



**2018 ISSF
WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS
SELECTION CRITERIA**

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1. BACKGROUND

- a) The International Shooting Sport Federation (**ISSF**) World Championship (**WChamps**) is conducted according to ISSF rules.
- b) The ISSF is conducting the WCHAMPS in 2018 and the details for this event are as follows:

Year	Discipline	Dates	Location
2018	All	31 st August to 14 th September	Changwon, KOREA

- c) Shooting Australia (**SA**) may select athletes (see clause 5) to the team (**Team**) to participate in one or more events at the WChamps. Subject to automatic selection under clause 7, SA is under no obligation to select the maximum number of athletes for any event.
- d) This Selection Criteria (**Selection Criteria**) details the process established by SA for the selection of athletes to represent Australia at the WChamps.

2. OBJECTIVES

- a) SA's objectives when selecting the Team are to:
 - (i) maximise the number of medals that SA can win in benchmark events including (but not limited to) the 2018 Senior World Championship and the 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games; or
 - (ii) use this benchmark event to provide junior athletes with exposure to high-quality international competition that will help to accelerate their development for 2020 and beyond.
- b) For the avoidance of doubt, the objectives outlined above are to provide context to the Selection Criteria only and in no way impact on the selection of the Team by the SA Selection Panel or the exercise of discretion (where exercised) by the SA Selection Panel.

3. SA SELECTION PANEL

- a) The SA Selection Panel will be made up of the SA (discipline) National Coach, the relevant SA Member Body's High Performance Committee Representative and the SA General Manager, High Performance (**SA Selection Panel**).
- b) The SA Selection Panel will select the Team according to the terms of this Selection Criteria.

4. EVENTS

- a) The SA Selection Panel may select athletes to the Team for the following events in either Senior or Junior (but not both) at the WChamps:

Olympic Events (senior and junior)

Discipline	Men's Events	Women's Events
Rifle	50m Rifle 3 Position	50m Rifle 3 Position
	10m Air Rifle	10m Air Rifle
Pistol	25m Rapid Fire Pistol	25m Pistol
	10 Air Pistol	10m Air Pistol
Shotgun	Trap	Trap
	Skeet	Skeet

Non-Olympic Events (senior and junior)

- b) In the event that there are any non-Olympic events at the WChamps, the SA Selection Panel, at its absolute discretion, may select athletes to compete in any Non-Olympic Event (Senior or Junior) in accordance with clauses 7 and 8.

Mixed Team Events

Discipline	Mixed Team Events
Rifle	10m Air Rifle
Pistol	10m Air Pistol
Shotgun	Trap

- c) Subject to paragraph 4d), in the event that there are any mixed events at the WChamps, the SA Selection Panel, at its absolute discretion, may select athletes to compete in any Mixed Team Event from amongst the Team selected in accordance with clause 7 and 8.
- d) As at the date of publication of this Selection Criteria the ISSF has not yet finalised the rules and regulations for eligibility, qualification or entry requirements for mixed team events. Accordingly, the provision relating to mixed team events is likely to be revised based on the ISSF determination and SA will update the terms of this Selection Criteria at such time.

5. TEAM SIZE

- a) Up to three (3) athletes may be selected to the Team per event by the SA Selection Panel. Neither this Selection Criteria, nor SA or ISSF require SA to select the maximum number of athletes to the Team. For the avoidance of doubt, subject to automatic

selection under clause 7, nothing in this Selection Criteria operates so as to require the SA Selection Panel to exercise any discretion to select any athletes to the Team or fill all available positions on the Team, and the final Team members and composition of the Team are determined at the absolute discretion of the SA Selection Panel.

6. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

- a) In order to be eligible for selection to the Team an athlete must:
- (i) be a registered financial member of a SA Member Body;
 - (ii) be eligible to compete for Australia in shooting events in future Olympic, World Championship and Commonwealth Games;
 - (iii) meet all eligibility requirements imposed by ISSF, including but not limited to any age requirements for Junior athletes; and
 - (iv) sign and abide by the SA Athlete Agreement as per clause 10.

7. SELECTION PROCESS

Senior Events

- a) Athletes to compete in Senior Olympic and Non-Olympic events at the WChamps will be selected to the Team according to the following process:
- (i) subject to clause 7(a)(ii), any athlete who achieves the relevant Performance Standard (see clause 8 which sets out the Performance Standards for Senior Olympic and Non-Olympic events) (**Performance Standard**) during the Performance Window (as defined in clause 7(b)) in an SA Endorsed Event will be selected to attend the WChamps in the event in which the relevant Performance Standard is achieved;
 - (ii) If more than three athletes in one event achieve the relevant Performance Standard during the Performance Window in an SA Endorsed Event then the SA Selection Panel at its sole and absolute discretion will select the athletes to the Team in the event in which the relevant Performance Standard is achieved from those athletes who achieved the relevant Performance Standard during the Performance Window and in an SA Endorsed Event only. Without in any way limiting the discretion of SA Selection Panel, in making a determination as to which athletes to select under this clause (if any), the SA Selection Panel may consider any of the following factors (the **Factors**):
 - A. International podium performances since 1st December 2017;

