

## 2026 OFFICIATING SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

### EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Shooting Australia (SA) is seeking Expressions of Interest from individuals who are interested in further developing their officiating skills and experience in ISSF and WSPS.

SA will include up to 9 individuals (3 pistol, 3 rifle and 3 shotgun) in the 2026 Officiating Scholarship Program.

**Expressions of Interest are now open and close on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Successful candidates will be notified by 19th December.**

**To be eligible for inclusion in the 2026 Officiating Scholarship Program, you must:**

- Be endorsed by the respective Member Organisation (MO) (i.e. Australian Clay Target Association, Target Rifle Australia and Target Pistol Australia) as suitable to be included in the program as a trainee ISSF Judge B and/or ISSF Referee (Shotgun);
- Be a current member of the MO for your chosen discipline;
- Have completed the MO officiating course that best aligns with an officiating pathway into ISSF and WSPS;
- Be able to show that you have had active involvement in officiating at events for your chosen discipline (ISSF and WSPS and/or non ISSF and WSPS);
- Have a basic understanding of ISSF and WSPS;
- Be demonstrating a commitment to an officiating pathway that includes international in international appointments, particularly those leading into and including the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and/or Paralympic Games;
- Have a current Working with Children Check (WWCC) or be willing to ascertain one
- Hold a current Firearms Licence in your home state or territory;
- Be willing to comply with SA's [Officiating Handbook](#);
- Ensure you are familiar with the National Integrity Framework as adopted by SA through Sport Integrity Australia and be willing to complete some online Sport Integrity Australia education;
- Be willing to sign a Letter of Engagement for inclusion in the program; and
- Not be involved in any disciplinary or integrity matters that impacts your eligibility to be considered for this program.

**As a 2026 Officiating Scholarship Program member, you will have access to:**

- Mentoring from senior experienced and knowledgeable officials
- A minimum of three SA Domestic Endorsed Events to further develop your knowledge and experience (these events may include both intrastate and interstate events within your preferred discipline and SA will cover any flight, accommodation, transport and meal requirements.)

**At the conclusion of the 2026 Officiating Scholarship Program, you will:**

1. Demonstrate and display the knowledge of current ISSF and WSPS rules and protocols, including Finals Procedures across your chosen discipline.
2. Exhibit articulate communication skills with all involved in the Field of Play, including the Technical Delegate and Jury representatives.
3. Be proficient in:
  - a. Equipment and scoring mechanisms used on the range
  - b. Field of Play readiness for the commencement of competition both in qualifying and Finals
  - c. Ensuring the correct order of proceedings at the commencement of qualification and Finals
  - d. Confirming correct compliance with the applicable dress code including the display of athlete Bibs as required
  - e. Your ability to speedily and confidently deal correctly with any protests or conflict from athletes
  - f. your ability to make accurate notes of any range incident and present before a jury if required
  - g. Giving articulate and direct instructions as required
  - h. Enforcing all range safety requirements for athletes and observers
  - i. Liaising with the SA Sport Development, Event and Communication Manager in relation to logistics, progress and feedback through the program

**ISSF Licence**

At the conclusion of the 2026 Officiating Scholarship Program, if you have demonstrated key competencies, SA will facilitate your enrolment in an ISSF Officiating Course to ascertain the applicable ISSF Judge B and/or ISSF Referee (Shotgun) licence.

**Interested in being considered?**

If you are interested in being considered for the 2026 Officiating Scholarship Program, please email [jane@shootingaustralia.org](mailto:jane@shootingaustralia.org) with responses to the following questions by **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December**:

- a) Why would you like to be considered for the 2026 Officiating Scholarship Program?
- b) Do you meet the eligibility criteria for inclusion in the Program?
- c) What is your preferred discipline?
- d) What State/Territory you currently reside in?
- e) What level of officiating qualification do you have from your national body?
- f) What officiating experience do you have?
- g) What is your long-term officiating goal/objective?