



**USA SHOOTING
2026 PARALYMPIC SELECTION PROCEDURES**

**OPEN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS
PARALYMPIC EVENTS**

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SUMMARY

This document outlines the procedures for selecting participants in the Paralympic events for 2026 International competitions. See *Appendix A for a calendar of the 2026 WSPS competitions*.

Selection Procedures for Olympic, non-Olympic, and non-Paralympic events are found in separate documents.

1. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Athletes must fulfill the following requirements to be eligible to compete in the 2026 international events covered by these Selection Procedures.

- Be a USA citizen with a valid passport.
- Be a USA Shooting member in good standing.
- Abide by the eligibility requirements of the International Paralympic Committee (IPC), World Para Shooting Sports (WSPS), the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC), the US Center for SafeSport, the United States Anti-Doping Agency (USADA), and the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA).

2. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 WSPS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: CHANGWON, KOR

Quick view: Selections for this competition are from the Qualifying Score Averages as of 14 days prior to the delegation entry deadline of the athletes who have a World Championships Minimum Qualification Score.

2.1. Eligibility

2.1.1. To be eligible for a nomination to compete in the 2026 WSPS World Championships, an athlete must have achieved a Minimum Qualification Score (MQS) at a WSPS recognized competition for one event between 01 January 2025 and 15 August 2026. An athlete may compete in multiple events if they have achieved the MQS score in each event. *The 2026 WSPS World Championships MQS Standards are in Appendix B.*

2.1.2. Performance Standard Scores will not apply to eligibility.

2.2. Ranking for the 2026 WSPS World Championships Selection

2.2.1. Nominations to compete in each event at the 2026 WSPS World Championships will be based on the ranking of eligible athletes (athletes

with a 2026 WSPS World Championship Minimum Qualification Score) using the 1-year rolling Qualifying Score Average.

- 2.2.2. The Qualifying Score Average posted 14 days prior to the official 2026 WSPS World Championships deadline for delegation entries will be used for ranking.
- 2.2.3. The Qualifying Score Average is the average of the Top Five (5) scores from designated competitions. At least three scores must come from Tier 1 competitions. At least one score must come from a competition within four (4) months of the official 2026 WSPS World Championships deadline for delegation entries. *The Qualifying Score Average and the competitions that count toward the Qualifying Score Average are described and listed in Appendix C.*

2.3. Individual Events

- 2.3.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all World Championship positions are filled or until all qualified athletes have received a nomination, whichever comes first.
- 2.3.2. Nominations must be accepted no later than one week before the official 2026 WSPS World Championships deadline for delegation entries. In the event an athlete accepts a nomination after the acceptance deadline and that entry can still be accepted by the competition's Organizing Committee, that athlete will not displace an athlete entered in an in-competition slot even if ranked higher in the Selection.

2.4. Mixed Team Events

- 2.4.1. Mixed Teams will be comprised of athletes competing in the corresponding Individual events.
- 2.4.2. **Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the World Championships Selection who are participating in the corresponding Individual events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 2.4.3. **Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the World Championships Selection who are participating in the corresponding Individual events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 2 nomination.
- 2.4.4. Athletes may decline a nomination to a Mixed Team and be replaced by the next ranked athlete up until the entry deadline for the event.

2.5. Team Events

- 2.5.1. Team Events (typically Three-Member Teams) will be filled by athletes who have qualified for the individual events and are in attendance at the competition. There will be no separate Team-only slots available.

- 2.5.2. Teams will be comprised of the highest ranked athletes in order of Selection ranking who are participating in the corresponding individual event.
- 2.5.3. If there are not enough athletes available from the corresponding individual event, athletes competing in other individual events can be nominated for a Team Event slot, provided they have a Minimum Qualifying Score in the corresponding individual event. Nominations will be offered in the order of Selection ranking of eligible athletes in that corresponding event.

2.6. Non-Olympic Individual and Team Events

- 2.6.1. Selections for all non-Olympic individual and team events are separate from these Selection Procedures and can be found on the USA Shooting website.

3. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 WSPS GRAND PRIX: AREQUIPA, PER

Quick view: Selections for this competition are from the Qualifying Score Averages as of 14 days prior to the delegation entry deadline.

