



**USA SHOOTING  
2026 PISTOL SELECTION PROCEDURES**

**OPEN INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS  
OLYMPIC EVENTS**

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## SUMMARY

This document outlines the procedures for selecting participants in the Open Class Olympic Pistol events for 2026 International competitions. *See Appendix A for a calendar of the 2026 ISSF competitions.*

Selection Procedures for Junior Class, Paralympic, 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 Shooting Sports Federation (ISSF), 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 ISSF WORLD CUP 1: GRANADA, ESP

*Quick view: Selections for this competition are from the Final 2025 Ranking List.*

### 2.1. Ranking for the World Cup Granada Selection

- 2.1.1. Nominations to compete in World Cup Granada will be based on the Final 2025 Ranking List (*Appendix B*).
- 2.1.2. The 2025 Final Ranking List is based on 2025 Selection Procedures.
- 2.1.3. Only National Team and National Development Team members on the Final 2025 Ranking List will be eligible for nominations.

### 2.2. Individual Events

- 2.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all World Cup positions are filled or until all 2025 Ranking List National Team and National Development Team members have received a nomination, whichever comes first.
- 2.2.2. Nominations must be accepted no later than March 1, 2026. 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.

### **2.3. Mixed Team Events**

- 2.3.1. Mixed Teams will be comprised of athletes competing in the Individual Air Pistol events.
- 2.3.2. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the World Cup Granada Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 2.3.3. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the World Cup Granada Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 2 nomination.
- 2.3.4. Athletes may decline a nomination to a Mixed Team and be replaced by the next ranked athlete no later than noon two days prior to the start of the Mixed Team event (ISSF Rule 6.18.1.4).

## **3. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 ISSF WORLD CUP 2: MUNICH, GER**

*Quick view: Selections for this competition are from the 2026 Spring Selection Match. The same Selection results will be used for World Cup Hangzhou.*

### **3.1. Ranking for the World Cup Munich Selection**

- 3.1.1. Nominations to compete in World Cup Munich will be based on the results of the March, 2026, USA Shooting Spring Selection Match held in Colorado Springs, CO.
- 3.1.2. The ranking used for Selection will be from the aggregate of two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire and one (1) Final.
  - 3.1.2.1. Athletes will qualify for the Final based on the aggregate of the two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire.
  - 3.1.2.2. Athletes will carry their aggregate qualification score into the Final (the Final will not start from zero). The score from each Finals shot will be added to the aggregate qualification score. Eliminations will occur after the same number of shots as in an ISSF Final but will be based on the total of the aggregate qualification score and all Finals shots up to that elimination point. *See Appendix C for an example of how the combined qualification and Finals scores will be used for eliminations.*
- 3.1.3. Only the Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) will be eligible for a nomination.

### **3.2. Individual Events**

- 3.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all World Cup positions are filled or until all Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) have received a nomination, whichever comes first.
- 3.2.2. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled by current National Team and National Development Team members at the National Shotgun Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 3.2.3. Nominations must be accepted no later than April 1, 2026. 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 Individual Air Pistol events.
- 3.3.2. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the World Cup Munich Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 3.3.3. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the World Cup Munich Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol 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 no later than noon two days prior to the start of the Mixed Team event (ISSF Rule 6.18.1.4).

## **4. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 ISSF WORLD CUP 3: HANGZHOU, CHN**

*Quick view: Selections for this competition are from the 2026 Spring Selection Match. The same Selection results will be used for World Cup Munich.*

### **4.1. Ranking for the World Cup Hangzhou Selection**

- 4.1.1. Nominations to compete in World Cup Hangzhou will be based on the results of the March, 2026, USA Shooting Spring Selection Match held in Colorado Springs, CO.
- 4.1.2. The ranking used for Selection will be from the aggregate of two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire and one (1) Final.
  - 4.1.2.1. Athletes will qualify for the Final based on the aggregate of the two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire.

- 4.1.2.2. Athletes will carry their aggregate qualification score into the Final (the Final will not start from zero). The score from each Finals shot will be added to the aggregate qualification score. Eliminations will occur after the same number of shots as in an ISSF Final but will be based on the total of the aggregate qualification score and all Finals shots up to that elimination point. *See Appendix C for an example of how the combined qualification and Finals scores will be used for eliminations.*
- 4.1.3. Only the Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) will be eligible for a nomination.

