



COMPETITION SELECTION CRITERIA  
2025 ISSF WORLD CUP, GP & OTHER  
EVENTS

SHOTGUN ATHLETES

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## 1. BACKGROUND

- a) This Competition Criteria, together with the General Criteria, details the process established by Shooting Australia (SA) for the selection of athletes to Australian Teams in shotgun events (Team) at ISSF World Cups (WC), ISSF Grand Prix (GP) and Other International Events (Other Events). Other Events are those events where the Local Organising Committee requires the National Federation, i.e. SA, to enter athletes and SA has determined to send a team as part of the National Program.
- b) For the avoidance of doubt, each selection of athletes to the Team for each event in each competition is an independent occurrence, and the selection of any athlete to the Team for one competition or event has no bearing on selections to the Team for any other competition or event.

## 2. AMENDMENTS TO COMPETITION CRITERIA

- a) SA may amend this Competition Criteria from time to time. If amended, the amended Criteria will be distributed by:
  - (i) posting it on the SA website [www.shootingaustralia.org](http://www.shootingaustralia.org) and social media platforms;
  - (ii) email to members of the SA National Squad and people subscribed to other distribution lists.
- b) Any amendments to this Competition Criteria shall take effect immediately on publication by SA.
- c) Any failure to give any notice or follow any process under this Competition Criteria does not invalidate such notice or process and does not give rise to an appeal in respect to the notice or process.

## 3. TEAM SIZE

- a) Up to five (5) athletes may be selected for Trap (i.e. Men and Women) and Men's Skeet to each WC, GP or Other Event by the Panel.
- b) Up to three (3) athletes may be selected for Women's Skeet to each WC, GP or Other Event by the Panel.
- c) Where there are four (4) or more athletes selected, the Panel will determine which athletes are entered as Ranking Points Only (RPO), if required by the Event Rules.
- d) Neither this Competition Criteria, nor SA, nor ISSF require SA to select any, or the maximum number of, athletes to the Team for any WC, GP or Other Event. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Competition Criteria operates to require the Panel to exercise any discretion to select any athletes to the Team or fill all available positions on the Team.
- e) Final Team members and composition of the Team are determined at the absolute discretion of the Panel.

#### 4. SELECTION PROCESS

- a) Subject always to the General Criteria and clauses 1,2 and 3 of this Competition Criteria, the athletes to compete in the Team may be selected by the Panel according to the Selection Process for each event.
- (i) **Amir Grand Prix Lusail, Doha** (13-21 February)
- A. National Squad Athletes who are Categorised at Podium level may be selected.
- (ii) **World Cup Buenos Aries, Argentina** (1-11 April) **AND World Cup Lima, Peru** (13-22 April)
- A. There will be one Team selected to compete at both WCs.
- B. National Squad Athletes may be selected. WC positions may first be assigned to National Squad Athletes who are Categorised, then National Squad Athletes who are not Categorised.
- C. After this process and subject always to clause 3, any remaining places may be filled at the sole and absolute discretion of the Panel, using the APS Leaderboard to rank athletes for selection.
- D. The Performance Window will be 1/1/2024 to 20/1/2025 to select athletes in APS ranking order.
- (iii) **World Cup Nicosia, Greece** (3-12 May)
- A. Athletes selected for the WCs at 4(a)(ii) will not be selected for the Nicosia WC.
- B. National Squad Athletes may be selected. WC positions may first be assigned to National Squad Athletes who are Categorised, then National Squad Athletes who are not Categorised.
- C. After this process and subject always to clause 3, any remaining places may be filled at the sole and absolute discretion of the Panel, using the APS Leaderboard to rank athletes for selection.
- D. The Performance Window will be 1/1/2024 to 24/3/2025 to select athletes in APS ranking order.
- (iv) **World Cup Lonato, Italy** (4-14 July)
- A. The purpose of this event is to prepare athletes for the 2025 World Championships. Therefore, WC positions may be allocated to the athletes ranked in the top three (3) on the 2025 World Championships Selection Leaderboard at the end of the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) Selection Event.
- B. At the sole and absolute discretion of the Panel, and in accordance with the purpose of this event, additional athletes may be selected. As a guide only, the athletes who may considered for selection may be those athletes in fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) or fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) position on the 2025 World Championships Selection Leaderboard.
- b) Without in any way limiting the discretion of the Panel, when selecting National Squad Athletes (i.e. Categorised or not Categorised) to the Team, the Panel may consider any of the following Factors (Factors), and in no particular order:
- (i) How the WC, GP or Other Event will contribute to the progression of the athlete towards future eligibility, qualification and preparation for podium performances at Benchmark Events (**BME**) and Pinnacle Events (**PE**).
- (ii) International performances in 2023 and 2024 including qualifying and finals as well as head-to-head performances.
- (iii) All domestic performances in SA-endorsed events since 1 January 2024 including qualifying and finals as well as head-to-head performances.
- (iv) Regular access to an appropriate high-performance daily training environment.



- (v) Commitment to a National Coach-directed plan of domestic and international competition.
  - (vi) A demonstrated commitment to high-performance choices and behaviours that will contribute to BME and PE podium performances in the future, including and maintaining the highest levels of personal excellence.
  - (vii) Any other factors the Panel considers relevant.
- c) The discretion granted to the Panel in clauses 4(a) and (b) above is absolute and it need not be exercised. In exercising its discretion, the Panel may consider any Factor or a combination of Factors that is, in the opinion of the Panel, relevant for consideration when selecting athletes to the Team and may attribute whatever weight it deems appropriate to any Factor when making its decision. For the avoidance of doubt, the Panel is not required to consider or rely on any or all of the Factors in the exercise of its discretion to make a decision. For example, the Panel may rely on one (1) Factor, two (2) Factors, three (3) Factors, etc., a combination of Factors or no Factors in exercising its discretion.