3.1. Ranking for the 2026 WSPS Grand Prix Arequipa Selection

- 3.1.1. Nominations to compete in each event at the 2026 WSPS Grand Prix Arequipa will be based on the ranking from the 1-year rolling Qualifying Score Average.
- 3.1.2. The Qualifying Score Average posted 14 days prior to the official 2026 WSPS Grand Prix Arequipa deadline for delegation entries will be used for ranking.
- 3.1.3. The Qualifying Score Average is the average of the Top Five (5) scores from designated competitions. At least three scores must come from Tier 1 competitions. At least one score must come from a competition within four (4) months of the official 2026 WSPS Grand Prix Arequipa deadline for delegation entries. *The Qualifying Score Average and the competitions that count toward the Qualifying Score Average are described and listed in Appendix C.*

3.2. Individual Events

- 3.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all Grand Prix Arequipa positions are filled or until all National Team and National Development Team athletes have received a nomination, whichever comes first. National Team and National Development Team athletes must have a Qualifying Score Average that meets or exceeds the Performance Standard Score in that event to receive a nomination. *Performance Standard Scores are listed in Appendix D.*

- 3.2.2. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled at the National Paralympic Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee. Athletes eligible to fill development slots include:
 - 3.2.2.1. Current National Team, National Development Team, and National Futures Team members.
 - 3.2.2.2. Athletes needing classification who have at least one score in a Ranking Match (*Appendix C*) within 4 months of the competition that meets or exceeds the 2026 WSPS World Championships Minimum Qualifying Score (*Appendix B*).
- 3.2.3. Nominations must be accepted no later than one week before the official 2026 WSPS Grand Prix Arequipa deadline for delegation entries. In the event an athlete accepts a nomination after the acceptance deadline and that entry can still be accepted by the competition's Organizing Committee, that athlete will not displace an athlete entered in an in-competition slot even if ranked higher in the Selection.

3.3. Mixed Team Events

- 3.3.1. Mixed Teams will be comprised of athletes competing in the corresponding Individual events.
- 3.3.2. **Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the World Championships Selection who are participating in the corresponding Individual events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 3.3.3. **Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the World Championships Selection who are participating in the corresponding Individual events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 2 nomination.
- 3.3.4. Athletes may decline a nomination to a Mixed Team and be replaced by the next ranked athlete up until the entry deadline for the event.

3.4. Team Events

- 3.4.1. Team Events (typically Three-Member Teams) will be filled by athletes who have qualified for the individual events and are in attendance at the competition. There will be no separate Team-only slots available.
- 3.4.2. Teams will be comprised of the highest ranked athletes in order of Selection ranking who are participating in the corresponding individual event.
- 3.4.3. If there are not enough athletes available from the corresponding individual event, athletes competing in other individual events may be nominated for a Team Event slot. Nominations will be offered in the order of Selection ranking of athletes in that corresponding event.

3.5. Non-Olympic Individual and Team Events

- 3.5.1. Selections for all non-Olympic individual and team events are separate from these Selection Procedures and can be found on the USA Shooting website.

4. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 WSPS WORLD CUP: AL AIN, UAE

Quick view: Selections for this competition are from the Qualifying Score Averages as of 14 days prior to the delegation entry deadline.

4.1. Ranking for the 2026 WSPS World Cup Al Ain Selection

- 4.1.1. Nominations to compete in each event at the 2026 WSPS World Cup Al Ain will be based on the ranking from the 1-year rolling Qualifying Score Average.
- 4.1.2. The Qualifying Score Average posted 14 days prior to the official 2026 WSPS World Cup Al Ain deadline for delegation entries will be used for ranking.
- 4.1.3. The Qualifying Score Average is the average of the Top Five (5) scores from designated competitions. At least three scores must come from Tier 1 competitions. At least one score must come from a competition within four (4) months of the official 2026 WSPS World Cup Al Ain deadline for delegation entries. *The Qualifying Score Average and the competitions that count toward the Qualifying Score Average are described and listed in Appendix C.*

4.2. Individual Events

- 4.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all 2026 WSPS World Cup Al Ain positions are filled or until all National Team and National Development Team athletes have received a nomination, whichever comes first. National Team and National Development Team athletes must have a Qualifying Score Average that meets or exceeds the Performance Standard Score in that event to receive a nomination. *Performance Standard Scores are listed in Appendix D.*
- 4.2.2. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled by current National Team, National Development Team, and National Futures Team members at the National Paralympic Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 4.2.3. Nominations must be accepted no later than one week before the official 2026 WSPS World Cup Al Ain deadline for delegation entries. In the event an athlete accepts a nomination after the acceptance deadline and that entry can still be accepted by the competition's Organizing Committee,

that athlete will not displace an athlete entered in an in-competition slot even if ranked higher in the Selection.

