



2024 ISSF WORLD CUPS AND GRANDS PRIX

TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

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1. BACKGROUND

- a) The International Shooting Sport Federation (**ISSF**) World Cups (**WC**) and Grands Prix (**GP**) are international competitions conducted according to ISSF rules.
- b) The ISSF conduct multiple WCs and GPs per shooting discipline each year with the venues and dates of these events outlined on the ISSF website at <https://www.issf-sports.org/calendar.ashx>.
- c) Shooting Australia (**SA**) will determine which WCs or GPs it selects athletes for, and sends Australian Teams (**Team**) to, as part of its 2024 High Performance Program.
- d) In 2024 the WC and GP may be used:
 - (i) as part of the Olympic Nomination process;
 - (ii) in preparation of athletes for success at the 2024 Olympic Games.
- e) SA may select athletes to the Team to participate in one or more of the WCs and GPs. SA is under no obligation to select any, or the maximum number of, athletes for any event at any of the WCs and GPs.
- f) This Selection Criteria (**Criteria**) details the process established by SA for the selection of athletes. For the avoidance of doubt, each selection of athletes to the Team for each WC or GP is an independent event, and the selection of any athlete to the Team for one WC or GP has no bearing on selections to the Team for any other WC or GP.

2. OBJECTIVES

- a) In 2024 SA may use the WC and GP events prior to the 2024 Olympic Games for the purpose of preparing athletes for podium performance at the 2024 Olympic Games and as part of the Olympic Nomination process.
- b) For the avoidance of doubt, the objective in clause 2(a) simply provides context for these Criteria and in no way impact on the selection of the Team by the SA Selection Panel (**Panel**) or the exercise of discretion by the Selection Panel.

3. SELECTION PANEL

- a) The Panel shall comprise the SA High-Performance Manager (**SA HPM**), the SA (discipline) National Coach and the High Performance representative from the relevant SA Member Organisation.
- b) The Panel may select members of the Team subject to, and in accordance with, the terms of this Criteria.

4. EVENTS

- a) The Selection Panel may select athletes to the Team for the following events at the 2024 ISSF WCs and GPs:

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

- b) If there are any non-Olympic events on the program at the WC and GP the Panel, at its absolute discretion, may select athletes to compete in such non-Olympic events in accordance with clause 7.
- c) If there are any Team or Mixed Team events at the WC and GP, the 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 WC and GP in accordance with clause 7.
- d) At the Event, the final composition of Teams will be at the absolute discretion of the SA HPM, in consultation with the relevant National Coach. As a guide only the selection of Team members may be based on the most recent international competition results, including results from the individual rounds at the relevant competition where schedules and entry timelines permit.

5. TEAM SIZE

- a) Up to five (5) athletes may be selected per event to the Team for each WC or GP by the Panel.
- b) Where more than three (3) athletes are selected for an event, the Selection Panel, prior to the commencement of qualification, will identify three (3) athletes eligible to compete for the final. The additional up to two (2) athletes, if selected, will be identified as Ranking Points Only (**RPO**).
- c) Neither this Criteria, nor SA, nor ISSF require SA to select any, or the maximum number of, athletes to the Team for any WC or GP.
- d) Final Team members and composition of the Team are determined at the absolute discretion of the Panel.

6. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- a) To be eligible for consideration for selection to the Team for the WCs or GPs an athlete must:
- Be a registered financial member of and in good standing with the relevant SA Member Organisation;
 - Be eligible to compete for Australia in Shooting events in future Olympic Games, ISSF World Championships and Continental Championships;
 - Meet this Criteria and all eligibility requirements imposed by the ISSF; and
 - Sign and abide by the SA Athlete Agreement as per clause 9.

7. SELECTION PROCESS

- a) Subject always to clauses 5 and 6, the athletes to compete in a WC or GP in the Events listed in clause 4, may be selected to the Team by the Panel according to the Selection Process. Please refer to Appendix 1 for the Shotgun Selection Process, and Appendix 2 for the Rifle and Pistol Selection Process.
- b) The 2024 Olympic Games Nomination Criteria (**Nomination Criteria**) outlines the requirements for entry to the International Nomination Competitions that form part of the Olympic Nomination process. Please refer to the complete Nomination Criteria for details regarding selection to these events, specifically:
 - (i) ISSF Final Qualification Tournament for Rifle and Pistol – 11-19 April 2024 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
 - (ii) ISSF Final Qualification Tournament for Shotgun – 22-30 April 2024 in Doha, Qatar; and
 - (iii) For Shotgun only: ISSF World Cup Baku - 1-12 May 2024 in Baku, Azerbaijan.
- c) Should any further WCs or GPs be added to the calendar by the ISSF then selection of any Australian athletes will be at the absolute discretion of the Panel.
- d) Should dates and/or locations of WCs or GPs be amended SA may amend the Selection Process at its discretion.

