



# Shooting Federation of Canada

## Athlete Selection Criteria – Major Games 2013 – 2016

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### **GENERAL CONDITIONS FOR THE SELECTION OF ATHLETES:**

1. In order to be considered and eligible for selection to any Shooting Federation of Canada Major Games Team, an athlete is required to:
2. Be a member in good standing of the Shooting Federation of Canada.
3. 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 selection and/or any applicable Trials.
4. 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.
5. Be a member in good standing of the SFC High Performance Program - National Team or Development Team. Such membership implies adherence to all terms and conditions of the SFC Athlete Agreement and payment in full of any outstanding accounts receivable owing the SFC.
6. Qualify to compete in an Olympic event prior to being considered for selection to compete in a non-Olympic event. Criteria for non-Olympic events will be developed upon the availability of information.
7. Competition conflict as defined within this document occurs when an athlete is competing at a Major Games on behalf of the Shooting Federation of Canada within 30 days of a national championship at which the athlete would be required to compete in order to obtain ranking for the upcoming competition season.

8. **Major Games** are defined as:
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| ISSF World Championships Shotgun    | September 14-25, 2013 Lima PER         |
| Commonwealth Games                  | July 23-August 03, 2014 Glasgow SCO    |
| Youth Olympic Games                 | August 16-28, 2014 Nanjing CHN         |
| World Shooting Championships        | September 06-20, 2014 Granada ESP      |
| Championships of the Americas (CAT) | TBA 2014                               |
| ISSF World Championships Shotgun    | TBA 2015                               |
| Pan American Games                  | July 10-26, 2015, Toronto CAN          |
| Olympic Games                       | August 05-21, 2016, Rio de Janeiro BRA |
9. **2013 ISSF World Championships Shotgun** (September 14-25, 2013 Lima PER) team selection will be based on ranking of eligible athletes based on results of High Performance Team Trials (HPTT) held at the 2012 Canadian Olympic Trap Championships and 2012 Canadian Olympic Skeet Championships (furthermore known as the Canadian Olympic Shotgun Championships). If there is a date conflict for the 2013 High Performance Team Trials, those athletes who attend the 2013 ISSF World Shotgun Championships will be given a bye for the HPTT. The score shot at the 2013 World Championships will be used in lieu of the HPTT score to establish team ranking. If an athlete is given a bye they must achieve the required cut score for the 2014 SFC High Performance Team prior to the 2014 HPTT to retain their position on the Team.
10. **2014 ISSF World Shooting Championships** (September 06-20, 2014 Granada ESP) team selection for rifle, pistol and shotgun events will be based on ranking of eligible athletes based on results of trials held at the 2013 High Performance Team Trials (HPTT) in Rifle, Pistol, Olympic Trap and Olympic Skeet.
11. **2014 Commonwealth Games** (July 23 – August 03, 2014 Glasgow SCO) teams in rifle, pistol and shotgun disciplines will be based on ranking of eligible athletes at the 2013 High Performance Team Trials.
- Athletes will be selected according to the Appendix "A" Shooting Federation of Canada "Internal Team Nomination Procedures (INP), Commonwealth Games 2014" developed in collaboration with Commonwealth Games Canada. The INP Glasgow published as Appendix "A" is final and supersedes all other previously issued criteria pertaining to the selection of athletes to the SFC Commonwealth Games Team.
12. **2014 Championships of the Americas** (or CAT Championships, date and location TBC) teams in rifle, pistol and shotgun disciplines and will be based on ranking of eligible athletes at the 2013 High Performance Team Trials.
13. **2014 Championships of the Americas** and **2014 Commonwealth Games** team selections are open only to those athletes who are named to the 2014 National Team or 2014 Development Team by having shot the appropriate cut scores in 2013. The top three finishes in the published rankings of the 2013 High Performance Team Trials in each discipline will qualify to attend the 2014 Championships of the Americas.
14. **2015 ISSF World Championships Shotgun** (date and location TBD) team selection will be based on ranking of eligible athletes based on results of trials held at the 2014 High Performance Team Trials (HPTT) in the shotgun events. If there is a date conflict, those athletes who attend the 2015 ISSF World Championships Shotgun will be given a bye for the 2015 HPTT. The score shot at the 2015 World Championships will be used in lieu of the HPTT score to establish team ranking. If an athlete is given a bye they must achieve the required cut score for the 2016 SFC High Performance Program during the 2015 calendar year to retain their position in their respective discipline.