4.3. Mixed Team Events

- 4.3.1. Mixed Teams will be comprised of athletes competing in the corresponding Individual events.
- 4.3.2. **Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the World Championships Selection who are participating in the corresponding Individual events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 4.3.3. **Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the World Championships Selection who are participating in the corresponding Individual events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 2 nomination.
- 4.3.4. Athletes may decline a nomination to a Mixed Team and be replaced by the next ranked athlete up until the entry deadline for the event.

4.4. Team Events

- 4.4.1. Team Events (typically Three-Member Teams) will be filled by athletes who have qualified for the individual events and are in attendance at the competition. There will be no separate Team-only slots available.
- 4.4.2. Teams will be comprised of the highest ranked athletes in order of Selection ranking who are participating in the corresponding individual event.
- 4.4.3. If there are not enough athletes available from the corresponding individual event, athletes competing in other individual events may be nominated for a Team Event slot. Nominations will be offered in the order of Selection ranking of athletes in that corresponding event.

4.5. Non-Olympic Individual and Team Events

- 4.5.1. Selections for all non-Olympic individual and team events are separate from these Selection Procedures and can be found on the USA Shooting website.

5. SELECTION FOR OTHER INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS REQUIRING ENTRIES THROUGH USA SHOOTING

Quick view: Selections for these competitions are from the Qualifying Score Averages as of 14 days prior to the delegation entry deadline.

5.1. Ranking for Other WSPS and Non-WSPS International Competition Selection

- 5.1.1. The Selection criteria used for nominations to compete in other WSPS and non-WSPS international competitions that require entries submitted through a country's federation will be based on the ranking from the 1-year rolling Qualifying Score Averages.
- 5.1.2. The Qualifying Score Average posted 14 days prior to the official deadline for delegation entries for that competition will be used for ranking.
- 5.1.3. The Qualifying Score Average is the average of the Top Five (5) scores from designated competitions. At least three scores must come from Tier 1 competitions. At least one score must come from a competition within four (4) months of the official deadline for delegation entries for that competition. *The Qualifying Score Average and the competitions that count toward the Qualifying Score Average are described and listed in Appendix C.*

5.2. Individual Events

- 5.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all competition positions are filled or until all National Team and National Development Team athletes have received a nomination, whichever comes first. National Team and National Development Team athletes must have a Qualifying Score Average that meets or exceeds the Performance Standard Score in that event to receive a nomination. *Performance Standard Scores are listed in Appendix D.*
- 5.2.2. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled by current National Team, National Development Team, and National Futures Team members at the National Paralympic Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 5.2.3. Nominations must be accepted no later than one week before the official deadline for delegation entries for that competition. In the event an athlete accepts a nomination after the acceptance deadline and that entry can still be accepted by the competition's Organizing Committee, that athlete will not displace an athlete entered in an in-competition slot even if ranked higher in the Selection.

5.3. Mixed Team Events

- 5.3.1. Mixed Teams will be comprised of athletes competing in the corresponding Individual events.
- 5.3.2. **Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the World Championships Selection who are participating in the corresponding Individual events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 5.3.3. **Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the World Championships

Selection who are participating in the corresponding Individual events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 2 nomination.

- 5.3.4. Athletes may decline a nomination to a Mixed Team and be replaced by the next ranked athlete up until the entry deadline for the event.

5.4. Team Events

- 5.4.1. Team Events (typically Three-Member Teams) will be filled by athletes who have qualified for the individual events and are in attendance at the competition. There will be no separate Team-only slots available.
- 5.4.2. Teams will be comprised of the highest ranked athletes in order of Selection ranking who are participating in the corresponding individual event.
- 5.4.3. If there are not enough athletes available from the corresponding individual event, athletes competing in other individual events may be nominated for a Team Event slot. Nominations will be offered in the order of Selection ranking of athletes in that corresponding event.

5.5. Non-Olympic Individual and Team Events

- 5.5.1. Selections for all non-Olympic individual and team events are separate from these Selection Procedures and can be found on the USA Shooting website.

