



COMPETITION SELECTION CRITERIA
2026 ISSF JUNIOR WORLD
CHAMPIONSHIPS

PISTOL AND RIFLE 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 the Australian Team (Team) for the ISSF Junior World Championships (JWCH) in Suhl, Germany from 16-26 June.
- 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 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 six (6) athletes may be selected per event to the Team for the JWCH by the Panel.
- b) A maximum of three (3) athletes from one nation (i.e. the three top-ranked after Qualification) may proceed to the Final.
- c) 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 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.
- d) Final Team members and composition of the Team are determined in the absolute discretion of the Panel.

4. MINIMUM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS (MPS)

- a) Please refer to clause 6 of the General Criteria for information related to Average Performance Scores (APS) and MPS'.
- b) To be eligible for consideration for selection to this Team athletes must have achieved an APS that meets or exceeds the MPS for the relevant event as detailed in clause 4(c).

c) The MPS for each event is as follows:

PISTOL				
AGE GROUP (YOB)	10M AIR PISTOL MEN	25M RAPID FIRE PISTOL MEN	10M AIR PISTOL WOMEN	25M PISTOL WOMEN
ISSF Junior (21-20-19YO) YOB 2005-2006-2007	568.0	568.5	567.0	568.5
Youth (18YO or younger) YOB 2008 or later	566.0	566.0	564.5	566.0

RIFLE				
AGE GROUP (YOB)	10M AIR RIFLE MEN	50M 3 POSITION MEN	10M AIR RIFLE WOMEN	50M 3 POSITION WOMEN
ISSF Junior (21-20-19YO) YOB 2005-2006-2007	624.5	580.5	626.1	582.0
Youth (18YO or younger) YOB 2008 or later	623.1	578.5	624.9	579.5

d) The APS Performance Window for the JWCH is from 1 January 2025 until the conclusion of the last 2026 JWCH Selection Event for the discipline.

5. PROCESS FOR OBTAINING A JWCH SELECTION SCORE

a) The process for obtaining a Selection Score for the 2026 JWCH (**Selection Score**) is as follows:

- (i) Athletes have an opportunity to participate in up to four (4) JWCH Selection Events (**Selection Events**) to accumulate points (**Event Points**) that contribute to their JWCH Selection Score. Specific dates and locations of Selection Events are as follows:

PISTOL SELECTION EVENTS	#1	#2	#3	#4
NAME	SISC Cup 1	SISC Cup 1	BISC Cup 1	BISC Cup 1
DATES	19-23 February	19-23 February	26-30 March	26-30 March
LOCATION	SISC	SISC	BISC	BISC

RIFLE SELECTION EVENTS	#1	#2	#3	#4
NAME	SISC Cup 1	SISC Cup 1	BISC Cup 1	BISC Cup 1
DATES	19-23 February	19-23 February	26-30 March	26-30 March
LOCATION	SISC	SISC	BISC	BISC

- ii) 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 Air Rifle event who achieves a qualification score of 625.5 will be awarded 625.5 Event Points.
- iii) For the avoidance of doubt, the process for accumulating Event Points is the same for all JWCH Selection Events.

- iv) At the end of the Selection Events, each athlete will obtain a Selection Score which is calculated based on the combined total of the three (3) best Event Points achieved in the Selection Events.
- v) At the end of the Selection Events, Selection Scores for all eligible athletes will then be ranked from highest to lowest.

6. SELECTION PROCESS

- a) Subject always to the General Criteria and this Competition Criteria, the Selection Panel may select athletes to the Team according to the following process (**Selection Process**):
 - (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 6(a)(ii) of this Competition Criteria.
 - (ii) If there is a tie, the Panel in 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 January 2026 and the date of completion of the final Selection Event; or
 - B. An Athlete's international qualifying and finals performances at the 2025 ISSF Junior World Cup; or
 - C. At the absolute discretion of the Selection Panel.
- b) If 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 in its absolute discretion.

7. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES

- a) In determining whether an athlete has satisfied the criteria set out in clause 6 of this Competition Criteria, the Panel, at its absolute discretion, may consider any Extenuating Circumstances which prevented 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 Panel may result in a different athlete being selected to the Team. There is no obligation on SA or the 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 at the Selection Event 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 two (2) days of the conclusion of the event.