

2025 Pistol Selection Procedures Selections for Competitions

Selection to 2025 Teams

ISSF World Cup & World Championship Selection

A World Cup & World Championship Team Selection Date will be established for each World Cup & World Championship. The Ranking Points List that is current at the World Cup & World Championship Team Selection Date will be used to select the World Cup & World Championship participants.

- World Cup & World Championship slots in ISSF individual Olympic events will be offered to actively training National Team members in order from the Ranking Points List that is current up to that World Cup & World Championship Selection Date until all slots are filled in that event or until the National Team list is exhausted, whichever comes first. Selection does not guarantee financial support. Actively training means not on extended break waiver or is agreed to between the athlete and National Coach and/or High Performance Director. If the athlete and coach and/or High Performance Director do not agree, then the decision on whether an athlete is actively training will be decided by committee. The committee decision is final.
- Selection Dates:
 - o World Cup Buenos Aires – February 1, 2025: 8:00 am MST
 - o World Cup Lima – February 1, 2025: 8:00 am MST
 - o World Cup Munich –April 1, 2025: 8:00 am MST
 - o World Cup China – July 1, 2025 : 8:00 am MST
 - o World Championships – September 1, 2025: 8:00 am MST

All selection dates and locations are subject to change, related to ISSF calendars and due dates from host committees
- Unfilled World Cup & World Championship slots
 - o Declined and unfilled slots in ISSF individual Olympic events may revert to development slots and/or be filled through a committee selection or they may remain unfilled. While the order of athletes on the Ranking Points List will be considered as time allows, Development slots may be filled without regard to the order of athletes on the Ranking Points List, especially if competition due dates are close.
- ISSF Team Event slots
 - ISSF Team events at each World Cup & World Championship will be filled by athletes already at the tournament and in the order of their placement on the ranking list, on the date of selections for the World Cup & World Championship. The mixed teams will be filled by athletes already at the tournament representing USA Shooting: Team 1 comprised of the highest prioritized man and woman and Team 2

with the next highest prioritized man and women, unless each member involved and the national team Coach or his designee agree to different pairings.

- Non-Olympic Pistol events will be filled based on the ranking list for that event with participants already in the tournament.
- Declined Team Event slots will be passed down to next highest ranking athlete in that event who is already at the ISSF tournament and competing in the individual event.

ISSF Grand Prix and other International Match Selection

A Team Selection Date will be established for each Grand Prix and/or other international matches. Team slots may be filled by ranking list, committee selection, or not filled. While the order of athletes on the ranking list may be considered, slots may be filled without regard to the order of the athletes on the ranking list. This only applies to events that USA Shooting will be sending athletes to as USA Shooting representatives.

2025 Pistol Selection Procedures Selections for the USAS National Pistol Team

USAS National Pistol Team

The USA Shooting National Pistol Team includes the members of the National Team, the National Development Team, and the National Futures Team. Members of the USA Shooting National Pistol Team are eligible, but not entitled, to receive support from USA Shooting and represent the USA in international competitions.

National Team (NT) Selection

Eligible for automatic invitations to ISSF World Cup & World Championships.

Members of the National Team will include:

- Athletes who represent the USA in the major ISSF Open Championship-of-the-year (World Championships, Continental Championships, Olympic Games) in an Olympic event. Cut off scores may be adjusted throughout the season based on impact of ISSF rule changes on scores.
- Athletes whose Average Ranking Points meet or exceed the NT Qualifying Average Ranking Points.
- The current 2025 NT Qualifying Ranking Average for Pistol is:
 - Men's Air Pistol NT Qualifying Ranking Average Points: 575
 - Women's Air Pistol Qualifying Ranking Average Points: 569
 - Men's Sport Pistol Qualifying Ranking Average Points: 576//Rapid Fire: 575
 - Women's Sport Pistol Qualifying Ranking Average Points: 576

- One Time Scores for Pistol are as follows, and will be good for six months. If the one time score is achieved, it supersedes the NT Qualifying Ranking average:
 - Men's Air Pistol: 580
 - Women's Air Pistol: 576
 - Men's Sport Pistol: 580//Men's Rapid Fire: 582
 - Women's Sport Pistol: 582

National Development Team (NDT) Selection

Members of the National Development Team will include:

- Athletes whose Ranking Average Points meet or exceed the NDT Qualifying Ranking Average Points. Cut off scores may be adjusted throughout the season based on impact of ISSF rule changes on scores.
 - The current 2025 NDT Qualifying Ranking Average Points are:
 - Men's Air Pistol NT Qualifying Ranking Average Points: 572
 - Women's Air Pistol Qualifying Ranking Average Points: 567
 - Men's Sport Pistol Qualifying Ranking Average Points: 574//Rapid Fire: 570
 - Women's Sport Pistol Qualifying Ranking Average Points: 574

National Futures Team (NFT)

Members of the National Futures Team will include:

- Junior and Collegiate Athletes who are not already on the NT or NDT and who:
 - Represent the USA in the major ISSF Junior Championship of the year in an Olympic event (World Championships); or
 - Finish in the Top 3 Juniors at the USASNC; or
 - Finish in the Top 3 Juniors at the USAS Junior Olympics; or
 - Compete in an ISSF or equivalent international competition (El Salvador, Suhl, etc.); or
 - Are selected through a coach/committee selection (athlete must apply for a position), or
 - Finish in the top 2 at the Intercollegiate Pistol Championships
- Open Athletes who are not already on the NT or NDT who:
 - Win the National Championship at the USASNC in Air Pistol or Sport Pistol/Rapid fire
 - Are selected through a coach/committee selection (athlete must apply for a position)
 - Resident Athlete at the USOPTC, including offsite residents

Athletes remain members of the NFT until the start of the following year's tournament in which they qualified or 1 year, whichever happens first, except for those being named for competing in an ISSF or equivalent international competition (6 Months), and the coach/committee selections whose term will be on a case-by-case basis. Resident Athletes, including offsite residents, who are not on the NT/NDT remain on the Futures Team until they leave the Resident Program.