15. **2015 Pan American Games** (July 10-26, 2015, Toronto CAN) team selection for all events will be based on ranking of eligible athletes based on results of trials held at the 2014 Canadian National Championships in each discipline. Athletes will be selected according to the Appendix "B" Shooting Federation of Canada "Internal Team Nomination Procedures (INP), Pan American Games 2015" developed in collaboration with the Canadian Olympic Committee. The INP Toronto published as Appendix "B" is final and supersedes all other previously issued criteria pertaining to the selection of athletes to the SFC, Pan American Games Team.
16. **2016 Olympic Games** (August 05-21, 2016, Rio de Janeiro BRA) team selection will occur no later than June 30, 2016 in events where there is an available quota spot. Athletes will be selected according to the Appendix "C" Shooting Federation of Canada "Internal Team Nomination Procedures (INP), Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games 2016" developed in collaboration with the Canadian Olympic Committee. The INP Rio de Janeiro published as Appendix "C" is final and supersedes all other previously issued criteria pertaining to the selection of athletes to the SFC, Olympic Games Team.

Those athletes who are named to the Olympic team have priority to World Cup events in the Olympic year. Athletes named to the 2016 Olympic Team will receive a bye for their respective High Performance Team Trials (HPTT). If an athlete is given a bye they must achieve the required cut score for the 2017 SFC High Performance Program during the 2016 calendar year to retain their ranking in their respective discipline.

**17. Unforeseen Circumstances**

In the event of unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the SFC that prevent the High Performance Committee from fairly implementing these criteria as written, the HPC shall have full discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit, taking into account factors and circumstances that are deemed relevant.

Any changes due to unforeseen circumstances shall be posted to the SFC website and communicated directly to all members of the High Performance Program either electronically or by mail.

## APPENDIX “A”

# Shooting Federation of Canada Internal Team Nomination Procedures Commonwealth Games 2014

### Introduction

The purpose of this document is to describe procedures and criteria that will be used to internally select the 2014 Commonwealth Games Shooting Team.

**Athlete Eligibility** – For an Athlete to be eligible for nomination to the 2014 Commonwealth Games Team, the Athlete must:

- Be a member in good standing of the Shooting Federation of Canada (SFC);
- 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 selection and/or any applicable Trials;
- Be a member in good standing of the 2014 SFC High Performance Program - National Team or Development Team. Such membership implies adherence to all terms and conditions of the SFC Athlete Agreement and payment in full of any outstanding accounts receivable owing the SFC;
- 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;
- Have signed and submitted the Commonwealth Games Athlete Agreement and Eligibility Conditions for the 2014 Commonwealth Games no later than (TBD);
- Hold a valid Canadian passport that does not expire on or prior to January 15, 2015.

### Decision Making Authority

The SFC Executive has charged the High Performance Committee (HPC) with making final internal nomination decisions subject to its ratification.

### Team Selection

These criteria apply to Commonwealth Games contested shooting events only and exclude Full Bore rifle which has been dealt with elsewhere under Dominion of Canada Rifle Association jurisdiction.

Commonwealth Games shooting team eligibility and participation is restricted to members in good standing of the Shooting Federation of Canada who have qualified for the 2014 National and Development Teams.