#### **4.2. Individual Events**

- 4.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all World Cup positions are filled or until all Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) have received a nomination, whichever comes first.
- 4.2.2. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled by current National Team and National Development Team members at the National Shotgun Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 4.2.3. Nominations must be accepted no later than April 1, 2026. 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 Individual Air Pistol events.
- 4.3.2. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the World Cup Hangzhou Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 4.3.3. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the World Cup Hangzhou Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol 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 no later than noon two days prior to the start of the Mixed Team event (ISSF Rule 6.18.1.4).

## 5. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 ISSF WORLD CUP 4: CAIRO, EGY

*Quick view: Selections for this competition are from results of the 2026 USA Shooting National Championships. The same Selection results will be used for the World Championship Team and the Championship of the Americas Team.*

### 5.1. Ranking for the World Cup Cairo Selection

- 5.1.1. Nominations to compete in World Cup Cairo will be based on the results of the 2026 USA Shooting National Championships.
- 5.1.2. The ranking used for Selection will be from the aggregate of two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire and one (1) Final.
  - 5.1.2.1. Athletes will qualify for the Final based on the aggregate of the two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire.
  - 5.1.2.2. Athletes will carry their aggregate qualification score into the Final (the Final will not start from zero). The score from each Finals shot will be added to the aggregate qualification score. Eliminations will occur after the same number of shots as in an ISSF Final but will be based on the total of the aggregate qualification score and all Finals shots up to that elimination point. *See Appendix C for an example of how the combined qualification and Finals scores will be used for eliminations.*
- 5.1.3. Only the Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) will be eligible for a nomination.

### 5.2. Individual Events

- 5.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all World Cup positions are filled or until all Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) have received a nomination, whichever comes first.
- 5.2.2. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled by current National Team and National Development Team members at the National Shotgun Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 5.2.3. Nominations must be accepted no later than August 8, 2026. 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 Individual Air Pistol events.

- 5.3.2. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the World Cup Cairo Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 5.3.3. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the World Cup Cairo Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol 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 no later than noon two days prior to the start of the Mixed Team event (ISSF Rule 6.18.1.4).

## 6. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 ISSF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS: DOHA, QAT

*Quick view: Selections for this competition are from results of the 2026 USA Shooting National Championships. The same Selection results will be used for the World Cup Cairo and the Championship of the Americas Team.*

### 6.1. Ranking for ISSF World Championships Selection

- 6.1.1. Nominations to compete in the 2026 ISSF World Championships will be based on the results of the 2026 USA Shooting National Championships.
- 6.1.2. The ranking used for Selection will be from the aggregate of two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire and one (1) Final.
  - 6.1.2.1. Athletes will qualify for the Final based on the aggregate of the two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire.
  - 6.1.2.2. Athletes will carry their aggregate qualification score into the Final (the Final will not start from zero). The score from each Finals shot will be added to the aggregate qualification score. Eliminations will occur after the same number of shots as in an ISSF Final but will be based on the total of the aggregate qualification score and all Finals shots up to that elimination point. *See Appendix C for an example of how the combined qualification and Finals scores will be used for eliminations.*
- 6.1.3. Only the Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) will be eligible for a nomination.

### 6.2. Individual Events

- 6.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all World Cup positions are filled or until all Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) have received a nomination, whichever comes first.

- 6.2.2. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled by current National Team and National Development Team members at the National Shotgun Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 6.2.3. Nominations must be accepted no later than August 8, 2026. 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.

### **6.3. Mixed Team Events**

- 6.3.1. Mixed Teams will be comprised of athletes competing in the Individual Air Pistol events.
- 6.3.2. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the ISSF World Championships Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 6.3.3. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the ISSF World Championships Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 2 nomination.
- 6.3.4. Athletes may decline a nomination to a Mixed Team and be replaced by the next ranked athlete no later than noon two days prior to the start of the Mixed Team event (ISSF Rule 6.18.1.4).

### **6.4. Team Events**

- 6.4.1. 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.
- 6.4.2. Teams will be comprised of the highest ranked athletes in order of Selection ranking who are participating in the corresponding individual event.
- 6.4.3. 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 were a Finalist (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> place) in the corresponding individual event at the Selection. Nominations will be offered in the order of Selection ranking in that corresponding event.