2025 Pistol Selection Procedures USAS Pistol Athlete Average Ranking Points System

Athletes will be ranked in order based on a 12-month rolling Average Ranking Points system. The Average Ranking Points are calculated as an athlete's Average Score Points over the course of 12-months (rolling). To initiate the 2025 system, 2024 scores will be applied based on 2025 criteria.

Ranking

Events and Valid Scores

- Rankings/Scores will be kept in the Olympic Games Individual medal events. Currently this includes:
 - o Men's Air Pistol
 - o Women's Air Pistol
 - o Men's Sport Pistol (or rapid fire depending on ISSF changes)
 - o Women's Sport Pistol
- Only scores from Olympic Games individual medal events will be used for ranking.
- Average Score Points are valid within a rolling 12-month rolling window. Scores will be dropped from the ranking after 12 months at the end of the month in which they were achieved.

Minimum Requirements for Ranking and Team Selection

- To be included in the ranking system, athletes must shoot one Threshold Score . which is a score at or above the score listed below, in a qualification round of a designated ranking competition. Athletes will be tracked in the ranking system for 12 months after the last attained Threshold Score. No scores or achievements that were posted before the initial Threshold Score was met will be counted toward the Average Score Points.
 - o Men's and Women's Air Pistol Threshold Score: 564
 - o Men's and Women's Sport Pistol Threshold Score: 564
 - o Men's Rapid Fire (if still an ISSF event) Threshold Score: 564
- A minimum of five (5) ISSF courses of fire in designated ranking competitions are required for Team Selection, with at least one score posted within 4 months of a Team Selection Date. The 4-month requirement may be waived if there were no designated ranking competitions available within 4 months of the Team Selection Date or is agreed to by the National Coach and/or High Performance Director as part of an individual's training plan.
- Exception for Men's Sport Pistol, top three scores will be counted until enough opportunity has been given to get to 5 matches. Anticipated date on or around July 1, 2025. If there are not three scores obtained before a selection date, a committee may be formed to choose athletes for that competition.

The Ranking Points

The Ranking Points used for Team Selection are the Average Score Points from dedicated ranking competition results within the current 12-month rolling window. Athletes will be ranked in order based on the Average Ranking Points

The Average Score Points

The Average Score Points used for ranking will be the average of the top five (5) scores from ISSF courses of fire in designated ranking competitions that have been posted within the current 12-month window.

- Scores will count for 12 months through the end of the month in which they were posted.
- For Team Selection, at least one of the five (5) counting scores must be posted within 4 months of a Team Selection Date.
 - Exception: The 4-month requirement may be waived if there were no designated ranking competitions available within 4 months of the Team Selection Date.
- Ties in the Average Score Points will be broken for National Team and Development Team slot order by comparing the last ranking match score shot by each tied individual. The athlete with the higher individual score will be ranked ahead of the other tied individuals and so on, going back score-by-score until all ties are broken.

Designated Ranking Competitions

Results from the following competitions can be used for ranking. Note: Only one score a day can count as a ranking score, and it will be the first score shot that day with the following exception:

International Designated Ranking Competitions

- Olympic Games
- ISSF World Championships
- ISSF and IOC Continental Championships
- ISSF World Cups
- ISSF Grand Prix
- ISSF Champions Cup
- ISSF Junior World Championships
- ISSF Junior Continental Championships
- ISSF Junior Cups
- Other ISSF and non-ISSF international matches that have been designated as ranking competitions
 - To count toward ranking, other ISSF and non-ISSF international matches must:
 - Be designated as a ranking competition.
 - Be considered a major international competition with an expectation of multiple world-class scores being posted (scores that exceed the NT Qualifying Ranking Points level).

Domestic Designated Ranking Competitions

- USAS National Championships
- USAS Junior Olympics
- Other USAS and non-USAS matches that have been designated as ranking competitions

Waivers

- **Extended Break from Competition Waiver.** An athlete may take an extended break from competition and be re-instated into the Ranking System at the same level as at the start of the break if a waiver is requested in advance and approved by the Selection Committee. However, they will be placed at the bottom of the level in the ranking system upon return. At least two new ranking scores at the level at the start of the break must be entered before the athlete is eligible for ISSF Team Selection, with at least one score posted within 4 months of the Selection deadline.
- **Note:** To be eligible for the Championship of the year (World Championship, CAT games, etc.), the athlete returning from an extended break waiver must have at least 5 new ranking scores in the past 12 months. In other words, an athlete cannot be named to, for example, the World Championship Team, with just two new scores.
- **Other Waivers.** Under extraordinary circumstances an athlete may file a waiver to accommodate unanticipated situations that are out of the athlete's control.

These selection procedures are subject to change based on changes to the ISSF schedule, rules, and other unknown situations outside of USA Shooting's control.