



2024 ISSF JUNIOR WORLD  
CHAMPIONSHIPS  
RIFLE | PISTOL | SHOTGUN  
TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

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## 1. BACKGROUND

- a) The International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) Junior World Championships (JWCH) are conducted according to ISSF rules.
- b) ISSF is conducting the JWCH for shotgun, rifle and pistol athletes in 2024. The details for the event are as follows:

Year	Date	Disciplines	Location
2024	26 September – 7 October	Shotgun, Rifle and Pistol	Lima, Peru

- c) Shooting Australia (SA) may select athletes (see clause 5) to the team (Team) to participate in the JWCH. SA is under no obligation to select any, or the maximum number of, athletes for any event at the JWCH.
- d) This Selection Criteria (Criteria) details the process for the consideration of athletes by SA for selection to the Team to represent Australia at the 2024 JWCH.

## 2. OBJECTIVES

- a) SA's objectives when considering selections to the Team are to:
  - (i) maximise the number of medals that SA can win in this event, and other benchmark events including (but not limited to) the 2028 Olympic Games and future ISSF World and Continental Championships; and
  - (ii) use this and other ISSF events to provide junior athletes who are ready for extension with exposure to high-quality international competition that will help to accelerate their development for 2025 and beyond.
- b) For the avoidance of doubt, the objectives in clause 2(a) simply provide context to and for these Criteria and in no way impact on the selection of the Team by the SA Selection Panel (Selection Panel) or the exercise of discretion (if any) by the Selection Panel.

## 3. SELECTION PANEL

- a) There will be one Selection Panel to consider selections to the Team subject to, and in accordance with, the terms of this Criteria.
- b) The Selection Panel shall comprise one member from each of the relevant SA Member Organisations, the SA High Performance Manager (SA HPM) and the SA Performance Pathway Manager (SA PPM).

## 4. EVENTS

- a) The Selection Panel may select athletes to the Team for the following events at the 2024 JWCH:

JUNIOR MEN'S EVENTS
50M RIFLE 3 POSITION
50M RIFLE PRONE
10M AIR RIFLE
25M RAPID FIRE PISTOL
10M AIR PISTOL
TRAP
SKEET

JUNIOR WOMEN'S EVENTS
50M RIFLE 3 POSITION
50M RIFLE PRONE
10M AIR RIFLE
25M PISTOL
10M AIR PISTOL
TRAP
SKEET

- b) If there are any other non-Olympic events, including Mixed Gender Events, on the program at the JWCH, the Selection Panel may select athletes to compete in such non-Olympic events at its absolute discretion.
- c) If there are any Team or Mixed Team events at the JWCH, the Selection Panel, at its absolute discretion, may select athletes to compete in any such Team or Mixed Team event from amongst the Team selected for the JWCH in accordance with clause 9.

## 5. TEAM SIZE

- a) SA may select and enter a maximum of three (3) athletes in Individual events.
- b) Neither this Criteria, nor SA nor ISSF require SA to select any, or the maximum number of, athletes to the Team for the JWCH. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Criteria operates to require the Selection Panel to exercise any discretion to select any athletes to the Team or fill all available positions on the Team. Final Team members and composition of the Team are determined at the absolute discretion of the SA Selection Panel.

## 6. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- a) To be eligible for consideration for selection to the Team for the JWCH an athlete must:
- (i) Be under the age of, or turn, twenty-one (21) between 1 January and 31 December of the year of competition;
  - (ii) Be a registered financial member of a SA Member Organisation;
  - (iii) Be eligible to compete for Australia in shooting events in future Olympic Games, World and Continental Championships;
  - (iv) Meet this Criteria and all eligibility requirements imposed by ISSF;
  - (v) Have achieved an Average Performance Score (**APS**) that meets or exceeds the Minimum Performance Standard (**MPS**) for the relevant event in accordance with clause 7; and
  - (vi) Sign and abide by the SA Athlete Agreement as per clause 13.

## 7. MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS (MPS)

- a) To be eligible for consideration for selection to the Team, athletes must have achieved an APS that meets or exceeds the MPS for the relevant event as detailed in clause 7(c).
- b) The APS is determined by SA based on the average of each athlete's top three (3) qualification scores in SA-endorsed events and recognised international events conducted within the Performance Window (**Performance Window**). SA-endorsed events are events that appear on the SA Calendar with the label "SA Endorsed". The SA Calendar can be found on the SA website. The Performance Window for the 2024 JWCH shall be from 1 August 2023 until the end of any SA Endorsed Event competitions on 18<sup>th</sup> August 2024
- c) The MPS for each event is as follows:

JUNIOR MEN'S EVENTS	U21s MPS
50M RIFLE 3 POSITION	575.7
10M AIR RIFLE	619.6
50M RIFLE PRONE	615.1
25M RAPID FIRE PISTOL	564
10M AIR PISTOL	568
TRAP	114.1
SKEET	114.7

JUNIOR WOMEN'S EVENTS	U21s MPS
50M RIFLE 3 POSITION	578.2
10M AIR RIFLE	622.3
50M RIFLE PRONE	616.4
25M PISTOL	567
10M AIR PISTOL	564
TRAP	106.2
SKEET	106.3

