



Shooting Federation of Canada

Athlete Selection Criteria 2018 Youth Olympic Games (YOG)

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1. Under the auspices of the Canadian Olympic Committee, the Shooting Federation of Canada has confirmed that target shooting events will be hosted at the 3rd Youth Olympic Games to be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina, October 6 to 18, 2018.
2. Male and female athletes will be selected to participate in the Air Rifle and Air Pistol events only.

DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY

3. The SFC High Performance Committee has charged the Junior Sub-Committee with making the final internal nomination decisions subject to its ratification.

GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR ATHLETES

4. In order to be considered and eligible for selection to the Shooting Federation of Canada Youth Olympic Games Team, 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 Entry and Participation, item 3.6.3.3). Athletes must be fully eligible to represent Canada at the time of the YOG qualification matches.
 - c. Pay applicable entry fees prior to the start of any competition sanctioned as a Youth Olympic Games selection match.
 - d. Pay the \$25 National Team Trials fee.
 - e. Not use or be in possession of, by medical prescription or otherwise unless approved by a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE), 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 Canadian Anti-Doping Program or World Anti-Doping Code.
 - f. Sign Canadian Olympic Committee and SFC Athlete Agreements pertaining to YOG participation and adhere to all conditions and requirements detailed therein.
 - g. Pay in full, any outstanding accounts receivable owing the SFC.

AGE & ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

5. The Youth Olympic Games are restricted to athletes who were born between January 1, 2000 and December 31, 2003.

QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

6. In order to be considered and eligible for selection to the SFC Youth Olympic Games Team, an athlete is required to compete in the SFC Youth Olympic Games (YOG) Qualification Competition Trials, to be held in conjunction with the 2017 Canadian National Pistol Championships and 2017 SFC National Smallbore Rifle Championships in Cookstown, Ontario July 28 – August 7, 2017.
7. Athletes eligible for selection to the SFC Youth Olympic Games Team are also required to compete in the designated YOG selection match currently scheduled during the ISSF World Cup at Fort Benning, Georgia USA, May 7 – 15, 2018.
8. The top 3 age-eligible juniors from the trials held in conjunction with the 2017 Canadian National Championships in each discipline, will be eligible to attend the YOG selection trials at Fort Benning, Georgia as per the following:

- a. Athlete Ranking for the Americas YOG Qualification Competition:

Athletes will be ranked on their combined qualification scores from the 2017 Canadian National matches, excluding finals, in each respective event.

- b. Ties:

All ties for ranking and placement on the SFC YOG Qualification Competition team will be broken according to the ISSF 2017 rules.

- c. Important Notes:

Please note that other cut score competitions cannot be substituted for the SFC Youth Olympic Games Qualification Competition trials.

Also, the top three (3) athletes at the SFC Youth Olympic Games Qualification Competition trials held in each event at Nationals will be invited to compete at Fort Benning, regardless of whether the athlete has shot a SFC High Performance Program cut score or the YOG Minimum Qualifying Score.

Athletes who qualify for the YOG Qualification Competition without attaining a SFC High Performance Program cut score will only be allowed to attend 2018 ISSF Junior World Cups at the discretion of the SFC High Performance Junior Program Coach.

9. Americas YOG Qualification Competition:

The ISSF World Cup in Fort Benning, Georgia (May 2018) will serve as the Americas YOG Continental Qualifying Competition for YOG quota spots. There are two (2) quota spots per event available to athletes who equal or exceed the ISSF MQS in the qualification relay (as per item 10). There may be additional universality quota spots available that are awarded at the discretion of the IOC to athletes who attain the MQS but do not finish high enough to earn a quota spot at a YOG Qualification Competition.

YOG MINIMUM QUALIFYING SCORE (MQS)

10. Only those athletes who have achieved the following ISSF minimum qualifying scores, at the ISSF designated Qualification Competition, may participate in the Youth Olympic Games:

Pistol	
10m Air Pistol Men	10m Air Pistol Women
540 / 600 ISSF YOG Criteria	355 / 400 ISSF YOG Criteria

Rifle	
10m Air Rifle Men	10m Air Rifle Women
552 / 600 or 580.0 <small>decimal scoring</small> ISSF YOG Criteria	368 / 400 or 385.0 <small>decimal scoring</small> ISSF YOG Criteria

11. Only those athletes who are selected to compete in the Americas YOG Qualification Competition in Fort Benning and who have shot a YOG MQS in their respective event (as per item 10) will be eligible for nomination to the YOG Team.
12. In the event a Canadian athlete wins a quota spot at the Americas YOG Qualification Competition, the quota is awarded to Canada / the Canadian Olympic Committee (COC). The SFC then nominates the athlete to the COC for that quota spot. If that athlete, for whatever reason, is unable to attend the Youth Olympic Games, the next highest ranked, qualified athlete who has achieved a YOG MQS at the Fort Benning Trials will be nominated to attend the YOG.
13. Finalized criteria for the determination of the athletes who will attend the Youth Olympic Games will be posted at a later date. In the event that Canada secures more quota spots than the COC has allocated for the shooting sports, a selection will be made using the SFC Canadian Shooting Athlete Ranking System (CSARS) formula for major games with Junior World Records replacing World Records in the calculations. (See Appendix A) Scores from the Canadian National Championships and Fort Benning Trials will be used for this purpose.

ASSIGNMENTS

14. All assignments will be subject to the review and approval of the SFC Junior Sub-Committee.
15. Only those athletes who are named through the above processes will be eligible to participate in the 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

APPEALS

16. An appeal against a selection decision of the SFC Junior Sub-Committee and/or High Performance Committee may be made as per the published SFC Appeal Policy.

UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

17. In the event of unforeseen or unusual circumstances, as determined by the HPC, the Junior Sub-Committee shall have the full discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit taking into account factors and circumstances that it deems relevant.

FUNDING

18. Until further notice, athlete participation in all YOG Qualification Matches will be on a self-funded basis. The SFC will provide, at a minimum, a Team Coach to accompany and support athletes in attendance at the Fort Benning YOG Qualification Competition and, if applicable, at the 2018 Youth Olympic Games.

AMENDMENTS

19. The Junior Sub-Committee reserves the right to make changes to this document, which, in its discretion, are necessary to ensure selection of the best athletes possible for the 2018 Youth Olympic Games. Any changes to this document shall be communicated to the membership of the SFC and published to the SFC website.

APPENDIX A

Formula for ranking in each event:

$$\left[\frac{\text{Athlete Score} - \text{YOG MQS}^*}{\text{YOG MQS}^*} \right] \times 100 = \text{Athlete Percentage}$$

$$\left[\frac{\text{Junior World Record} - \text{YOG MQS}^*}{\text{YOG MQS}^*} \right] \times 100 = \text{Max Percentage}$$

$$\text{Athlete Ranking Number} = \frac{\text{Athlete Percentage}}{\text{Max Percentage}}$$

[i.e. If an athlete shoots equal to the YOG MQS for their event, the ranking number will be '0', if below the cut score they will get a negative number (e.g. -0.5), if above the cut score a positive number (e.g. +0.5), if equal to the world record they will get a '1'.]

* The YOG MQS is referred to in item 10. YOG Minimum Qualifying Score.