### **6.5. Non-Olympic Individual and Team Events**

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

## 7. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 ISSF CHAMPIONSHIP OF THE AMERICAS: LIMA, PUR

*Quick view: Selections for this competition are from results of the 2026 USA Shooting National Championships. The same Selection results will be used for the World Cup Cairo and the World Championship Team.*

### 7.1. Ranking for the ISSF Championship of the Americas Selection

- 7.1.1. Nominations to compete in the 2026 ISSF Championship of the Americas will be based on the results of the 2026 USA Shooting National Championships.
- 7.1.2. The ranking used for Selection will be from the aggregate of two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire and one (1) Final.
  - 7.1.2.1. Athletes will qualify for the Final based on the aggregate of the two (2) ISSF qualification courses of fire.
  - 7.1.2.2. Athletes will carry their aggregate qualification score into the Final (the Final will not start from zero). The score from each Finals shot will be added to the aggregate qualification score. Eliminations will occur after the same number of shots as in an ISSF Final but will be based on the total of the aggregate qualification score and all Finals shots up to that elimination point. *See Appendix C for an example of how the combined qualification and Finals scores will be used for eliminations.*
- 7.1.3. Only the Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) will be eligible for a nomination.

### 7.2. Individual Events

- 7.2.1. Nominations will be extended in each individual event in order of ranking until all World Cup positions are filled or until all Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) have received a nomination, whichever comes first.
- 7.2.2. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled by current National Team and National Development Team members at the National Shotgun Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 7.2.3. Nominations must be accepted no later than August 8, 2026. 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.

### 7.3. Mixed Team Events

- 7.3.1. Mixed Teams will be comprised of athletes competing in the Individual Air Pistol events.
- 7.3.2. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 1** will be comprised of the highest ranked Male and highest ranked Female from the ISSF Championship of the Americas Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 1 nomination.
- 7.3.3. **Air Pistol Mixed Team USA 2** will be comprised of the second highest ranked Male and second highest ranked Female from the ISSF Championship of the Americas Selection who are participating in the Individual Air Pistol events and who accept the Mixed Team USA 2 nomination.
- 7.3.4. Athletes may decline a nomination to a Mixed Team and be replaced by the next ranked athlete no later than noon two days prior to the start of the Mixed Team event (ISSF Rule 6.18.1.4).

#### **7.4. Team Events**

- 7.4.1. 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.
- 7.4.2. Teams will be comprised of the highest ranked athletes in order of Selection ranking who are participating in the corresponding individual event.
- 7.4.3. 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 were a Finalist (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> place) in the corresponding individual event at the Selection. Nominations will be offered in the order of Selection ranking in that corresponding event.

#### **7.5. Non-Olympic Individual and Team Events**

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

## **8. SELECTION FOR THE 2026 ISSF WORLD CUP FINAL: ROME, ITA**

Participation in the 2026 ISSF World Cup Final is by ISSF invitation only and based on performances in the last 12 months of ISSF competitions. Details can be found on the ISSF website at <https://www.issf-sports.org/competitions/world-cup-final>

## 9. SELECTION FOR OTHER INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS REQUIRING ENTRIES THROUGH USA SHOOTING

### 9.1. Ranking for Selection

- 9.1.1. The Selection criteria used for nominations to compete in non-ISSF international competitions that require entries submitted through a country's federation will depend on the timeframe of the international competition.
- 9.1.2. **January 1 to May 15, 2026.** Initial nominations for individual and team slots in international competitions starting between January 1 and May 15, 2026, will be based on the Final 2025 Ranking List. Nominations will be given in order of ranking from the Final 2025 Ranking List until all available slots are filled or until all National Team and National Development Team members on the 2025 Final Ranking List have received a nomination, whichever comes first. Any remaining open slots will revert to development slots or remain unfilled. Development slots may be filled by current National Futures Team members at the National Pistol Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 9.1.3. **May 16 to July 31, 2026.** Initial nominations for individual and team slots in international competitions starting between May 16 and July 31, 2026, will be based on the 2026 USA Shooting Spring Selection Match. Nominations will be given in order of ranking from the results of the 2026 USA Shooting Spring Selection Match until all slots are filled or until all Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) have received a nomination, whichever comes first. 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 Pistol Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.
- 9.1.4. **August 1 to December 31, 2026.** Initial nominations for individual and team slots in international competitions starting between August 1 and December 31, 2026, will be based on the results of the 2026 USA Shooting National Championships. Nominations will be given in order of ranking from the results of the 2026 USA Shooting National Championships until all slots are filled or until all Top Five (5) ranked athletes (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) have received a nomination, whichever comes first. 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 Pistol Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.