- B. international qualifying and finals performances since 1st December 2017;
 - C. international head-to-head performances since 1st December 2017;
 - D. all domestic performances since 1st December 2017 including qualifying and finals as well as head to head performances;
 - E. commitment to training and preparation for competition;
 - F. form and performance trends of the athletes; or
 - G. any other factors the SA Selection Panel considers relevant.
- (iii) The discretion granted to the SA Selection Panel in clause 7(a)(ii) above is absolute and it need not be exercised. In exercising its discretion, the SA Selection Panel may consider any Factor, or combination of Factors that is, in the opinion of the SA Selection Panel, relevant for consideration when selecting the Team and may attribute whatever weight it deems appropriate to any particular Factor when making its decision. For the avoidance of doubt, the SA Selection Panel is not required to consider, turn their mind to or rely on all the Factors in the exercise of their discretion to make a Selection Decision (for example, the SA Selection Panel is therefore entitled to rely on one Factor, two Factors, three Factors, etc. or a combination of a number of Factors in the exercise of discretion to make a selection decision).
- b) For the purposes of selection under clause 7(a), athletes must achieve the Performance Standard on or after 1st December 2017 and at least 45 days prior to the Official Arrival Day of the WChamps (**Performance Window**).
 - c) Athletes will not be eligible for selection to the Team where they have not achieved the Performance Standard during the Performance Window in an SA Endorsed Event.

Junior Events

- d) Athletes to compete in Junior Olympic and Non-Olympic Events at the WChamps will be selected to the Team according to the following process:
 - (i) Subject to clause 7(d)(ii), any athlete who achieves the relevant Junior Performance Standard (see clause 8 which sets out the Performance Standards for Junior Olympic and Non-Olympic events) (**Junior Performance Standard**) during the Performance Window (as defined in clause 7(e)), in an SA Endorsed Event, will be selected to attend the WChamps in the event in which the relevant Performance Standard is achieved.

- (ii) If more than three athletes in one event achieve the relevant Junior Performance Standard during the Performance Window in an SA Endorsed Event then the SA Selection Panel at its sole and absolute discretion will select the athletes to the Team in the event in which the relevant Performance Standard is achieved from those athletes who have achieved the relevant Junior Performance Standard during the Performance Window and in an SA Endorsed Event only. Without in any way limiting the discretion of SA Selection Panel, in making a determination as to which athletes to select under this clause (if any), the SA Selection Panel may consider any of the following factors (the **Factors**):
- A. International podium performances since 1st December 2017;
 - B. international qualifying and finals performances since 1st December 2017;
 - C. international head-to-head performances since 1st December 2017;
 - D. all domestic performances since 1st December 2017 including qualifying and finals as well as head to head performances;
 - E. commitment to training and preparation for competition;
 - F. form and performance trends of the athletes; or
 - G. any other factors the SA Selection Panel considers relevant.
- (iii) The discretion granted to the SA Selection Panel in clause 7(d)(ii) above is absolute and it need not be exercised. In exercising its discretion, the SA Selection Panel may consider any Factor, or combination of Factors that is, in the opinion of the SA Selection Panel, relevant for consideration when selecting the Team and may attribute whatever weight it deems appropriate to any particular Factor when making its decision. For the avoidance of doubt, the SA Selection Panel is not required to consider, turn their mind to or rely on all the Factors in the exercise of their discretion to make a Selection Decision (for example, the SA Selection Panel is therefore entitled to rely on one Factor, two Factors, three Factors, etc. or a combination of a number of Factors in the exercise of discretion to make a selection decision).
- (iv) If, after selections are made in accordance with clause 7(d)(i) and 7(d)(ii) (if any), there are still positions available on the Team then the SA Selection Panel may select any other A4G Squad athlete to the Team at its absolute discretion. When making any selection under this clause, the SA Selection Panel has discretion to consider the Factors listed at clause 7(d)(ii) above and the same considerations set out at clause 7(d)(iii) apply to the exercise of discretion by the SA Selection Panel under this clause.

- (e) For the purposes of selection under clause 7(d), athletes must achieve the Junior Performance Standard on or after 1st December 2017 and at least 45 days prior to the Official Arrival Day of the WChamps (**Performance Window**).

8. PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

Olympic Events - Senior

- a) The applicable Performance Standard for each Olympic event (i.e. benchmark score – 1 (BMS-1)) is, subject to clause 8(c), as follows:

Events	Men's BMS-1	Women's BMS-1	
		Before 1 Feb. 2018	After 1 Feb. 2018
50m Rifle 3 Position	1169	581	1162
10m Air Rifle	624.5	415.4	623
25m Rapid Fire Pistol	580		
25m Pistol		581	581
10 Air Pistol	579	382	573
Trap	120	69	115
Skeet	121	70	117

Olympic Events - Junior

- b) The applicable Junior Performance Standard for each Olympic event (i.e. junior benchmark score (JBMS)) is, subject to clause 8(c), as follows:

Events	Men's JBMS	Women's JBMS	
		Before 1 Feb. 2018	After 1 Feb. 2018
50m Rifle 3 Position	1152	576	1151
10m Air Rifle	620	413.7	620
25m Rapid Fire Pistol	563		
25m Pistol		569	569
10 Air Pistol	571	376	564
Trap	118	66	110
Skeet	119	66	110

- c) To be a valid score considered towards selection in the Team, the above Performance Standard must be achieved by the athlete at an SA Endorsed Event (and during the Performance Window). An SA Endorsed Event is an event that appears on the SA Calendar that is labelled as "SA Endorsed". The Calendar can be found at <http://www.shootingaustralia.org/calendar/>

Non-Olympic Events

- d) Subject to clause 8(c), the applicable Performance Standard for each non-Olympic event is equal to the third highest score achieved at the completion of qualification in the same event at the 2014 ISSF World Championships.

9. APPEALS PROCESS

- a) Appeals will be conducted in accordance with, and governed by, the procedures provided in the SA Appeals Process, a copy of which may be downloaded from the SA website: www.shootingaustralia.org or obtained by request from the SA office.

10. TEAM MEMBERSHIP

- a) Athletes selected to the Team are required to sign and abide by the SA Athlete Agreement to confirm their selection and agree to be bound by its terms and conditions and any such reasonable conditions as published from time to time.
- b) Acceptance of a position on a team for non-A4G Squad athletes must be made within seven days of notification. This position will be confirmed once SA has received a signed SA Athlete Agreement.
- c) In all cases, continuing membership of the Team is dependent on the athlete demonstrating to the relevant SA National Coach that they are maintaining a suitable training regime and where deemed necessary, attending such camps as determined by the SA National Coach. Athletes agree that the SA Selection Panel may remove an athlete from the Team where:
 - i. that athlete has not met SA's requirements in relation to training and participation in training camps as required by SA; or
 - ii. that athlete has not completed, signed and returned to SA the Team Agreement as required by SA.
- d) Any incident or act related to doping in breach of the relevant policies or any incident that could bring the sport into disrepute will result in the immediate withdrawal of the athlete(s) from the Team. In addition, these athletes may be subject to suspension pending an investigation and the outcome of any subsequent appeal.
- e) SA reserves the right to add or remove athletes from Teams where a need is clearly established. The SA General Manager, High Performance must approve such changes. Examples of where this may be necessary are, but are not limited to:
 - i. Injury/Illness;
 - ii. Bereavement leave/personal matters;

- iii. Discipline – Breach of Athlete Agreement; or
- iv. Team harmony and balance.

11. ANNOUNCEMENT

- a) The Team will be announced via the SA website: www.shootingaustralia.org at the conclusion of the selection process.
- b) SA will also contact A4G Squad(s) members and Member Bodies key contacts via email to notify them of the athletes that have been selected to the Team.

12. FUNDING AND LOGISTICS

- a) All entries, travel arrangements and payments to the relevant organising committee for the WChamps will be co-ordinated through SA. Subject to any funding provided by SA, athletes will be required to bear the cost of participation in the Team (**Participation Costs**), which will be advised to the athletes and are to be paid to SA in accordance with clause 12(e).
- b) The Participation Costs include, but are not limited to:
 - (i) Entry fees;
 - (ii) Travel;
 - (iii) Accommodation;
 - (iv) Ammunition for competition and unofficial training (shotgun);
 - (v) Unofficial training costs; and
 - (vi) Meal allowance through a daily per diem at a rate stipulated by SA.
- c) SA may choose to provide funding to certain athletes in the Team to offset the Participation Costs, subject to the availability of funds and at the total discretion of the National Coach, SA will determine the level of funding provided to each athlete on a case-by-case basis. In the cases of athletes who receive funding from SA, the funding will be provided in a reduction of their Participation Costs payable to SA. SA is under no obligation to invest in athletes equally.
- d) Non-A4G Squad athletes selected to the Team will not receive funding from SA and must pay the Participation Costs in full in order to participate in the WChamps.
- e) All payments of the Participation Costs to SA by an athlete must be paid in full to SA 7 days prior to the WChamps.
- f) Athletes agree and acknowledge that (where applicable) selection in the Team is subject to SA receiving payment of the Participation Costs, in accordance with clause 12(e), from the Athlete.

13. AMENDMENTS TO SELECTION CRITERIA

- a) SA may amend this Selection Criteria from time to time. If amended, the amended Selection Criteria will be distributed as follows:
 - (i) Posted on the SA website: www.shootingaustralia.org; and
 - (ii) Distributed to members of SA's A4G Squad.
- b) Any amendments to the Selection Criteria shall take effect immediately on publication by SA.