Athletes will be ranked for nomination to the Commonwealth Games Team following publication of results from all applicable **2013** High Performance Team Trials (HPTT):

HPTT Trap	July 3-9, 2013 Saskatoon SK
HPTT Pistol	August 2-9, 2013 Calgary AB
HPTT Rifle	August 3-11, 2013 Beachburg ON
HPTT Skeet	August 23-25, 2013 Winnipeg MB

Due to the limited number of positions provided to shooting events by the Commonwealth Games Association of Canada (total TBA), the quotas for Commonwealth Games positions will be allocated as follows:

- 1) Two (2) positions may be allocated to Full Bore as per the Commonwealth Games Association of Canada.
- 2) To determine which events are allotted to SFC athletes, a comparison based on score (best course of fire, excluding finals) at all Commonwealth Games Trials to the 2014 Athlete Selection Criteria cut scores will be used.

Formula for ranking in each event\*:

$$\left[ \frac{\text{Athlete Score} - \text{NT Cut Score}}{\text{NT Cut Score}} \right] \times 100 = \text{Athlete Percentage}$$

$$\left[ \frac{\text{World Record} - \text{NT Cut Score}}{\text{NT Cut Score}} \right] \times 100 = \text{Max Percentage}$$

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

[i.e. If an athlete shoots equal to the SFC National Team cut score 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'.]

- 3) Where an athlete qualifies for more than one event, the vacated Commonwealth quota will be moved to the next qualified athlete to a maximum of two athletes in each event.
- 4) This process will be continued until all quota places are filled.
- 5) Athletes must qualify to compete in an Olympic event prior to being considered for selection to compete in a non-Olympic event at the 2014 Glasgow Games. For the purposes of these criteria, the non-Olympic events that will be contested at Glasgow are Women's Prone Rifle and Women's Double Trap.

Of the female athletes who have qualified for the Commonwealth Games in an Olympic rifle event, the highest two finishers in Women's Prone Rifle at the respective 2013 Canadian National Smallbore Championships will be eligible to shoot that non-Olympic event at the 2014 Commonwealth Games. In the event that a qualified athlete declines the non-Olympic spot at the Commonwealth Games, the next best qualified athlete will be selected.

If there are an insufficient number of selected Olympic event athletes who shot the non-Olympic events at the respective 2013 Canadian National Rifle Championships, Glasgow Team vacant spots shall be filled by decision of the High Performance Committee.

The athletes who have qualified for the Commonwealth Games in women's single trap at the 2013 Canadian National Trap Championships will be invited to participate in the Double Trap event in Glasgow.

- 6) The above criteria are final and supersede all other issued Commonwealth Games Athlete Selection criteria.

**Ties**

Ties within events will be broken in accordance with ISSF rules and regulations. Ties between disciplines will be broken based on High Performance Committee interpretation of international performance.

**Performance Readiness**

If an athlete's performance or attitude deteriorates to a point that necessitates the High Performance Committee to question the appropriateness of the athlete competing at the Commonwealth Games, or if an athlete withdraws from the event for personal or injury reasons, the HPC retains the right to replace the athlete with an alternate athlete identified according to the formula noted above.

**Confirmation of Entries**

Final entries by name are to be submitted to CGC no later than (date TBD).

**Late Athlete Replacement Policy**

All substitutions after the nominations are submitted to the CGC on (date TBD) are subject to CSF/ISSF regulations and procedures.

**Appeals**

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

**Unforeseen Circumstances**

In the event of unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the SFC that prevent the High Performance Committee from fairly implementing these internal nomination procedures as written, the HPC shall have full discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit, taking into account factors and circumstances that are deemed relevant.

Any changes due to unforeseen circumstances shall be posted to the SFC website and communicated directly to all members of the 2014 High Performance Program either electronically or by mail.

**Changes to this document**

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**Coach Selection**

Discipline coaches in rifle, pistol, trap, and skeet events will be named at the discretion of the High Performance Committee. An appeal against a selection decision of the SFC High Performance Committee may be made as per the published SFC appeal policy.

## APPENDIX “B”

# Shooting Federation of Canada Internal Team Nomination Procedures Pan American Games 2015

### **Introduction**

The purpose of this document is to describe procedures and criteria that will be used to internally select the 2015 Pan American Games Shooting Team.