## 8. PROCESS FOR OBTAINING A JWCH SELECTION SCORE

- a) The process for obtaining a Selection Score for the 2024 JWCH (**Selection Score**) is as follows:
  - (i) Athletes will have an opportunity to participate in up to three (3) JWCH Selection Events (**Selection Events**) to accumulate points (**Event Points**) that contribute to their JWCH Selection Score, with the best two (2) points to be counted as the Selection Score. Specific dates and locations of Selection Events are as follows:

RIFLE SELECTION EVENTS	#1	#2	#3
NAME	TRA Nationals	TRV State Champs	Adelaide Cup #1
DATES	50m 3P 28 <sup>th</sup> March 10m AR 29 <sup>th</sup> March 50m PR 30 <sup>th</sup> March	4 <sup>th</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> May	50m 3P 14 <sup>th</sup> June 10m AR 16 <sup>th</sup> June 50m PR 15 <sup>th</sup> June
LOCATION	Brisbane International Shooting Centre, QLD	Melbourne International Shooting Centre, VIC	Wingfield Rifle Range, SA

PISTOL SELECTION EVENTS	#1	#2	#3
NAME	PA Nationals	Sydney Cup 2	QLD State Titles
DATES	15 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> May	27 <sup>th</sup> – 30 <sup>th</sup> June	2 <sup>nd</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup> August
LOCATION	Brisbane International Shooting Centre, QLD	Sydney International Shooting Centre, NSW	Brisbane International Shooting Centre, QLD

SHOTGUN SELECTION EVENTS	#1	#2	#3
NAME	Yarra Valley Grand Prix	VIC State Titles	QLD State Titles
DATES	1 <sup>st</sup> – 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	3 <sup>rd</sup> – 5 <sup>th</sup> May	13 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> June
LOCATION	Melbourne Gun Club, VIC	State Grounds Echuca, VIC	Brisbane Gun Club, QLD

## (ii) Rifle and Pistol Selection Scores:

- A. At each Selection Event, athletes will be awarded Event Points based on their score in the Qualification round. For example, an athlete competing in the 10M AR event who achieves a qualification score of 625.5 will be awarded 625.5 Event Points.
- B. For the avoidance of doubt, the process for accumulating Event Points is the same for all JWCH Selection Events.
- C. At the end of the Selection Events, each athlete will obtain a Selection Score which is calculated based on the combined total of the two (2) best Event Points achieved in the Selection Events.
- D. At the end of the Selection Events, Selection Scores for all eligible athletes will then be ranked from highest to lowest.

## (iii) Shotgun Selection Scores:

- A. At each Selection Event, athletes will be awarded Event Points based on the combined total of their Qualifying Points (**Qualifying Points**) and Finishing Points (**Finishing Points**).
- B. Qualifying Points at each Selection Event will be equal to the athlete's score in the qualification round. For example, an athlete competing in Trap who achieves a qualification score of 117 will be awarded 117 Qualifying Points.
- C. Finishing Points at each Selection Event will be calculated at the end of an event and will only be awarded to athletes who progress to the finals as follows: first place is awarded

- 6 points, second place is awarded 5 points, third place is awarded 4 points and so on until all finalists have received points, regardless of the number of starters in the finals.
- D. The sum of an athlete's Qualifying Points and Finishing Points will be recorded as their Event Points awarded for that Selection Event.
  - E. For the avoidance of doubt, the process for accumulating Event Points is the same for all JWCH Selection Events.
  - F. At the end of the Selection Events, each athlete will obtain a Selection Score which is calculated based on the combined total of their best Event Points achieved in two of three Selection Events.
  - G. At the end of the Selection Events, Selection Scores for all eligible athletes will then be ranked from highest to lowest.

## 9. SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE MEN'S AND WOMEN'S EVENTS

- a) Subject always to clauses 6, 7 and 8, the Selection Panel may select athletes to the Team according to the following process (**Selection Process**):
  - (i) Up to 1 position may be allocated to the highest ranked junior athlete on the Olympic Nomination leaderboard at the completion of all Olympic nomination events where that athlete is ranked in the top 3;
  - (ii) Subsequent to the application of clause 9(a)(i), athletes may be selected to the Team in order of their JWCH Selection Score ranking at the conclusion of the Selection Events. If two (2) or more athletes are tied based on their Selection Scores, the tie will be broken as outlined in clause 9(a)(iii)
  - (iii) If there is a tie, the Selection Panel at its sole and absolute discretion may recommend to SA the athlete to be selected (from amongst the tied athletes) according to any, all or none of the following factors in its absolute discretion and in no particular order, weighting or combination:
    - A. The tied Athletes' domestic head-to-head performances in SA Endorsed Events between 1 August 2023 and the date of completion of the final Selection Event; or
    - B. An Athlete's international qualifying and finals performances at the 2023 ISSF Junior World Championships; or
    - C. An Athlete's international performances between 1 January 2023 and the date of completion of the Final Selection Event; or
    - D. At the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel.
- b) In the unlikely event that a minimum of two (2) JWCH Selection Events cannot be completed due to any reason, athletes may be selected to the Team by the SA Selection Panel at its absolute discretion.