## 9.2. **Nomination Deadline**

Nominations must be accepted no later than 7 days before the competition entry deadline listed by the competition organizing committee.

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

## 10.1. **Ranking for Selection**

10.1.1. 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).

10.1.2. 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 Pistol Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.

# 11. SUBSTITUTIONS

## 11.1. **Substitutions for ISSF and Non-ISSF International Competitions**

11.1.1. **ISSF 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 ISSF's and Competition Organizing Committee's entry deadlines. Athletes ranked in the Top Five (5) of the Selection (ranked 1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> place) are eligible to fill in as substitutions.

11.1.2. **Non-ISSF 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 Pistol Manager's discretion upon approval of the USA Shooting Selection Committee.

11.1.3. 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.

11.1.4. 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 ISSF or the Competition Organizing Committee.

## 12. FUNDING FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS

### 12.1. Funding Criteria

- 12.1.1. 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.
- 12.1.2. All funding decisions for international competitions will be based on competition priorities (for example, Olympic Quota opportunities), on Selection rankings, and on Performance Standard Scores. *Performance Standard Scores and funding eligibility levels are in Appendix D.*
- 12.1.3. Only in-competition slots competing for medals are eligible for funding.

### 12.2. Self Funding

- 12.2.1. 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.
- 12.2.2. All out-of-competition slots (Ranking Points Only (RPO) and Minimum Qualifying Score (MQS) slots) will be self-funded.

## 13. PERFORMANCE STANDARD SCORES

Performance Standard Scores will not be required to qualify to compete in ISSF competitions but can be used to qualify for funding. Performance Standard Scores are based on international benchmarks from the major ISSF competitions in the previous year. The full-funding eligibility benchmark is the average 8<sup>th</sup> place score after dropping the highest and lowest scores. The partial-funding eligibility benchmark is the average 20<sup>th</sup> place score after dropping the highest and lowest scores. *Performance Standard Scores and funding eligibility levels are in Appendix D.*

## 14. FORCE MAJEURE CONTINGENCY

### 14.1. 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.

**14.2. Force Majeure Contingency for ISSF Competitions and Other Non-ISSF International Competitions**

USA Shooting reserves the right to cancel participation in any ISSF competitions or other non-ISSF 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 cancelation applies to the entire delegation.

## 15. 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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## APPENDIX A: 2026 ISSF PISTOL COMPETITION CALENDAR

Dark green and bolded events are LA28 Olympic Quota opportunities.

### 2026 ISSF Calendar - Pistol

Dates	Event	Location
Jan		
Feb		
Mar		
Apr 5-13	ISSF World Cup 1	Granada, ESP
May 24-31	ISSF World Cup 2	Munich, GER
Jun		
Jul 20-29	ISSF World Cup 3	Hangzhou, CHN
Aug		
Sep		
Oct 8-16	ISSF World Cup 4	Cairo, EGY
<b>Nov 1-15</b>	<b>ISSF World Championships</b>	<b>Doha, QAT</b>
<b>Nov 21-Dec 1</b>	<b>Championship of the Americas</b>	<b>Lima, PER</b>
Dec 3-8	World Cup Final	Rome, ITA

## APPENDIX B: FINAL 2025 RANKING LIST

### Men's Air Pistol

NT Ranking Points = 575.0
NDT Ranking Points 572.0
Qualified for Ranking
Not Enough Scores to be Ranked

Rank	Name	Ranking Points
1	Nick Mowrer	574.8
2	Marcus Klemp	574.0
3	Jared Sonti	569.2
4	Sam Gens	569.2
5	Tim Schmeltzer	567.4
6	Sergey Kalinchenko	567.0
7	Reese Metzler	565.0
8	Nathan Lim	564.6
9	Colin Smith	564.6
10	Elie Arkin	559.0
11	Jason Gregoire	571.0
12	John Kish	570.0
13	Blaine Simpson	563.3
14	James Hall	562.8
15	Travis Jorgenson	562.5
16	Jay Shi	560.0
17	Mark Shen	559.8
18	Greg Markowski	558.0