**Athlete Eligibility** – For an Athlete to be eligible for nomination to the 2015 Pan American Games Team, the Athlete must:

- Be a member in good standing of the Shooting Federation of Canada (SFC);
- 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 selection and/or any applicable Trials;
- Be a member in good standing of the 2015 SFC High Performance Program - National Team or Development Team. Such membership implies adherence to all terms and conditions of the SFC Athlete Agreement and payment in full of any outstanding accounts receivable owing the SFC;
- 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;
- Have signed and submitted the COC Athlete Agreement and Eligibility Condition for the Pan American Games no later than June 3, 2015;

### **Qualification System for Toronto**

- The Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) will only register competitors that were qualified according to the system established by the American Shooting Federation (CAT).
- The COC shall submit to the CAT a list of shooters to be considered for the Pan American Games no later than June 3, 2015.
- The COC will be assigned by CAT an allocation for the maximum number of athletes it may enter in all shooting sports (pistol, shotgun and rifle).
- Should the number of requests exceed the quota of 250 shooters, CAT will select the shooters to be entered in the XVII Pan American Games and will duly inform the COC, PASO Technical Commission and COPAG.
- The number of athlete allocations to be assigned to the COC will be based on the historic participation in the Pan American Games and on the participation of the country's National Shooting Federation in regional, continental and world level shooting competitions since the Pan American Games in Winnipeg in 1999.

### **Decision Making Authority**

The SFC Executive has charged the High Performance Committee (HPC) with making final internal nomination decisions subject to its ratification.

## Team Selection

Athletes will be ranked for nomination to the Pan Am Team following publication of results from all applicable 2015 Selection matches:

- Canadian Trap and Skeet Pan AM selections - Tucson AZ - May 6-12, 2015
- US Spring Selection Match for Pistol and Rifle - Ft. Benning GA - Mar 29- April 4, 2015

For Rifle and Pistol, athletes will be ranked within events by shooting twice through the ISSF course of fire plus finals after each course of fire at the named selection match. These athletes will be identified as authorized for selection to the Pan American Games team.

The process for ranking athletes within each event is as follows:

### Rifle and Pistol Events:

Athletes will be ranked based on two courses of fire in the event they are being selected for plus points for placement in finals. A final will be shot after each qualification round leading the following selection formula:

$$(\text{Qualification Round 1} + \text{Round 1 Final Points}) + (\text{Qualification Round 2} + \text{Round 2 Final Points}) = \text{Total ranking value}$$

For Example:

$$(\text{Men's 10m Rifle \#1 Score} + \text{Final \#1 Awarded Points}) + (\text{Men's 10m Rifle \#2 Score} + \text{Final \#2 Awarded Points}) = \text{Men's 10m Rifle Ranking Value}$$

Or

$$(\text{Women's 10m Pistol \#1 Score} + \text{Final \#1 Awarded Points}) + (\text{Women's 10m Pistol \#2 Score} + \text{Final \#2 Awarded Points}) = \text{Women's 10m Pistol Ranking Value}$$

### Rifle and Pistol Finals Points allocation:

Specific finals procedures for each discipline will follow ISSF documented rules as closely as possible. All Pan Am games eligible athletes (National or Development team for 2015) will be in finals. Remaining places for finals will be filled first by Canadians who have competed in the associated course of fire by ranking. For example, 3 eligible athletes shoot the course of fire and finish in places 1, 4 and 10. All three athletes will be in finals. Remaining places will be filled by athletes in positions 2, 3, 5, 6, and 7 (for all events except rapid fire where finalists stop at 6). Where there are insufficient Canadian athletes in attendance, remaining places may be filled by athletes from other countries with USA shooters having first choice.

Points for finals finishing placement will be added to each shooters course of fire score for that day. Points will be awarded as follows:

Finals Placing	Points
First Place	4 Points
Second Place	3.5 Points
Third Place	3 Points
Fourth Place	2.5 Points
Fifth Place	2 Points
Sixth Place	1.5 Points
Seventh Place	1 Point
Eighth Place	.5 Points

Note – Men's Rapid fire will be broken out the same way but start with 3 points for first place as there are only 6 competitors.