8. 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: [Shooting Australia Appeals Policy](#) or obtained by request from the SA office.

9. 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 agree to 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 to the Panel and relevant National Coach that they are maintaining a suitable training regime and where deemed necessary, attending such camps as determined by the SA National Coach.
- d) Athletes agree that the 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 training and participation in training camps as required by SA.
- e) Any incident or act related to doping in breach of the relevant policies or any incident 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 9(e).

- f) SA reserves the right to add or remove athletes from the Team for the 2024 WCs or GPs 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; or
 - (iv) Team harmony and balance.

10. ANNOUNCEMENT

The Team for each WC or GP will be announced via the SA website www.shootingaustralia.org.

11. FUNDING AND LOGISTICS

- a) All entries, travel arrangements and payments to the relevant organising committee for each WC or GP will be coordinated through SA. Subject to any funding provided by SA, athletes will be required to pay the costs of participation in the Team for that WC or GP (**Participation Costs**), which will be advised to the athletes and are to be paid to SA in accordance with clause 11(e).
- b) The Participation Costs include, but are not limited to:
 - (i) Entry Fees;
 - (ii) Travel;
 - (iii) Accommodation;
 - (iv) Ammunition for competition and unofficial training (Shotgun); and
 - (v) Unofficial training costs.
- c) For WC events that are part of the Olympic Nomination process, selected athletes who do not have a Qualification Ranking Olympic Games (QROG) at the time of selection will be required to pay the Participation Costs. SA will meet the Participation Costs of selected athletes who have achieved a QROG prior to selection. Athletes who subsequently achieve a QROG will be reimbursed.
- d) For all other events, as a guide, Categorized Athletes may receive funding from SA towards Participation costs, subject to the availability of funds. SA may also choose to provide funding to Pathway Athletes in the Team to offset the Participation Costs, subject to the availability of funds. SA will determine the level of funding provided to each athlete on a case-by-case basis. In the cases of the athletes who receive funding from SA, the funding will be provided in a reduction of their Participation Costs payable to SA. SA is under no obligation to invest in athletes equally.
- e) All payments of the Participation Costs to SA by an athlete for a WC or GP must be paid in full to SA at least 7 days prior to the departure for that WC or GP unless otherwise agreed by the Chief Operating Officer.

12. 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 www.shootingaustralia.org; and
 - (ii) Distributing it by email to members of the SA National Squads.
- b) Any amendments to this 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.

APPENDIX 1: SHOTGUN SELECTION PROCESS

Subject always to clauses 5 and 6, the athletes to compete in a WC or GP in the Events listed in clause 4, may be selected to the Team by the Selection Panel according to the Selection Process:

1. **ISSF World Cup Cairo**, Egypt (24 January-1 February) – A discretionary selection by the Selection Panel. Athletes may be selected considering the following Factor/s:
 - a) Podium Ready and/or Podium Potential Categorised Athletes may be selected where the athlete has included the event as a priority in their 2024 Annual Training and Competition Plan and can demonstrate, based on 2022 and 2023 performance data, that participation in this WC will support an increased likelihood of podium performance at the 2024 Olympic Games.
2. **ISSF World Cup Rabat**, Morocco (4-13 February) – A discretionary selection by the Selection Panel. An athlete may be selected considering the following Factor/s:
 - a) Podium Ready Categorised Athletes may be selected where the athlete has included the event as a priority in their 2024 Annual Training and Competition Plan and can demonstrate, based on 2022 and 2023 performance data, that participation in this WC will support an increased likelihood of securing a quota position for the 2024 Olympic Games in an event where no quota positions have been secured.
3. **ISSF Final Qualification Tournament Doha**, Qatar (22-30 April) – This event forms part of the 2024 Olympic Nomination Criteria. Only the three athletes eligible for selection as per the 2024 Olympic Nomination Criteria will be selected.
4. **ISSF World Cup Baku**, Azerbaijan (1-12 May) - This event forms part of the 2024 Olympic Nomination Criteria. Only the three athletes eligible for selection as per the 2024 Olympic Nomination Criteria will be selected.
5. **ISSF World Cup Lonato**, Italy (10-19 June) – For this event, only those athletes who have met the Nomination Criteria to be nominated to the Australian Olympic Committee (**AOC**) for the 2024 Olympic Games will be selected.

