

USA SHOOTING RIFLE/PISTOL TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES

2023 Jr National Team and Jr World Cup Suhl/Jr World Championships – Rifle & Pistol

*****PENDING FURTHER ISSF INFORMATION*****

A. GENERAL

1. The 2023 Junior World Cup and World Championship participants will be selected from the top-scoring U.S. citizens under these USA Shooting Policies and Procedures.
2. Qualifying and selected athletes must meet International Olympic Committee (IOC), United States Olympic Committee (USOC) and International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) eligibility criteria. See USA Shooting Policies and Procedures, Section II regarding eligibility criteria.
3. Team members will be selected based on tryout performance. There will be no subjective selection unless stated and detailed in procedures outlined below.
4. All athletes must sign and abide by the current USA Shooting Code of Conduct. No alterations to the Code of Conduct are permitted.
5. Athletes will occupy the Team position(s) they earn. Team positions will not be filled by non-firing athletes. World Cup Team members will be selected in Open categories only. Juniors are eligible to qualify for WC Open category event participation.
6. In the event of illness, injury or withdrawal of an athlete, the next highest ranked athlete from the team selection process will be added onto the team. When a vacancy occurs within 14 days of the competition the athlete qualified for, that slot will be left unfilled due to international, administrative, ticketing and visa requirements.
7. All Team slots earned must be accepted or declined within established suspense dates. Self-funding slots, if offered or applicable, must be accepted or declined by the stated suspense date and any required deposit for team travel must be received at USAS within 10 business days.
8. In the event of inclement weather, power outages, range and range equipment errors, or circumstances beyond the control of the organizing staff, the team selection course of fire may be altered as determined by the competition jury in conjunction with the match director, National Coach and designated Technical Delegate who is the final authority.
9. Funding will be budget dependent for all entries and will be communicated to the athletes once known

B. 2023 JUNIOR NATIONAL TEAM SELECTION

- Junior and Collegiate Athletes who are not already on the NT or NDT and who:
 - o Represent the USA in the major ISSF Junior Championship of the year in an Olympic event (World Championships); or
 - o Finish in the Top 3 Juniors at the USASNC; or
 - o Finish in the Top 3 Juniors at the USAS Junior Olympics; or
 - o Win the Individual NCAA Championships in air rifle or smallbore; or
 - o Finish in the top two USA NCAA season averages in air rifle or smallbore; or
 - o Win the Air Rifle 3-Position National Championship; or
 - o Qualify for an ISSF or equivalent international competition (El Salvador, Suhl, etc.); or
 - or
 - o Are selected through a coach/committee selection (athlete must apply for a position)

C. RIFLE/PISTOL INTERNATIONAL TEAM SELECTION PROCEDURES

1. Team trials and dates
 1. 2023 USAS National Junior Olympic Championships – April, 2023
2. Events to be contested
 1. Men's Air Rifle
 2. Women's Air Rifle
 3. Men's 3X20
 4. Women's 3X20
 5. Men's Air Pistol
 6. Women's Air Pistol
 7. Men's Rapid Fire
 8. Men's Sport Pistol
 9. Women's Sport Pistol
3. Number of courses of fire
 1. 2023 National Junior Olympic Championships - Two courses of fire in all events
4. Finals
 1. One ISSF final per Olympic event will be held at the selection match. Aggregate of two courses of fire will determine finalists. Finals start from zero and finals points will be awarded by finish position.
 1. Rifle Events
 1. **1st = 4.0 points 2nd = 3.5 points 3rd = 3.0 points 4th = 2.5 points. 5th = 2.0 points 6th = 1.5 points 7th = 1.0 point 8th = 0.5 point**
 2. Pistol events
 1. **1st = 8 points 2nd = 7 points 3rd = 6 points 4th = 5 points 5th = 4 points 6th = 3 points 7th = 2 points 8th = 1 point**
5. 2023 Junior World Cup and Jr World Championship selection:
 1. Rifle
 1. The highest-ranking individuals who is age eligible for each discipline will be selected to compete at the Jr World Cup and Jr World Championships based on selection rankings alone. Team Selection is done using the aggregate score at National Junior Olympic Championships only (NJOSC)

+ Finals Points) from highest to lowest ranking athlete. Non-Olympic events will first be offered to the corresponding Olympic event competitors (Prone offered to Smallbore)

2. Pistol

1. The highest-ranking individuals who is age eligible for each discipline will be selected to compete at the Jr World Cup and Jr World Championships based on selection rankings alone. Team Selection is done using the aggregate score at National Junior Olympic Championships only (NJOSC + Finals Points) from highest to lowest ranking athlete. Non-Olympic events will first be offered to the corresponding Olympic event competitors unless the event in question was competed (i.e. Sport Pistol at NJOSC).

3. Mixed Team Selection

1. Team slots for mixed team events will be selected as follows: Top two finishers in Men's Air Rifle and Air Pistol individual events. Top two finishers in Women's Air Rifle and Air Pistol individual events.
2. Exact team pairings can be reassigned as long as all team members and coach agree.

6. Team Qualification Tie Breaking Procedures

1. Ties in the events will be broken immediately following the last final by shooting a modified Gold Medal Match Final between the tied competitors with a 12-point target score.

D. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1. In the event of ISSF rule changes or USA Shooting budgetary/policy changes for 2023, the above selection procedures will be modified to adapt to the changes.