

## **USA SHOOTING TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES**

### **2010 WORLD SHOOTING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

#### **A. GENERAL REGULATIONS**

1. The World Shooting Championships Team will be selected from the top scoring U.S. citizens under these USA Shooting Policies and Procedures.
2. Athletes selected to the team must meet International Olympic Committee (IOC), United States Olympic Committee (USOC) and International Sport Shooting Federation (ISSF) eligibility criteria for the Olympic Games, Pan American Games, and ISSF-sanctioned international competitions. See USA Shooting Policies and Procedures, Section II, Amateur Eligibility.
3. Team members will be selected on the basis of tryout performance.
4. All athletes must sign and abide by the USA Shooting Policies and Procedures, Section I, Code of Conduct, Section IA, Athlete's Agreement and Section IF Liability Release.
5. The final selection competition will be completed no less than 30 days prior to the beginning of the ISSF Championship. USA Shooting will establish and publish a selection competition schedule complying with this policy.
6. Athletes will occupy the team position(s) they earn. Only athletes who have earned the right to compete as a result of their performance in these selection procedures are eligible to be named to the World Championship Team. If an athlete has earned the right to compete in two or more events, that athlete will indeed fill those events; there are no provisions for other athletes to move into or claim a start position as a result of a World Championship Team member shooting in a second or third event. There are no alternates or non-firing athletes named to the World Championship Team.
7. Athletes earning an Olympic event team position on the grid in paragraph IV must be Performance Standard qualified to be eligible for funding by USAS/USOC. (See USA Shooting Policies and Procedures, Section VI, for Performance Standard requirements). Funding levels are not guaranteed and will be determined by USAS Staff and USA Shooting Board in accordance with 2010 budget constraints. Athletes earning a team position on the grid that are not performance qualified may be required to fund 100% of the costs.

Details of the projected costs and the requirements for funding will be given to the athletes at the conclusion of the selection procedure. In the event the athlete earning the grid position does not participate, team positions will not be passed down beyond the fourth place finisher; the position will go unfilled. Athletes having to fund themselves will be required to notify USAS, in writing (applicable National Coach or Director of Operations; email will suffice), of their decision to participate in the World Shooting Championships within one week after the completion of the selection match. Athletes who are selected based on the position being passed to them, will be

required to notify USAS, in writing, of their decision to participate in the World Shooting Championships within one week of being notified of their inclusion on the team.

8. Athletes earning a team position on the grid in paragraph IV in a non-Olympic event will be 100% self funded. An athlete occupying a team position in an Olympic event that has also earned a team position in a non-Olympic event must fund any additional costs incurred by shooting the non-Olympic event. Details of the projected costs and the requirements for funding will be given to the athletes at the conclusion of the selection procedure. Team positions will not be passed down. In the event the athlete earning the grid position does not participate, the position will go unfilled. Athletes having to fully fund themselves will be required to notify USAS, in writing (applicable National Coach or Director of Operations; email will suffice), of their decision to participate in the World Shooting Championships within one week after the completion of the selection match.

9. In the event of illness or injury to a selected athlete as determined by a USAS medical staff member, the next eligible athlete from the team Olympic event selection process is added to the Team. Funding criteria will be followed. Non-Olympic event positions will not be passed down. When withdrawal from the team occurs within 35 days of the competition, event replacements will be selected from within the World Team based upon the relevant selection process.

10. If for any reason, an athlete declines or withdraws his/her Olympic event position on the team, the next eligible athlete from the respective team selection process is added to the team. Funding criteria will be followed. Non-Olympic event positions will not be passed down. When withdrawal from the team occurs within 35 days of the competition, event replacements will be selected from within the team based upon the relevant selection process.

11. Eligibility for funding is determined by the athlete having the Performance Standard Average (PSA) or Individual Performance Standard (PSI) in accordance with USAS Policies and Procedures, Section VI.

12. The U.S. World Shooting Championship Team will normally be comprised of the members listed below. However, team size for the World Championships may be reduced as deemed necessary by the recommendation of the Executive Director-CEO and approval of the Executive Committee.

<u><b>MEN</b></u>	<u><b>WOMEN</b></u>
8 Rifle (10* with 300m events)	6 Rifle (8* with 300m events)
10 Pistol	5 Pistol
3 Trap	3 Trap
3 Double Trap	3 Double Trap
3 Skeet	3 Skeet
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29* Total	22* Total
<i>*Note: Munich 2010 is scheduled to have 300m events in program</i>	

<u><b>JUNIOR MEN</b></u>	<u><b>JUNIOR WOMEN</b></u>
8 Rifle	6 Rifle
10 Pistol	5 Pistol

3 Trap	3 Trap
3 Double Trap	3 Double Trap
3 Skeet	3 Skeet
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27 Total	20 Total

*(Note: ISSF eliminated “substitutions” from team size allocations in new rules 3.6.8.1)*

## **B. TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES**

### **I. Shotgun Selection Procedures:**

- a. **Selection Competitions:** Shotgun selection procedures will consist of two separate competitions. The first selection competition will be the 2009 National Championships. The second selection competition will be the 2009 Fall Selection Match.
- b. **Courses of Fire:** Shotgun selection procedures will consist of 250 targets in the trap and skeet events and 300 targets in the double trap event at each selection competition. One official final will be fired at the end of the second selection competition. The final will be conducted with the top six competitors having the highest course of fire aggregate (combined 2009 USASNC and Fall Selection scores) at the end of the second selection competition. Ties for sixth place will be broken in accordance with USA Shooting rules.
- c. **Selection Criteria:** Shotgun World Championship Team selection will be based upon the aggregate of the scores from the courses of fire from both the USASNC and Fall Selection matches and the official final score shot at the completion of the Fall Selection Match.

