



Shooting Federation of Canada

2009 Athlete Selection Criteria

National Team, Development Team & Junior Program

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GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR ALL TEAMS

In order to be considered and eligible for selection to the Shooting Federation of Canada National, Development and Junior Team programs, an athlete is required to:

- a. Be a member in good standing of the Shooting Federation of Canada.
- b. Be a Canadian citizen; if naturalized, the ISSF international participation rule will be applicable (Article 3.6.0 Entry and Participation, item 3.6.3.3). Athletes must be fully eligible to represent Canada at the time of the Trials.
- c. Complete a trials entry form and pay the applicable trials entry fee prior to the start of the competition sanctioned as the National Team selection match.
- d. Not use or be in possession of, by medical prescription or otherwise, any drug that is on the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Prohibited List or engage in any method or activity that would be in contravention to the World Anti-Doping Code.
- e. Sign an SFC Athlete Agreement and adhere to all of its conditions including the requirement to prepare and follow an annual training plan.
- f. Pay in full, any outstanding accounts receivable owing the SFC.
- g. Pay the applicable annual Team fee according to published deadline parameters.

QUALIFYING EVENT

A National Team selection match will be held annually in conjunction with the National Championships in each discipline.

The selection match in 2008 will be used to determine Team placement and rankings for 2009; the selection matches in 2009 will be used to determine Team placement and rankings for 2010 and continue annually on this basis.

COURSE OF FIRE

In order to be considered and eligible for selection to Team programs, selection match participants are required to shoot two rounds or twice through the course of fire plus finals in each event for which they have registered.

Furthermore:

1) Rifle

- The top 8 rifle athletes will shoot finals based on the total of two rounds.
- In men's prone rifle in 2008 only, all three (3) rounds plus finals will be used for team selection.
- In the 50m events, all athletes who wish to compete in the Team Trials must shoot on the same relay (usually the 'Master' class).
- [Discipline specifics to follow in the National Championships program];

2) Pistol

- The top 8 pistol athletes will shoot finals based on the total of two rounds with the exception of Rapid Fire pistol;
- The top 6 in Rapid Fire pistol will shoot finals based on the total of two rounds.
- In the 50m events, all athletes who wish to compete in the Team Trials must shoot on the same relay (usually the 'Master' class).
- [Discipline specifics to follow in the National Championships program];

3) Shotgun

- The top 6 in shotgun events will shoot finals based on the total of two rounds.
- In Trap, the format for both men and women will be shot over three days - 75 targets on the first day, 100 targets on the second day and 75 targets the third day.
- In Double Trap, the format of the two rounds will be 150 targets on the first day + 150 targets on the second day.
- In Skeet, the format will be shot over three days - 75 targets on the first day, 100 targets on the second day and 75 targets the third day.
- [Discipline specifics to follow in the National Championships program];

In the case of a junior aged athlete who makes the senior finals, the score will stand amongst the senior scores. A junior may not be excluded from any final for which he/she has qualified.

The **SFC NATIONAL TEAM** shall include athletes who have:

Met or exceeded the scores listed in the following chart at the 2008 SFC National Championships in the Rifle, Pistol, Trap and Skeet disciplines in one of the two (2) complete courses of fire:

Pistol

50m Men	10m Air Men	25m Rapid Fire Men	25m Women	10m Air Women
548	573	569	571	376

Rifle

50m 3P Men	10m Air Men	50m Prone Men	50m 3P Women	10m Air Women
1150	589	587	570	391

Skeet

Skeet Men	Skeet Women
115	65

Trap

Trap Men	Double Trap Men	Trap Women
112	130	63

National Team Ranking

The scores from the two (2) complete courses of fire shot in each event shall be added together to produce a total score. This total score plus the final score will determine National Team ranking.

Benefits

Athletes who achieve the cut scores as outlined above will be invited to participate as a National Team member for the 2009 competitive season and eligible to apply to attend three (3) World Cup competitions between the months of January and December 2009.

All competitive assignments will be allocated following the athlete's submission of complete annual planning and subject to the review and approval of the High Performance Committee (HPC) and/or HPC designate. Athletes will be able to choose the ISSF World Cup events they will attend. First choice will be provided to the athlete placing highest in the specific event at the National Championships, next choice will be provided to the athlete placing second highest and so on. (Please see ADDITIONALLY: item 2. World Cup Participation below for further details.)

Athlete selection for Major Games and events independent of the ISSF World Cup circuit will be based on separate criteria that will be developed and published by the HPC on an as-and-when-needed basis.

Further benefits and obligations (financial and other) will be detailed in the 2008-2012 SFC High Performance Plan.

The **SFC DEVELOPMENT TEAM** (formally 'B' team) shall include athletes who have:

Met or exceeded the scores listed in the following chart at the 2008 SFC National Championships in the Rifle, Pistol, Trap and Skeet disciplines in one of the two (2) complete courses of fire:

Pistol

50m Men	10m Air Men	25m Rapid Fire Men	25m Women	10m Air Women
523	561	520	547	371

Rifle

50m 3P Men	10m Air Men	50m Prone Men	50m 3P Women	10m Air Women
1110	567	582	539	382

Skeet

Skeet Men	Skeet Women
111	57

Trap

Trap Men	Double Trap Men	Trap Women
109	115	55

Development Team Ranking

The scores from the two (2) complete courses of fire shot in each event shall be added together to produce a total score. This total score plus the final score will determine Development Team ranking.

Benefits

Athletes who achieve the cut scores as outlined above will be invited to participate as a Development Team member for the 2009 competitive season and will be eligible to apply to attend two (2) World Cup competitions between the months of January and December 2009.