### Women's Air Pistol

NT Ranking Points = 570.0
NDT Ranking Points 567.0
Qualified for Ranking
Not Enough Scores to be Ranked

Rank	Name	Ranking Points
1	Nathalia Tobar	588.0
2	Suman Sanghera	582.0
3	Lisa Emmert	576.0
4	Alexis Lagan	568.6
5	Kara Ehmer	557.2
6	Katelyn Abeln	565.0
7	Eva Allan	563.5
8	Sophie Li	562.0
9	Sandra Uptagrafft	558.5
10	Ada Korkhin	556.5

### Men's Rapid Fire Pistol

NT Ranking Points = 575
NDT Ranking Points 572
Qualified for Ranking
Not Enough Scores to be Ranked

Rank	Name	Ranking Points
1	Keith Sanderson	571.4
2	Nick Mowrer	562.0
3	Austin Stone	553.3
4	Blaine Simpson	551.3
5	Andrew Traciak	543.0

### Women's Sport Pistol

NT Ranking Points = 576
NDT Ranking Points 574
Qualified for Ranking
Not Enough Scores to be Ranked

Rank	Name	Ranking Points
1	Lisa Emmert	585.0
2	Katelyn Abeln	582.0
3	Martha Hall	552.6
4	Abbie Leverett	565.0
5	Riya Sallian	565.0
6	Eva Allan	559.0
7	Kara Ehmer	548.0

## APPENDIX C: USA SHOOTING FINALS ELIMINATION EXAMPLE

### Air Pistol

In this example, the following 8 athletes qualified for the Final by having the highest aggregate qualification scores:

Athlete A shot a 594 and a 595 = 1189  
 Athlete B shot a 594 and a 594 = 1188  
 Athlete C shot a 593 and a 592 = 1185  
 Athlete D shot a 593 and a 591 = 1184  
 Athlete E shot a 592 and a 590 = 1182  
 Athlete F shot a 591 and a 588 = 1179  
 Athlete G shot a 590 and a 587 = 1177  
 Athlete H shot a 588 and a 585 = 1173

In the USA Shooting carry-the-qualification-score Final, Athlete A would retain a 1-point lead over Athlete B going into the Final; Athlete C will have to make up 4 points in the Final to catch Athlete A.

The first stage of the Final includes two 5-shot series. In this example, the athletes shoot the following shots:

	S1	S2	S3	S4	S5	S6	S7	S8	S9	S10	Agg
Athlete A	10.5	10.3	10.1	10.8	9.9	10.5	10.6	10.3	10.1	10.0	103.1
Athlete B	10.3	10.4	10.6	10.0	10.7	10.8	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.5	104.2
Athlete C	9.1	9.8	10.3	10.2	10.6	9.7	9.7	10.0	10.1	9.9	99.4
Athlete D	10.2	10.2	10.4	9.7	10.0	9.8	10.4	10.7	10.0	10.0	101.4
Athlete E	8.8	9.5	9.4	10.2	10.5	10.1	10.7	9.2	10.3	9.9	98.6
Athlete F	10.5	10.4	10.6	10.1	10.5	10.3	10.8	10.2	10.4	10.4	104.2
Athlete G	9.7	10.5	10.4	10.3	9.6	10.3	10.2	10.1	10.4	10.5	102.0
Athlete H	10.2	10.3	10.4	10.0	10.0	10.6	10.3	10.7	10.2	10.1	102.8

In the USA Shooting carry-the-qualification-score Final, the two 5-shot series aggregate would be added to the qualification score, so the leaderboard would look like this at this point:

	Qual	Agg	Total
Athlete B	1187	104.2	1291.2
Athlete A	1188	103.1	1291.1
Athlete D	1184	101.4	1285.4
Athlete C	1185	99.4	1284.4
Athlete F	1179	104.2	1283.2
Athlete E	1182	98.6	1280.6
Athlete G	1177	102.0	1279.0
Athlete H	1173	102.8	1275.8

Athlete B has made up 1.1 points on Athlete A so far and now leads Athlete A by 0.1 points. Athlete C, who is struggling a bit, has lost the lead over Athlete D.

