National Team, National Junior Team or National Development Team are not eligible for the Squad.
4. Discipline budgets do not include JO Squad funds, so any funding for JO Squad members is dependent on each discipline's available budget. Members may be required to provide partial or full funding for camps. Athlete responsible expenses will be identified in advance of any activity. Selection to the Junior Olympic Squad does not make one eligible to attend or be funded to World Cups, or any other International shooting events. Attendance at any USA Shooting sponsored events such as designated Selection matches, and the USA National Shooting Championships will be the sole responsibility of the athlete, and USA Shooting bears no financial responsibility for those athletes attending such events.
4. Members may be removed from the squad by the recommendation of the coach and Director of Operations with final approval of the Executive Director as a result of disciplinary action. Members not

meeting team and/or individual requirements may receive reduced support