Eligible athletes will be awarded points they earn based on placement in finals and not based on the finish order of eligible athletes.



Shotgun events:

- Trap and Skeet athlete rankings will be based on the sum of two ISSF courses of fire added to scores shot in semi-finals and finals.
- In Trap, Double Trap and Skeet, 2 courses of fire + semi-final + final are shot with the top 6 shooters advancing to the semi-final. The cumulative score from 2 courses of fire + semi-final identifies the top 4 shooters. The top 4 shooters advance to and shoot the final.
- If possible (if electronics permit), the top 4 athletes shoot the final together. If necessary, the final can be shot two at a time (bronze/4<sup>th</sup> and gold/silver matches). Final ranking will not be completed until final scores are added.
- Ranking is based on two courses of fire added to semifinals and finals = (course of fire + course of fire + semi-final + final)
  - Trap Men:  $X/250 + x/15 + x/15$  = score to determine Men's Trap ranking
  - Trap Women:  $X/150 + x/15 + x/15$  = score to determine Women's Trap ranking
  - Double Trap Men:  $X/300 + X/30 + X/30$  = score to determine Men's Double Trap ranking
  - Skeet:  $X/250 + X/16 + X/16$  = score to determine Men's Skeet ranking

More athletes than funded positions available:

PASO will allow a maximum of 25 athletes. As host country Canada has been allocated a number of PanAm quotas, and has earned more at the Championships of the Americas (CAT) held this past October in Guadalajara, Mexico. Canada holds 26 quota positions.

If the number of shooting athletes *authorized* to fill the number of allocated quota positions as described above exceeds the allowed number of athletes (25 as mentioned above), Canadian shooting athletes will be ranked across events. Only scores of athletes who have been authorized to fill a quota position in their event will be ranked. Athletes that may have shot qualifications well and would have ranked higher than others but did not qualify to fill a quota spot will NOT be considered in this ranking.

Cross event ranking will be based on the following formula using combined qualification results of two courses of fire at the selection matches. Finals points will not be considered for this ranking as they are not compatible for cross event ranking and have already been considered in determining athletes who are authorized to be ranked with this method.

Formula for the ranking of Canadian shooting athletes:

$$\left[ \frac{\text{Athlete Score} - 2xNTCut\ Score}{2xNTCut\ Score} \right] x100 = \text{Athlete Percentage}$$

$$\left[ \frac{2xWorld\ Record - 2xNTCut\ Score}{2xNTCut\ Score} \right] x100 = \text{Max Percentage}$$

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

[i.e. If an athlete shoots equal to the SFC National Team cut score for their event, their 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'.]

**Ties**

Ties within events will be broken in accordance with ISSF rules and regulations. Ties between disciplines will be broken based on High Performance Committee interpretation of international performance.

**Performance Readiness**

If an athlete's performance or attitude deteriorates to a point that necessitates the High Performance Committee to question the appropriateness of the athlete competing at the Pan Am Games, or if an athlete withdraws from the event for personal or injury reasons, the HPC retains the right to replace the athlete with an alternate athlete identified according to the formula noted above.

**Confirmation of Entries**

Final entries by name are to be submitted to the COC no later than Wednesday June 3, 2015.

**Late Athlete Replacement Policy**

All substitutions after the nominations are submitted to the COC on June 3, 2015 are subject to COPAG/PASO/CAT/ISSF regulations and procedures.

**Appeals**

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

**Unforeseen Circumstances**

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**Coach Selection**

Discipline coaches in rifle, pistol, trap, and skeet events will be named at the discretion of the High Performance Committee. An appeal against a selection decision of the SFC High Performance Committee may be made as per the published SFC appeal policy.

Approved by the HPC March 2015

## APPENDIX “C”

# PROVISIONAL Shooting Federation of Canada Internal Team Nomination Procedures 2016 Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games

### Introduction

The purpose of this document is to describe procedures and criteria that will be used to internally select the Rio de Janeiro Olympic Games Shooting Team.