### **II. Pistol and Rifle Selection Procedures:**

- a. **Selection Competitions:** Open pistol and rifle selection procedures will consist of one competition for the smallbore events and two competitions for the air events. The smallbore selection competition will be the 2010 Spring Selection Match. This team trial will be held in the February to May time frame and may or may not be held in conjunction with the spring shotgun selection match. Airgun selection competitions will be the Winter Airgun Championship in December 2009 (formerly known as “3 x Air”) and the 2010 USA World Airgun Tryouts Part II.
- b. **Courses of Fire:**
  - i. Open pistol and rifle smallbore selection procedures (competitions) will consist of three courses of fire in each event with a final at the end of each course of fire. Ties for finals positions will be broken in accordance with USA Shooting Rules.
  - ii. Open pistol and rifle airgun selection procedures (competitions) will consist of the first 2 course of fire at the Winter Airgun Championships and two courses of fire at the 2010 Airgun Tryouts Part II.

- c. Selection Criteria:
  - i. Open pistol and rifle smallbore selection will be based upon the aggregate of the scores from the courses of fire and the two highest scoring finals.
  - ii. Open pistol and rifle airgun selections will be the Winter Air Gun Championships scores consisting of the first two courses of fire; and two courses of fire at the Airgun Tryouts Part II; plus the two best finals shot in those two competitions.
- d. Non-Olympic Events: Selection for non-Olympic events will be the 2010 USASNC consisting of two courses of fire in each non-Olympic event. 300m event team tryouts will be held in the fall of 2009 and will consist of one selection competition with a minimum of two courses of fire.
- e. Junior Rifle and Pistol World Team Selections:
  - i. Olympic Events – Rifle: Selection competitions will consist of the 2010 Junior Olympic Shooting Championships (two courses of fire) PLUS the 2010 USASNC Junior Championships (two courses of fire) and the best final shot in either event. (i.e.: if a junior qualifies for finals at JOSOC and USASNC, that athlete can drop the lowest final.)
  - ii. Olympic Events – Pistol: 2010 USASNC Junior Championship with two courses of fire and the final.
  - iii. Non Olympic Events: 2010 USASNC (two match courses of fire) will be the only and final selection competition for the non-Olympic Junior rifle and pistol events for the 2010 World Championship Team.

### III. Weather, Circumstances, and Ties:

- a. In the event of inclement weather, power outages, range and range equipment errors, or circumstances beyond the control of the organizing staff, the tryout course of fire may be altered as determined by the competition jury in conjunction with the match director, applicable national coaches and USA Shooting's Director of Operations who is the final authority.
- b. In the event there are ties in the Olympic events, after completion of the trials procedures which involves the top six (6) athletes, a second final according to ISSF rules will be conducted to determine the team position(s) and final ranking of those competitors. That final will be conducted as soon as possible after verification that a tie exists. Ties occur in all events, when the aggregate of the match courses and the final(s), including tenths of points where applicable, are equal. USA Shooting Rules will break ties in non-Olympic events.

### IV. Selection Grid for Teams:

The World Championship Team will be selected in the order listed below until the maximum team size has been selected in accordance with Paragraph A. 12.

## a. PISTOL:

NOTE: The Junior Men's and Junior Women's teams follow the same grid pattern as the Men's and Women's teams in the Open division. Hence, the grids below do not represent a combined team; the Open teams and Junior teams are separate teams.

## 1) Men and Junior Men

Air Pistol	1	4	7
Free Pistol	3	5	8
Rapid Fire Pistol	2	6	9
Center Fire	10	12	14
Standard Pistol	11	13	15

## 2) Women and Junior Women

Sport Pistol	1	3	5
Air Pistol	2	4	6

## b. RIFLE:

## 1) Men (with 300 meter events included)

Smallbore 3x40	1	4	7
Air Rifle 60	2	5	9
Free Rifle Prone	3	6	8
300 Meter 3x40	10	13	16
300 Meter 3x20	11	14	17
300 Meter Prone	12	15	18

## 3) Women (with 300 meter events included)

Sport Rifle 3x20	1	3	5
Air Rifle 40	2	4	6
Sport Rifle Prone	13	14	15
300 Meter 3x20	7	9	11
300 Meter Prone	8	10	12

## 4) Junior Men

Smallbore Rifle 3x40	1	4	6
Air Rifle	2	5	7
Smallbore Rifle Prone	3	8	9

## 5) Junior Women

Smallbore Rifle 3x20	1	3	5
Air Rifle	2	4	6
Smallbore Rifle Prone	7	8	9

## c. CLAY TARGET

NOTE: The Junior Men's and Junior Women's teams follow the same grid pattern as the Men's and Women's teams in the Open division. Hence, the grids below do not represent a combined team; the Open teams and Junior teams are separate teams.

1) Men and Junior Men

Trap	1	4	7
Skeet	2	5	8
Double Trap	3	6	9

2) Women and Junior Women

Trap	1	3	5
Skeet	2	4	6
Double Trap	7	8	9