The Final then switches to pairs of single shots with eliminations after every two shots.

After the first pair of shots, shots 11 and 12, the lowest ranked athlete is eliminated:

	Qual	Agg	S11	S12	Total	
Athlete B	1187	104.2	10.2	10.3	1311.7	
Athlete A	1188	103.1	9.4	9.9	1310.4	
Athlete D	1184	101.4	10.2	10.6	1306.2	
Athlete F	1179	104.2	10.2	10.6	1304.0	
Athlete C	1185	99.4	8.8	9.7	1302.9	
Athlete E	1182	98.6	10.0	10.1	1300.7	
Athlete G	1177	102.0	10.2	10.2	1299.4	
Athlete H	1173	102.8	10.8	10.5	1297.1	Eliminated

After the second pair of shots, shots 13 and 14:

	Qual	Agg	S11	S12	S13	S14	Total	
Athlete B	1187	104.2	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	1332.4	
Athlete A	1188	103.1	9.4	9.9	10.0	9.4	1329.8	
Athlete D	1184	101.4	10.2	10.6	10.2	10.5	1326.9	
Athlete F	1179	104.2	10.2	10.6	10.1	10.5	1324.6	
Athlete C	1185	99.4	8.8	9.7	9.9	10.0	1322.8	
Athlete E	1182	98.6	10.0	10.1	10.7	10.5	1321.9	
Athlete G	1177	102.0	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.0	1319.7	Eliminated
Athlete H	1173	102.8	10.8	10.5			1297.1	Eliminated

After the third pair of shots, shots 15 and 16, Athlete C has dropped down and has been eliminated:

	Qual	Agg	S11	S12	S13	S14	S15	S16	Total	
Athlete B	1187	104.2	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.4	10.2	1353.0	
Athlete A	1188	103.1	9.4	9.9	10.0	9.4	9.8	9.9	1349.5	
Athlete D	1184	101.4	10.2	10.6	10.2	10.5	10.6	10.8	1348.3	
Athlete F	1179	104.2	10.2	10.6	10.1	10.5	9.7	9.1	1343.4	
Athlete E	1182	98.6	10.0	10.1	10.7	10.5	10.5	10.3	1342.7	
Athlete C	1185	99.4	8.8	9.7	9.9	10.0	9.6	10.0	1342.4	Eliminated
Athlete G	1177	102.0	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.0			1319.7	Eliminated
Athlete H	1173	102.8	10.8	10.5					1297.1	Eliminated

After the fourth pair of shots, shots 17 and 18:

	Qual	Agg	S11	S12	S13	S14	S15	S16	S17	S18	Total	
Athlete B	1187	104.2	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.4	10.2	10.7	10.4	1374.1	
Athlete A	1188	103.1	9.4	9.9	10.0	9.4	9.8	9.9	10.1	9.7	1369.3	
Athlete D	1184	101.4	10.2	10.6	10.2	10.5	10.6	10.8	10.1	10.3	1368.7	
Athlete F	1179	104.2	10.2	10.6	10.1	10.5	9.7	9.1	10.8	10.7	1364.9	
Athlete E	1182	98.6	10.0	10.1	10.7	10.5	10.5	10.3	9.8	9.8	1362.3	Eliminated
Athlete C	1185	99.4	8.8	9.7	9.9	10.0	9.6	10.0			1342.4	Eliminated
Athlete G	1177	102.0	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.0					1319.7	Eliminated
Athlete H	1173	102.8	10.8	10.5							1297.1	Eliminated

After the fifth pair of shots, shots 19 and 20:

	Qual	Agg	S11	S12	S13	S14	S15	S16	S17	S18	S19	S20	Total	
Athlete B	1187	104.2	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.4	10.2	10.7	10.4	10.1	10.4	1394.6	
Athlete A	1188	103.1	9.4	9.9	10.0	9.4	9.8	9.9	10.1	9.7	9.6	10.2	1389.1	
Athlete F	1179	104.2	10.2	10.6	10.1	10.5	9.7	9.1	10.8	10.7	10.5	10.9	1386.3	
Athlete D	1184	101.4	10.2	10.6	10.2	10.5	10.6	10.8	10.1	10.3	9.1	8.4	1386.2	Eliminated
Athlete E	1182	98.6	10.0	10.1	10.7	10.5	10.5	10.3	9.8	9.8			1362.3	Eliminated
Athlete C	1185	99.4	8.8	9.7	9.9	10.0	9.6	10.0					1342.4	Eliminated
Athlete G	1177	102.0	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.0							1319.7	Eliminated
Athlete H	1173	102.8	10.8	10.5									1297.1	Eliminated