6. SELECTION FOR OTHER INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS NOT REQUIRING ENTRIES THROUGH USA SHOOTING

6.1. Ranking for Selection

- 6.1.1. Athletes may enter any international competition that does not require entries submitted through a country's federation by requesting a sanction from USA Shooting. The sanctioning request must include how athletes are selected for the competition and how the participating athletes' health and well-being will be ensured (for example, by demonstrating that SafeSport protocols will be followed).
- 6.1.2. USA Shooting may enter athletes as a delegation in any international competition that does not require entries submitted through a country's federation. These are considered development slots and may be filled by current National Team, National Development Team, and National Futures Team members at the National Paralympic Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 6.1.3. Performance Standard Scores are not required to participate in international competitions that do not require entries through USA Shooting.

7. SUBSTITUTIONS

7.1. Substitutions for WSPS and Non-WSPS International Competitions

- 7.1.1. **WSPS Competitions:** If an athlete vacates a slot for any reason, the next ranked eligible athlete will be substituted into that slot as long as the substitution can be made within the WSPS's and Competition Organizing Committee's entry deadlines.
- 7.1.2. **Non-WSPS Competitions:** If an athlete vacates a slot for any reason, the slot may be filled by current National Team, National Development Team, and National Futures Team members at the National Paralympic Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 7.1.3. If the substitution occurs at the competition, substitutions will come from the athletes already in attendance at the competition. Substitutions will be offered in order of Selection ranking.
- 7.1.4. Reasons for vacating a slot include but are not limited to declining the nomination, withdrawing from the competition, being removed from the competition by USA Shooting for a Code of Conduct violation, and being removed from the competition or deemed ineligible to compete by the WSPS or the Competition Organizing Committee.

8. FUNDING FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

8.1. Funding Criteria

- 8.1.1. USA Shooting makes every effort to fund athletes competing in-competition at major international competitions. However, qualifying for a team or a competition does not guarantee funding. USA Shooting may fully fund, partially fund, or not fund an athlete to a competition.
- 8.1.2. All funding decisions for international competitions will be based on competition priorities (for example, Paralympic Quota opportunities) and on Selection rankings.
- 8.1.3. Only in-competition slots competing for medals are eligible for funding.

8.2. Self Funding

- 8.2.1. Athletes qualifying for a team or a competition may elect to self-fund their participation. The self-funding process is described in the USA Shooting Self-Funding Policies and Procedures.
- 8.2.2. All out-of-competition slots will be self-funded.
- 8.2.3. Athletes nominated to a WSPS Grand Prix for classification may elect to self-fund their participation.

9. PERFORMANCE STANDARD SCORES

Qualifying Score Averages that meet or exceed the Performance Standard Scores are required to qualify for the National Team and the National Development Team and to be eligible for an automatic nomination to international competitions that require entries submitted through a country's federation. *Performance Standard Scores are listed in Appendix D.*

10. FORCE MAJEURE CONTINGENCY

10.1. Force Majeure Contingency for USA Shooting Selection Matches

In the event that USA Shooting is unable to conduct a Selection Match as planned due to extraordinary circumstances beyond the control of USA Shooting (such as natural disasters), USA Shooting may alter the selection procedures upon approval by the USA Shooting Selection Committee, to include reducing courses of fire required for selection.

10.2. Force Majeure Contingency for WSPS Competitions and Other Non-WSPS International Competitions

USA Shooting reserves the right to cancel participation in any WSPS competitions or other non-WSPS international competitions to protect the safety and welfare of the athletes and staff. USA Shooting will make these decisions based on the guidance from the US Olympic and Paralympic Committee and the US State Department. A USA Shooting cancellation applies to the entire delegation.

11. TEAM USA ATHLETE OMBUDS

The Office of the Athlete Ombuds offers independent, confidential advice to elite Team USA athletes regarding their rights and responsibilities in the Olympic and Paralympic Movement, and assists athletes with a broad range of questions, disputes, complaints and concerns.

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Website: <https://www.usopc.org/athlete-ombuds>

APPENDIX A: 2026 WSPS COMPETITION CALENDAR

Dark green/bolded events are proposed LA28 Olympic Quota opportunities.

