

STATE TEAM CHARTER and SELECTION SYSTEM

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INTRODUCTION

To provide guidelines and rules for the selection, funding and management of SARPA's South Australian State Pistol Teams.

1. STATE TEAM CO-ORDINATOR (Team Co-ordinator)

1.2. Appointment is in accordance with other ratified positions of Sub-Management. The Team Co-ordinator shall be nominated by the current State Team members and the appointment ratified by the SARPA Executive. Upon the resignation or termination of the appointment, the current State Team members will nominate a replacement.

1.3. The person may or may not be a competing member of the State Team with the following responsibilities:-

1.3.1. In cooperation with the SARPA Executive, ensure that the Selection System and the conditions laid out in this Charter are followed by all.

1.3.2. Within fourteen days of the conclusion of the Selection period, compile and recommend to SARPA Executive, the SA State Pistol Team for the next National Championships as per this Charter.

1.3.3. Within fourteen days of the conclusion of the Selection period, compile and recommend to SARPA Executive, the Qualifying Scores for the following year as per this Charter.

1.3.4. Maintain a register of all relevant scores achieved by members and calculate the points and rankings from such scores as per this Charter.

1.3.5. Present current status of points holders to the Publicity Officer for inclusion in each edition of the *SARPA News*.

2. STATE TEAM MANAGER (Team Manager)

2.2. Appointment is in accordance with other ratified positions of Sub-Management. The Team Manager may not be the Team Captain. The Team Manager shall be nominated by the current State Team members and the appointment ratified by the SARPA Executive. Upon the resignation or termination of the appointment, the current State Team members will nominate a replacement.

2.3. The person may or may not be a competing member of the State Team and appointment accepts the following responsibilities:-

2.3.1. To act as the liaison between SARPA Executive and the State Team.

2.3.2. To ensure that all State Team members have completed the National Championships Entry Form and entered the matches in which they will represent or be a reserve for South Australia.

2.3.3. For National Championships interstate, the Team Manager, **while maintaining economical diligence at all times**, is to book suitable accommodation as stated in Clause 4. State Team Finances and to seek pre-approval for this expense at a SARPA Executive Meeting.

2.3.4. For National Championships interstate, the Team Manager, **while maintaining economical diligence at all times**, is to hire sufficient ground transport as stated in Clause 4 State Team Finances and to seek pre-approval for this expense at a SARPA Executive Meeting.

- 2.3.5. For National Championships interstate, to co-ordinate with state team members their travel arrangements to the host state and the arranged accommodation to enable economical use of ground transport where required.
- 2.3.6. To ensure that all State Team members have any required documents for completion to comply with the host State's legislation for the transportation of firearms into and out of its jurisdiction.
- 2.3.7. To ensure that all State Team members accepting their selection have signed the State Team Code of Conduct.
- 2.3.8. Attend all Technical Meetings at the host range prior to the commencement of each section of the National Championships.
- 2.3.9. Arrange meetings of the State Team at the conclusion of each day's competition and presentation ceremony and any other meetings as may be deemed necessary.
- 2.3.10. To advise State Team members at each team meeting of the start times for the next day's competitions and assist arrangements for timely transportation of team members to the range each day.
- 2.3.11. Represent Team members in protests, appeals, etc. during the Nationals.
- 2.3.12. Represent Team members at functions, meetings, etc. during the Nationals.
- 2.3.13. In co-operation with the Team Captain, discipline any member of the State Team as considered necessary, but in all cases immediately provide a full written report to the SARPA Executive.
- 2.3.14. Preside over the election of the Team Captain, exercising a casting vote if necessary.

3. STATE TEAM CAPTAIN (Team Captain)

- 3.1. The Team Captain may not be the Team Manager.
- 3.2. The Team Captain to be elected from members of the State Team by those members as soon as practicable after the Team has been announced. Upon the resignation of the Team Captain or termination by the current State Team, the State Team shall elect a replacement.
- 3.3. The Captain has the following duties and responsibilities:-
 - 3.3.1. represent the State Team members, either singularly or collectively and be present at all meetings between the Team Manager and the Team.
 - 3.3.2. collect any team trophies won by teams at National Championships.
 - 3.3.3. Assist with any of the duties of the State Team Manager when or as may be required.

STATE TEAM FINANCES

4.1. The Team Manager to table quotes for proposed expenses at the SARPA Executive meetings for discussion and approval prior to the National Championships.

4.2. Upon approval, the SARPA Executive is to fund the following expenses:

- (i) Registration and entry fees for each team member as per the announced team representation.
- (ii) Presentation Dinner ticket
- (iii) Travel costs when National Championships are interstate - A maximum contribution of \$300.00 to be made to each State Team member toward travel costs from and to their residential address and the interstate National Championship venue.

SARPA **may** grant a contribution toward travel to country team members for Nationals held in South Australia (Team Manager to seek approval at a SARPA Executive Meeting **prior** to each SA hosted National Championship event).