## 10. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- a) In determining whether an athlete has satisfied the criteria set out in clauses 6, 7 or 8, the SA Selection Panel, at its absolute discretion, may take in to account any Extenuating Circumstances which prevent an athlete from achieving the Selection Score which would otherwise be required to obtain selection to the Team. For the avoidance of doubt, the exercise of this discretion by the Selection Panel may result in a different athlete being selected to the Team. There is no obligation on SA or the Selection Panel to consider any Extenuating Circumstances.

- b) Without limitation, the Selection Panel may consider an athlete's non-attendance at a Selection Event to be an Extenuating Circumstance in its absolute discretion.
- c) If an athlete is unable to attend a Selection Event for a genuine and exceptional reason, that athlete must submit notification in writing, including evidence (such as a medical certificate from a doctor for injury or illness) to the SA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) prior to the first day of competition as scheduled. Where an athlete becomes ill or injured during a Selection Event and this impacts their performance, notification in writing must be immediately provided to the CEO and a medical certificate must be provided within 2 days of the conclusion of the event.

## 11. APPEALS PROCESS

Appeals will be conducted in accordance with, and governed by, the process detailed in the SA Appeals Policy, a copy of which may be downloaded from the SA website or obtained by request from the SA office.

## 12. ANNOUNCEMENT OF SELECTIONS

Unless otherwise determined by the Selection Panel, the Team for the 2024 JWCH will be announced via the SA website following the conclusion of all JWCH Selection Events.

## 13. TEAM MEMBERSHIP AND PERFORMANCE READINESS

- a) Athletes selected to the Team must sign and return the SA Athlete Agreement within seven (7) days of notification. Team selection will be confirmed once SA has received a signed SA Athlete Agreement.
- b) By signing the SA Athlete Agreement, athletes will be bound by its terms and conditions and any other reasonable conditions as determined and published by SA from time to time.
- c) In all cases, continuing membership of the Team is dependent on the athlete demonstrating performance readiness to the SA HPM and relevant National Coach. This includes and is not limited to the submission of requested training programs and training logs, completion of performance tests and/or attendance at competitions or camps, and/or undertaking a medical review with a designated medical practitioner at the discretion and direction of the SA HPM and relevant National Coach.
- d) Athletes agree that the Selection Panel may remove an athlete from the Team where that athlete has not:
  - (i) completed, signed and returned to SA the Athlete Agreement as required by SA; or
  - (ii) met SA's requirements in relation to performance readiness as required by SA.
- e) Any incident or act related to doping in breach of the relevant policies or any other incident or act that could bring the sport into disrepute will result in the immediate withdrawal of the athlete(s) from the Team. In addition, these athletes may be subject to suspension pending an investigation and the outcome of any subsequent appeal. There is no right of appeal against a withdrawal under this clause 13(e).

- f) SA reserves the right to add or remove athletes from the Team for the 2024 JWCH where a need is clearly established. The SA HPM must approve such changes. Examples of where this may be necessary are, but are not limited to:
- (i) injury or illness;
  - (ii) bereavement leave or personal matters;
  - (iii) disciplinary action - Breach of SA Athlete Agreement;
  - (iv) non-compliance with performance readiness requirements; and/or
  - (v) team harmony and balance.

## 14. FUNDING AND LOGISTICS

- a) All entries, travel arrangements and payments to the local organising committee for the 2024 JWCH will be coordinated through and by SA. Subject to any funding provided by SA, athletes will be required to bear all costs of participation in the Team for the 2024 JWCH (**Participation Costs**). These will be advised to athletes and must be paid to SA in accordance with clause 14(d).
- b) Participation Costs may include, but are not limited to:
- (i) Entry Fees;
  - (ii) Travel;
  - (iii) Accommodation;
  - (iv) Meals;
  - (v) Ammunition for competition and unofficial training; and
  - (vi) unofficial training costs.
- c) SA may choose to provide funding to athletes in the Team to offset Participation Costs, subject to the availability of funds and at the total discretion of the SA HPM. SA will determine the level of funding provided to each athlete (if any) on a case-by-case basis. SA funding (if any) will be provided to athletes via a reduction of their Participation Costs payable to SA. SA is under no obligation to invest in athletes equally.
- d) All payments of the Participation Costs to SA by an athlete for the 2024 JWCH must be paid in full to SA at least seven (7) days prior to the athlete's departure for the 2024 JWCH.

## 15. AMENDMENTS TO CRITERIA

- a) SA may amend this Criteria from time to time. If amended, the amended Criteria will be distributed by:
- (i) Posting it on the SA website; and
  - (ii) Distributing it by email to members of the SA National Squads.
- b) Any amendments to the Criteria shall take effect immediately on publication by SA.
- c) Any failure to give any notice or follow any process under this Criteria does not invalidate such notice or process and does not give rise to an appeal in respect to the notice or process.