After the sixth pair of shots, shots 21 and 22:

	Qual	Agg	S11	S12	S13	S14	S15	S16	S17	S18	S19	S20	S21	S22	Total	
Athlete B	1187	104.2	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.4	10.2	10.7	10.4	10.1	10.4	10.2	10.2	1415.0	
Athlete A	1188	103.1	9.4	9.9	10.0	9.4	9.8	9.9	10.1	9.7	9.6	10.2	9.6	10.1	1408.8	
Athlete F	1179	104.2	10.2	10.6	10.1	10.5	9.7	9.1	10.8	10.7	10.5	10.9	10.2	10.3	1406.8	Eliminated
Athlete D	1184	101.4	10.2	10.6	10.2	10.5	10.6	10.8	10.1	10.3	9.1	8.4			1386.2	Eliminated
Athlete E	1182	98.6	10.0	10.1	10.7	10.5	10.5	10.3	9.8	9.8					1362.3	Eliminated
Athlete C	1185	99.4	8.8	9.7	9.9	10.0	9.6	10.0							1342.4	Eliminated
Athlete G	1177	102.0	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.0									1319.7	Eliminated
Athlete H	1173	102.8	10.8	10.5											1297.1	Eliminated

After the last pair of shots, shots 23 and 24, the final ranking is complete:

	Qual	Agg	S11	S12	S13	S14	S15	S16	S17	S18	S19	S20	S21	S22	S23	S24	Total	
Athlete B	1187	104.2	10.2	10.3	10.3	10.4	10.4	10.2	10.7	10.4	10.1	10.4	10.2	10.2	10.4	10.9	1436.3	1st Place
Athlete A	1188	103.1	9.4	9.9	10.0	9.4	9.8	9.9	10.1	9.7	9.6	10.2	9.6	10.1	10.1	10.7	1429.6	2nd Place
Athlete F	1179	104.2	10.2	10.6	10.1	10.5	9.7	9.1	10.8	10.7	10.5	10.9	10.2	10.3			1406.8	3rd Place
Athlete D	1184	101.4	10.2	10.6	10.2	10.5	10.6	10.8	10.1	10.3	9.1	8.4					1386.2	4th Place
Athlete E	1182	98.6	10.0	10.1	10.7	10.5	10.5	10.3	9.8	9.8							1362.3	5th Place
Athlete C	1185	99.4	8.8	9.7	9.9	10.0	9.6	10.0									1342.4	6th Place
Athlete G	1177	102.0	10.2	10.2	10.3	10.0											1319.7	7th Place
Athlete H	1173	102.8	10.8	10.5													1297.1	8th Place

The in-competition slots from this Selection would go to the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place athletes. If any of those nominations are declined or if there are out-of-competition RPO slots available, they would be offered to athletes in the order of this final results ranking down to 5<sup>th</sup> place.

## APPENDIX D: PERFORMANCE STANDARD SCORES

Performance Standard Scores for funding eligibility are based on the average score from the major ISSF competitions in the previous year after dropping the highest and lowest scores.

2025 ISSF Events	8th Place Score Eligible for full funding				20th Place Score Eligible for partial funding			
	MAP	WAP	WSP	MRF	MAP	WAP	WSP	MRF
<i>WC Buenos Aires</i>	580	577	580	576	577	571	570	529
<i>WC Lima</i>	578	578	579	577	569	565	555	565
<i>WC Munich</i>	583	579	586	586	579	575	580	581
<i>WC Ningbo</i>	582	579	585	582	579	571	578	576
<i>WCH Cairo</i>	583	579	585	581	579	575	582	576
<b>PSS (Average after removing highest and lowest)</b>	<b>582</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>572</b>	<b>576</b>	<b>572</b>