- (iv) Accommodation when National Championships are interstate – accommodation will be provided for those State Team members staying at the team venue **from the arrival day (one day before training day) until the morning after the final Presentation Dinner** – PA & WA1500 arrive Thursday allowing Friday/Saturday training; ISSF arrive Tuesday allowing Wednesday training and Action two days prior to Competition start allowing one training day. Any extra accommodation desired will be at the individual team members own expense.

If a State Team member decides to stay elsewhere no funding will be applicable unless extenuating circumstances prevail (eg wheelchair access required) and the Team Manager has sought approval at a SARPA Executive Meeting in which case **equivalent** funding as would be paid at team accommodation may be applicable.

- (v) Car Hire when Nationals are interstate - ground transport will be provided for State Team members not travelling in their own vehicles. Funded vehicles are to be used from and to the arrival point in the host state, to and from the Championship range and to and from the Presentation Dinner venues.

State Team members who decide to use their own vehicles **will not** receive extra compensation above the maximum travel contribution (4.2.iii).

- (vi) A competition team uniform for each state team member consisting of two State Team T-shirts, a State Team Tracksuit Top and a cap (if available) will be supplied.
- (vii) **Approved** expenses, upon presentation of original invoices and receipts, will be reimbursed by the SARPA Executive for State Team activities incurred by the Team Manager.

4.3 Any shortfall in the above expenses are to be covered by the individual State Team member.

5. STATE TEAM ENTRY SCORES

5.1. The scores required to qualify for membership of the State Team Squad will be recommended by the TEAM CO-ORDINATOR at the beginning of each Selection Period.

5.2. The level of qualifying scores is to be determined by the standard of shooting in the previous selection year and this system is to be self-correcting.

5.3. Qualifying Scores in ISSF and PA events will be based on the fifth score recorded in the previous twelve months for each match. This score is rounded down to the nearest five points. The junior scores will remain at 85% of the maximum score for the match shot.

5.4. The Action scores will remain at 1875 for Action and 1770 for Metallic.

- 5.5. The Qualifying scores for the following year will be announced at the same time as the State Team.
- 5.6. Shooting one of these scores at any SARPA sanctioned Open shoot or higher, as listed in 6.3, entitles the achiever to be considered for the State Pistol Team.

6. ISSF & PA STATE TEAM SELECTION

- 6.1. Shooters are ranked on points acquired for recording Qualifying Scores at sanctioned events as per 6.3
 - 6.1.1. South Australia events.

From results that are certified by the head official, (Judge or Referee if no Judge in attendance) who has been rostered and attends the competition. . These certified results are emailed direct to the State Team Co-ordinator.
 - 6.1.2. Other events

The Scorer of the Host Club, of the competition emails a copy of the file with exported results from the OpenW program or similar. These results are emailed direct to the State Team Co-ordinator.
- 6.2. Qualifying Scores can also be recorded from published results. E.g. the AISL results page or the VAPA results page etc
- 6.3. The only competition scores to be submitted for SA State Team selection are from the following SARPA & PA sanctioned competitions:
 - Open Shoots, both SA and interstate,
 - Junior Tri-States
 - SASA Junior Championship
 - State Championships, both SA and interstate
 - PA & ISSF National Pistol Championship (Easter)
 - Action National Championship
 - WA 1500 World Championship
 - Aussie Cups (first two attended - see 6.4)
- 6.4. With Aussie Cups - Only the first two Aussie Cups attended, in a selection year, will be accepted for state team selection points. If a match is shot more than once at the same competition, then the last score will be accepted.

- 6.5. Points are acquired on a continuous basis, are decreased by one third of the aggregated total every four months on a determined date and are carried on from one year to the next year.
- 6.6. During calculations, final point's totals are rounded off downwards to the nearest half a point.
- 6.7. Different competitions attract different numbers of points for shooting a Qualifying Score, as follows:-
- Action / PA & ISSF Nationals Pistol Championships 20 points
 - Aussie Cups, WA 1500 World Championship 20 points
 - State Titles 10 points
 - Open Shoots, Junior Tri- States, SASA Junior Championship 5 points
- 6.8. Furthermore, score bonus points may be earned on a point for a point basis by exceeding the Base Qualifying Score. (e.g. Qualifying Score is 555 for Centre Fire, a competitor scores 558, at an event listed in 6.3, he/she acquires a three point score bonus)
- 6.9. Using the above information, an example of how many points can be gained in different competitions by getting a 558 in Centre Fire:

Competition	Base Points	Score Bonus	Total Points
Open Shoots	5	3	8
State Titles	10	3	13
Nationals / Aussie Cups / etc	20	3	23

- 6.10. In the event of a tie, the shooter who acquires more points in the final period is ranked higher
- 6.11. Following is an example of how points are calculated - the selection date begins on the 1st of December therefore 1st April and 1st Aug the following year are the dates on which collected points are cut by one third each time.

From 1st December, let us look at some examples.

