

2025 Targeted Athlete Support (TAS) Program Policies and Procedures

Effective Date: May 25, 2025 In Effect Until: December 31, 2025

1. Scope:

The Targeted Athlete Support (TAS) Program is a USOPC program that provides resources to proven medal-contending athletes to fill gaps in their training and preparation not otherwise covered by other funding sources.

2. Eligibility Criteria

Athletes who meet the following criteria are eligible to enter the TAS Program. Criteria refer to performances in individual Olympic shooting events in which the ISSF maintains a World Ranking List. Those events are:

| 10m Air Pistol Men | 10m Air Rifle Men | Skeet Men |
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| 10m Air Pistol Women | 10m Air Rifle Women | Skeet Women |
| 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men | 50m Rifle 3 Positions Men | Trap Men |
| 25m Pistol Women | 50m Rifle 3 Positions Women | Trap Women |

Performances in Team events (including Mixed Team) and in non-Olympic events are not included for eligibility. Athletes competing in multiple events can only qualify for the TAS Program once and will be eligible for the highest Tier for which they qualify.

Tier 1 Targeted Athlete Support (TAS) Criteria

- Tier 1 athletes will have achieved one of the following criteria by May 25, 2025: Medal at the 2024 Olympic Games,
 - OR, Qualify for a Final at the 2024 Olympic Games and Medal in an ISSF World Cup/Final Olympic Qualification Championship from the start of 2024,
 - *OR, Medal in 3 ISSF World Cups/Final Olympic Qualification Championship from the start of 2024,*

OR, Medal in 2 ISSF World Cups in 2025,

OR, Rank in the Top 10 of the ISSF World Ranking.

Tier 2 Targeted Athlete Support (TAS) Criteria



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Tier 2 athletes will have achieved one of the following criteria by October 1, 2025:

- Qualify for a Final in the 2024 Olympic Games and one Final in an ISSF World Cup/ Final Olympic Qualification Championship from the start of 2024,
- OR, Qualify for a Final in 3 ISSF World Cups from the start of 2024,
- OR, Qualify for a Final in 2 ISSF World Cups in 2025,
- OR, Medal in one ISSF World Cup in 2025,
- OR, Medal in the 2024 ISSF Junior World Championships and qualify for one Final in an ISSF World Cup in 2025,
- OR, Rank in the Top 10 of the ISSF World Ranking on October 1, 2025.

3. Requirements for Requesting TAS Support

- An eligible athlete requesting TAS support must first meet with the USAS National Team Manager and the USAS High Performance Director to develop and submit a Training Plan that demonstrates how the requested TAS support will enhance their preparation for achieving medals at the 2025 ISSF World Championships and the 2028 LA Olympic Games. The Training Plan must be submitted to the USAS High Performance Director. The athlete may request other people from within their support network to join in the discussion and development of the training plan.
- 2. Athletes will submit specific TAS supported activity requests to the USAS High Performance Director.
- 3. Specific TAS supported activity requests must be approved by the USAS High Performance Director and the USOPC.
- 4. Upon approval the TAS supported activity may be funded directly by the TAS Program, may be reimbursed to the athlete from the TAS Program, or may be a combination of direct funding and athlete reimbursement.
- 5. Athletes must provide a follow up evaluation report to the USAS High Performance Director after each TAS supported activity assessing the effectiveness of the activity in preparing the athlete for medal winning performances at the 2025 World Championships and 2028 LA Olympic Games.