All competitive assignments will be allocated following the athlete's submission of complete annual planning and subject to the review and approval of the High Performance Committee (HPC) and/or HPC designate. Athletes will be able to choose the ISSF World Cup events they will attend. First choice will be provided to the athlete placing highest in the specific event at the National Championships, next choice will be provided to the athlete placing second highest and so on. (Please see ADDITIONALLY: 2. World Cup Participation below for further details.)

Athlete selection for Major Games and events independent of the ISSF World Cup circuit will be based on separate criteria that will be developed and published by the HPC on an as-and-when-needed basis.

Further benefits and obligations (financial and other) will be detailed in the 2008-2012 SFC High Performance Plan.

The **SFC JUNIOR PROGRAM**

The SFC shall identify age eligible junior athletes to participate in international competitive opportunities as and when they are made available to the SFC, who have attained scores equal to or greater than those listed in the charts below at the 2008 SFC National Championships and Team Selection Trials in the Rifle, Pistol, Trap and Skeet disciplines.

Pistol

50m Jr Men	10m Air Jr Men	25m Rapid Fire Jr Men	25m Jr Women	10m Air Jr Women
500	555	515	530	361

Rifle

50m 3P Jr Men	10m Air Jr Men	50m Prone Jr Men	50m 3P Jr Women	10m Air Jr Women
1100	560	570	530	375

Skeet

Skeet Jr Men	Skeet Jr Women
100	52

Trap

Trap Jr Men	Double Trap Jr Men	Trap Jr Women
100	105	52

Benefits

Athletes who achieve the cut scores as outlined above will be invited to participate in junior age level events hosted during the 2009 competitive season as identified by the SFC Junior Sub-Committee. Athlete selections will be made in accordance with the respective rules and regulations of each junior age competitive opportunity as it arises.

Athlete selection for Major Games and events independent of the ISSF World Cup circuit will be based on separate criteria that will be developed and published by the HPC on an as-and-when-needed basis.

All assignments will be subject to the review and approval of the SFC Junior Sub-Committee.

Further benefits and obligations (financial and other) will be detailed in the 2008-2012 SFC High Performance Plan.

ADDITIONALLY:

1. Team Size

There is no limit to the number of athletes who may qualify for the SFC National and Development Teams according to the published criteria.

2. World Cup Participation

Only those athletes who are named to the National or Development Team will be eligible to participate in ISSF World Cup events.

Order of selection: Athletes named to the National Team will have first selection of up to three World Cup competitions; Development Team athletes will then select up to two World Cups each from the remaining open and available positions.

Should any World Cup positions remain available after National and Development Team selections are completed, National Team athletes may request to attend an additional World Cup in a **match** position with first choice going to the athlete placing highest in the specific event at the National Championships, next choice to the athlete placing second highest and so on.

Athletes must select events according to specific deadline parameters that will be announced at the commencement of the season and strictly enforced.

The High Performance Committee in collaboration with the Junior Sub-Committee may, from time-to-time, select promising junior athletes to compete in ISSF World Cup events as part of the Canadian Team.

3. Ties

Ties for team placement in all events will be broken in accordance with ISSF rules and regulations.

4. Exceptional Circumstances - Extreme Weather

The High Performance Committee (HPC) reserves the right to select up to five (5) athletes for the Development Team in each of the outdoor events where no Development Team cut scores are achieved because of extreme weather conditions.

The HPC shall determine if the Exceptional Circumstance clause is merited and will apply to each event situation separately.

Athletes who will be considered for Team selection under this clause shall be those who have shot cut scores in the same event at two (2) sanctioned ISSF World Cup competitions in the year immediately preceding or year of the National discipline Championships.

The ranking of athletes will be determined according to Development Team Ranking cited on page 4 of this document. Ties will be broken according to ISSF rules.

Note: If even one person has shot a National Team score in any outdoor event, the Exceptional Circumstance clause is not applicable in that event.

5. Byes & Additions

On the recommendation of the Vice President High Performance and in accordance with SFC policy, additional members may be added to the National or Development Teams:

5.1 By application in advance, those athletes who were named to the National or Development Teams in the year prior to the Trials who have met the requirements for Team membership, and who are scheduled to represent Canada at an ISSF World Championships or Major Games* that would directly interfere with participation in the National Championships/Team Trials. Such athlete(s) will retain the previous year's Team standing and rank.

* For the purposes of these criteria, Major Games include the Olympic Games, Pan-American Games, Commonwealth Games and CAT Championships.

5.2 By application in advance, those athletes who were named to the National or Development Teams in the year prior to the Trials who have met the requirements for Team membership, and for medical reasons substantiated by a doctor's certificate, cannot compete at the National Championships/Team Trials.

5.2.1 Any persons added to the Team will not displace those who have met the requirements at the National Championships/Team Trials in the qualifying year.

5.2.2 Any persons added for medical reasons will be ranked in the last position on the respective Team to which they have received a bye.

All additions to the Teams are subject to the approval of the High Performance Committee.

6. **Membership Year**

National and Development Team members will be named to the team for the period January 1st to December 31st annually.

Athletes who qualify for any 2009 SFC Team shall be eligible to participate in Team training that is organized by the SFC between the 2008 National Championships and January 1st, 2009.

7. **Fees**

All fees are assessed when a shooter is named to the Team and are due on or before December 31st annually.

8. **Confirmation**

Membership on any team is subject to confirmation by the High Performance Committee and the signing of an SFC Athlete Agreement.

9. **Appeals**

An appeal against a selection decision of the SFC High Performance Committee may be made as per the published SFC Appeal Policy.

10. **Funding**

Funding to Team Programs is to be reviewed and determined on an annual basis, and approved by the Executive Committee of the Shooting Federation of Canada.