In Service, shooter A, earns 39 points and shooter B, earns 6 up to 31st March and then 1/3 reduction:

$$\text{A } 39 - 13 = 26 \qquad \text{B } 6 - 2 = 4$$

Same shooters earn 19 and 5 points respectively up to the 31st July and then 1/3 reduction:

$$\text{A } 26 + 19 = 45 - 15 = 30 \qquad \text{B } 4 + 5 = 9 - 3 = 6$$

Same shooters earn 24 and 9 points respectively up to the 30th November and then 1/3 reduction:

$$\text{A } 30 + 24 = 54 - 18 = 36 \qquad \text{B } 6 + 9 = 15 - 5 = 10$$

On December 1st, all shooters are ranked according to points and the Team selection is carried out.

The final points tally from this year is carried forward to next year's selection block and the entire process continues and by next March 31 shooters A and B get a further 20 and 11 points respectively towards next year's selection

$$\text{A } 36 + 20 = 56 - 18.6666 = 37 \text{ (rounded down from 37.3333)}$$

$$\text{B } 10 + 11 = 21 - 7 = 14$$

And so it continues.....

7. FURTHER STATE TEAM SELECTION CRITERIA

- 7.1. A SARPA State Pistol Team, to compete in National Championship, will be selected using this Charter and the points acquisition system and allied conditions.
- 7.2. The Selection Period for State Team selection purposes is from 1st December of one year to 30th November of the following year – the final team will announced once ratified by the SARPA Executive. In the case of the nationals being held other than Easter time the competition year will end 2 months before the commencement of the event.
- 7.3. Shoots spanning a cut-off date are included in the four month time-block of the first day of competition – e.g. competition dates are 30th November to 1st December any points scored over the two days are included in the 30th November selection period.
- 7.4. Should any of the criteria not cover a selection situation, then the matter will be determined by the SARPA Executive after consultation with the Team Co-ordinator.
- 7.5. During a National Championship, if a team member cannot compete, the State Team Manager after consultation with the State Team Captain may replace that member with another team member, including the Manager, regardless of their qualification in that match.
- 7.6. Team selection is based on points accrued for scores shot at competitions as laid out in this Charter.
- 7.7. A member must achieve at least one Qualifying Score at any SARPA sanctioned Open shoot or higher, as listed in 6.3, and be ranked in the top three in a particular event, based on the points system, to be **considered** for Team membership. **PLEASE NOTE:** If a member is ranked 3rd in a team, then they **MUST** also be in the top 3 in another match to be eligible for State Team membership. If the Nationals are held in South Australia, then they can be the 3rd Team Member in that single only event.
- 7.8. All full teams are teams of three - the exception is the Action 1920 Match Metallic Sight team which is a 2 person team therefore both must be members of the Action 1920 Match team.
- 7.9. If a team is not complete, and there is no other team member with one Qualifying Score, then a selected team member with the best average of their highest Open or above scores **may** be selected.
- 7.10. When this also is not possible, then the Team Co-ordinator **may** recommend a person/s, with reasons, to the SARPA Executive.
- 7.11. Full teams will be announced, if possible, as soon as practical and certainly within twenty-one days after the end of the Selection Period of the year. Any reserve is to be a person already selected in another team for the same Championships.

8. STATE TEAM RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- 8.1. State Team members shall be notified, in writing/email, of selection within twenty-one days of the end of the selection period.
- 8.2. State Team members must sign and comply with the South Australian Pistol Team Code of Conduct (copy attached).
- 8.3. Team Members are to acknowledge receipt of the Guidelines for Interstate Travel and Accommodation for SA State Pistol Team Members and Supporters (copy attached).
- 8.4. New members of the Team to be supplied with a competition team uniform consisting of two State Team T-shirts, a State Team Tracksuit Top and a cap (if available). Uniforms **must** be

worn at all times when at National Competitions host range. The competition uniforms may be worn by State Team members for Open competitions and State Championships.

8.5.State Team members attending the National Championships are required to :-

(a) wear the uniform as defined as follows

- traveling uniform – SARPA blazer & SARPA tie (if you have one)with grey trousers and white shirt. For women, SARPA blazer (if you have one)white blouse, grey skirt or trousers.

OR for all team members who do not have a SARPA blazer:

competition team uniform consisting of State Team T-shirt, a State Team Tracksuit Top and a cap (if available) with neat blue long pants / trousers / jeans.

- competition uniform – State Team T-shirt, State team tracksuit top and cap (if available), and any suitable neat blue long pants/jeans or approved navy shorts and enclosed footwear approved under the relevant competition rules and regulations. Any item of clothing must comply with the ISSF rules as to sponsorship, and be approved by the State Team Manager the day before competition.
- (b) State Team members are expected to attend presentation ceremonies and Team Meetings at the end of each day's competition.
- (c) Team members are expected to attend the presentation dinner if they are remaining for the duration of the National Championships.
- (d) Team members are expected to stay in the accommodation at the organised Team venue.

8.6. Individual team members are responsible for their travel bookings and costs and complying with airline and transportation regulations in regard to the carrying of firearms to and from the competitions.

8.7. A State Team member can expect the support of the Team Manager, Team members and SARPA Executive and is expected to support the Team Management and behave in a responsible and respectful manner at the National Championships and in accordance with the SA Pistol Team Code of Conduct.