**Athlete Eligibility** – For an Athlete to be eligible for nomination to the 2016 Olympic Games Team, the Athlete must:

- Be a member in good standing of the Shooting Federation of Canada (SFC);
- 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 selection and/or any applicable Trials;
- Be a member in good standing of the 2016 SFC High Performance Program - National Team or Development Team. Such membership implies adherence to all terms and conditions of the SFC Athlete Agreement and payment in full of any outstanding accounts receivable owing the SFC;
- 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.
- Have signed and submitted the COC Athlete Agreement and Eligibility Conditions Form for the Olympic Games no later than **(date TBD 2016)**;
- Hold a valid Canadian passport that does not expire on or prior to **February 21, 2017**.

### Qualification System for Rio de Janeiro

- The Canadian Olympic Committee (COC) will only register competitors that were qualified according to the system established by the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF). (Attached as Appendix “C-1”)
- The number of athlete allocations to be assigned to the COC will be determined by the ISSF based on the number of quota positions won during the Olympic qualification period by Canadian athletes.

### Decision Making Authority

The SFC Executive has charged the High Performance Committee (HPC) with making final internal nomination decisions subject to its ratification.

### Team Selection

Team selection will occur no later than **(date TBD 2016)** in events where there is an available quota spot. Olympic Games team selection trials will be held in events where more than one person has achieved an MQS and is world ranked in that event. Trials will be conducted as per the standard Olympic course of fire - once over the course plus finals. Specific trials dates and locations will be determined once a quota spot has been obtained in an event.

With the exception\* mentioned below, Olympic team selection is open only to those athletes who:

- Are named to the 2016 National Team, **AND**
- Have shot the appropriate cut score in 2015 in the event for which the quota spot is awarded, **AND**
- Have achieved an MQS and are listed on the ISSF website as such in the event for which the quota spot is awarded, **OR**
- Have won a quota spot for Canada.

**\*Exception:** Should no one qualify for the 2016 National Team in the event for which a quota spot has been awarded to Canada, athletes who are named to the 2016 Development Team by having shot the appropriate cut score in 2015 in the event for which a quota exists, may compete in the Olympic Trials providing they:

- Have achieved an MQS, **AND**
- Have achieved an ISSF world ranking **OR**
- Have won a quota spot for Canada.

The individual placing second in the Olympic Games team selection trials in each event for which a quota has been awarded to Canada, will be named alternate.

Team membership is subject to confirmation of the SFC High Performance Committee.

#### **Tripartite Commission Places**

In the event that Canada receives a Tripartite Commission Place for the Games, the High Performance Committee will hold selection trials in events where more than one person has achieved an MQS and is world ranked in that event. Trials will be conducted as per the standard Olympic course of fire - once over the course plus finals. Specific trials dates and locations will be determined once a Tripartite Commission Place has been allocated.

In the event that an invitation is received for a particular individual, the HPC will exercise its discretion as to whether or not an athlete will be nominated to fill that quota.

#### **Ties**

Ties within events will be broken in accordance with ISSF rules and regulations.

#### **Performance Readiness**

If an Athlete's performance or attitude deteriorates to a point that necessitates the High Performance Committee to question the appropriateness of the Athlete competing at the Olympic Games, or if an athlete withdraws from the event for personal or injury reasons, the HPC retains the right to replace the athlete with an alternate athlete identified according to that noted above under Team Selection.

#### **Confirmation of Entries**

Final entries by name are to be submitted to the COC no later than **(date TBD 2016)**.

#### **Late Athlete Replacement Policy**

All substitutions after the nominations are submitted to the COC on **(date TBD 2016)** are subject to ISSF / IOC regulations and procedures.

#### **Appeals**

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

**Unforeseen Circumstances**

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**Coach Selection**

Discipline coaches in the shooting events that will be contested by Canadians at the Olympic Games will be named at the discretion of the High Performance Committee. An appeal against a selection decision of the SFC High Performance Committee may be made as per the published SFC appeal policy.

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by the SFC High Performance Committee