2026 WSPS Calendar

Dates	Competition	Location
Jan		
Feb		
Mar		
Apr		
May		
Jun		
Jul 9-16	WSPS Grand Prix Arequipa	Arequipa, PER
Aug		
Sep 7-18	WSPS World Championships	Changwon, KOR
Oct		
Nov		
Dec 7-19	WSPS World Cup Al Ain	Al Ain, UAE

APPENDIX B: WSPS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS MQS STANDARDS

Changwon 2026 WSPS World Championships



MQS

Athletes must have achieved a Minimum Qualification Score (MQS) at a WSPS recognised competition for one event between **01 January 2025 and 15 August 2026**. An athlete may compete in multiple events if they have achieved the MQS score in each event.

MQS Scores

Event	Discipline	Gender	Class	MQS
R1	10m Air rifle standing	Men	SH1	592
R2	10m Air rifle standing	Women	SH1	585
R3	10m Air rifle prone	Mixed	SH1	620.4
R4	10m Air rifle standing	Mixed	SH2	614.1
R5	10m Air rifle prone	Mixed	SH2	624.4
R6	50m Rifle prone	Mixed	SH1	598.7
*R7	50m Rifle 3 positions	Men	SH1	555
*R8	50m Rifle 3 positions	Women	SH1	525
R9	50m Rifle Prone	Mixed	SH2	602.8
P1	10m Air pistol	Men	SH1	532
P2	10m Air pistol	Women	SH1	500
P3	25m Sport pistol .22	Mixed	SH1	530
P4	50m Free pistol .22	Mixed	SH1	500
P5	10m Air Pistol Standard	Mixed	SH1	314
PT1	Trap Seated	Mixed	SG-S	60
PT2	Tran Standing (Lower Limb)	Mixed	SG-L	70
PT3	Trap Standing (Upper Limb)	Mixed	SG-U	65
VIS	10m VI Air rifle standing	Mixed	SH-VI	400
VIP	10m VI Air rifle prone	Mixed	SH-VI	550

*Pending official adoption of 3x20 in the new WSPS rulebook.

APPENDIX C: QUALIFYING SCORE AVERAGE AND RANKING MATCHES

The Qualifying Score Average used for ranking athletes within an event for Selection is the average of the Top Five (5) scores in that event from designated competitions over the last 12 months. The Qualifying Score Average refreshes on a rolling basis; for example, on June 10, 2026, scores from June 9, 2026 would roll out of the Qualifying Score Average.

At least three scores in the Qualifying Score Average must come from Tier 1 Competitions. No more than two scores from Tier 2 Competitions can be used in the Qualifying Score Average.

At least one score for Selection ranking is required to be within four (4) months of the official deadline for delegation entries for that competition.

2026 Ranking Matches

Tier 1 Matches

Dates	Year	Event	Location	Discipline
Feb 7	2026	NTCSC Monthly Match	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore
Mar 24–Apr 1	2026	Para Camp Matches (28, 31)	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore
Mar 28	2026	NTCSC Monthly Match	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore
Jun 6-11	2026	USAS National Championships	Anniston/Talladega, AL	Air/Smallbore
Jun 16-22	2026	Novi Sad Gran Prix	Novi Sad, Serbia	Air/Smallbore
Jul 9-16	2026	Arequipa Grand Prix	Arequipa, Peru	Air/Smallbore
Jul 21-31	2026	Novi Sad World Cup	Novi Sad, Serbia	Air/Smallbore
Aug 17-26	2026	Para Camp Matches (22, 25)	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore
Sept 7-18	2026	Changwon World Champ	Changwon Korea	Air/Smallbore
Oct 12-21	2026	Para Camp Matches (17, 20)	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore
Oct 17	2026	NTCSC Monthly Match	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore
Dec 7-19	2026	Al Ain World Cup	Al Ain, UAE	Air/ Smallbore
Dec 10-13	2026	Winter Air Gun	Colorado Springs, CO	Air

Tier 2 Matches

No more than two scores may count toward the Qualifying Score Average

Dates	Year	Event	Location	Discipline
Jan	2026	Camp Perry Open	Camp Perry, OH	Air
Jan 17	2026	NTCSC Monthly Match	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore
Mar	2026	CMP Monthly Match	Camp Perry/Anniston	Air
April 8–13	2026	USAS JO Rifle/Pistol	Anniston/Talladega, AL	Air/Smallbore
April	2026	CMP Monthly Match	Camp Perry/Anniston	Air
April	2026	Texas Regional Games	San Antonio, TX	Air
May 16	2026	NTCSC Monthly Match	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore
July	2026	CMP National Championships	Camp Perry, OH	Air/ Smallbore
Sept 19	2026	NTCSC Monthly Match	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore

Sept	2026	Jaguar Marksmanship	San Antonio, TX	Air
Sept	2026	CMP Monthly Match	Camp Perry/Anniston	Air
Oct	2026	CMP Monthly Match	Camp Perry/Anniston	Air
Oct	2026	Jaguar Marksmanship	San Antonio, TX	Air
Oct	2026	Dixie Double	Anniston, AL	Air
Nov	2026	CMP Monthly Match	Camp Perry/Anniston	Air
Nov 21	2026	NTCSC Monthly Match	Colorado Springs, CO	Air/Smallbore

Periodic updates to the designated Ranking Matches are posted on the USA Shooting website.

Other Domestic and International Ranking Matches Through a Petition

Athletes and Match Organizers may petition to have a competition included as a Ranking Match in order to expand opportunities and development of Para Shooting Sports. Athletes may petition to have an international competition designated as a Tier 1 or a Tier 2 Ranking Match. Match Organizers may petition to have a domestic competition designated as a Tier 2 Ranking Match, or to have a match that includes significant international participation designated as a Tier 1 or Tier 2 Ranking Match.

Criteria considered will be:

- Tier 1 Ranking Matches should be major international competitions.
- Tier 2 Ranking Matches should be Regional or National in scope.
- A match approved through a petition should be considered a major competition of the year, not part of a weekly or monthly series. A Match Organizer may declare one match of a series to be the major competition of the year.
- The match should include a high level of competition, defined as including competitors capable of shooting National Team Performance Standard scores.
- The course of fire must be the current ISSF/WSPS course of fire.
- Paralympic Classification Rules and equipment requirements must be enforced.
- Range facilities should be world-class and must use electronic targets.
- Submitting results from previous years that demonstrate the level of the competition is preferred.

A Petition to have a competition designated as a Ranking Match can be submitted to USA Shooting and will be reviewed/approved by the National Coach and High-Performance staff. Petitions should include the following information:

- Club or Organization Name:
- Location:
- Dates:
- Expected competitor count:
- Class of competitors:

- Previous results from the competition:
- Awards
- Any other pertinent information we should know

Petitions must be emailed at least 60 days prior to the start of the competition to:

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National Paralympic Coach and Manager, USA Shooting
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APPENDIX D: PERFORMANCE STANDARD SCORES

Performance Standard Scores are based on international benchmarks, using average scores from major WSPS competitions over two-year periods from the Paralympic Games to the World Championships or the World Championships to the Paralympic Games. Competitions included in setting the Performance Standard Scores are the Paralympics, WSPS World Championships, and WSPS World Cups.

The 2026 National Team Performance Standard Score is the average 8th place score from the major WSPS competitions within the two-year period from the 2022 WSPS World Championships through the 2024 Paralympics.

The 2026 National Development Team Performance Standard Score is the average 16th place score from the major WSPS competitions within the two-year period from the 2022 WSPS World Championships through the 2024 Paralympics. If a competition had less than 28 competitors, the 50th percentile score was used in the average (for example, if there were 26 competitors, the 13th place score was used).

Athletes are considered to be Performance Standard Score qualified when their Qualifying Score Average is at or above the Performance Standard Score.

2026 Performance Standard Scores

PISTOL Events	NPT (8th Place)	NPDT (16th Place)
P1 Men's 10m SH1	563	555
P2 Women's 10m SH1	552	545
P3 Mixed 25m SH1	563	554
P4 Mixed 50m SH1	527	519

RIFLE Events	NPT (8th Place)	NPDT (16th Place)
R1 10m Men's Standing SH1	613.0	610.5
R2 10m Women's Standing SH1	617.6	614.8
R3 10m Mixed Prone SH1	632.0	629.7
R4 10m Mixed Standing SH2	629.4	626.7
R5 10m Mixed Prone SH2	635.0	632.9
R6 50m Mixed Prone SH1	617.5	613.5
R7 50m Men's 3 position SH1	1138	1130
R8 50m Women's 3 position SH1	1143.0	1110
R9 50m Mixed Prone SH2	620.2	617.4