APPENDIX 2: RIFLE and PISTOL SELECTION PROCESS

Subject always to clauses 5 and 6, the athletes to compete in a WC or GP in the Events listed in clause 4, may be selected to the Team by the Selection Panel according to the Selection Process:

1. **ISSF 10m Grand Prix Ruse**, Slovenia (9 - 14 January) – A discretionary selection by the Selection Panel. Athletes may be selected considering the following Factor/s:
 - a) Podium Ready and/or Podium Potential Categorised Athletes may be selected where the athlete has included the event as a priority in their 2024 Annual Training and Competition Plan and can demonstrate, based on 2022 and 2023 performance data, that participation in this WC will support an increased likelihood of podium performance at the 2024 Olympic Games.
2. **ISSF World Cup Cairo**, Egypt (24 January-1 February) – A discretionary selection by the Selection Panel. Athletes may be selected considering the following Factor/s:
 - a) Podium Ready and/or Podium Potential Categorised Athletes may be selected where the athlete has included the event as a priority in their 2024 Annual Training and Competition Plan and can demonstrate, based on 2022 and 2023 performance data, that participation in this WC will support an increased likelihood of podium performance at the 2024 Olympic Games.
3. **ISSF World Cup Granada**, Spain (10-18 February) – No athletes will be selected as the Olympic Nomination Competition # 2 (i.e. Sydney Cup) takes priority.
4. **ISSF Final Qualification Tournament**, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (11-19 April) – This event forms part of the 2024 Olympic Nomination Criteria. Only the three athletes eligible for selection as per the 2024 Olympic Nomination Criteria will be selected.
5. **ISSF World Cup Baku**, Azerbaijan (1-12 May) – A discretionary selection by the Selection Panel. Athletes may be selected considering the following Factor/s:
 - a) Podium Ready and/or Podium Potential Categorised Athletes may be selected where the athlete has included the event as a priority in their 2024 Annual Training and Competition Plan and can demonstrate, based on 2022 and 2023 performance data, that participation in this WC will support an increased likelihood of podium performance at the 2024 Olympic Games;
 - b) Where an athlete has achieved a QROG in 2023 and can demonstrate, based on 2022 and 2023 performance data, that participation in this WC will support an increased likelihood of podium performance at the 2024 Olympic Games.
 - c) The athlete finished with the highest Nomination Score in an Event at the conclusion of all Nomination Competitions for that Event (i.e. ISSF Final Qualification Tournament Rio de Janeiro, BRA) where a quota place has been allocated to Australia, and there is no athlete who has achieved a QROG in that Event.
6. **ISSF World Cup Munich**, Germany (31 May-7 June) – For this event, athletes may be selected who have:
 - a) Met the Nomination Criteria to be nominated to the AOC for the 2024 Olympic Games; or
 - b) Finished with the highest Nomination Score in an Event at the conclusion of all Nomination Competitions for that Event (i.e. ISSF Final Qualification Tournament Rio de Janeiro, BRA) and where a quota place has been allocated to Australia, and there is no athlete who has achieved a QROG in that Event.

APPENDIX 3: TAIPEI GP SELECTION PROCESS

To be selected in accordance with clause 7 c) of the 2024 Shooting Australia ISSF World Cups and Grand Prix Selection Criteria, which states: *“Should any further WCs or GPs be added to the calendar by the ISSF then selection of any Australian athletes will be at the absolute discretion of the Panel.”*

Subject always to clauses 5 and 6, the athletes to compete in the Events listed in clause 4 may be selected considering the following Factor/s:

1. The purpose of this competition opportunity is to provide future cycle athletes with an opportunity to grow their skills at an international competition.
2. If an athlete is selected and chooses not to accept, the Selection Panel may select additional athlete/s.
3. Athletes age-eligible for the 2024 Junior World Championships will not be selected.
4. Athletes who have been selected to an Olympic Team previously will not be selected.
5. The 2024 Olympic Nomination Leaderboard will determine the order of selection in each Event:
 - a) Where there are less than six (6) eligible athletes (refer clause 6 and Appendix 3 points 3 and 4 for eligibility) on the 2024 Olympic Nomination Leaderboard, up to three (3) athletes may be selected per Event.
 - b) Where there are more than six (6) eligible athletes (refer clause 6 and Appendix 3 points 3 and 4 for eligibility) on the 2024 Olympic Nomination Leaderboard, up to five (5) athletes may be selected.
 - c) The highest three (3) ranked eligible athletes will be selected and entered as eligible to compete for the final.
 - d) If any further athletes are selected, they will be entered as Ranking Points Only (RPO).