

GENERAL INFORMATION

All information is available on the following websites:

www.issf-sports.org

www.cssf-shooting.org

All Preliminary and Final Entries for Athletes and Officials must be done directly online:

https://shootingsportscloud.com

For any questions or support: registration@issf-sports.org

Invitation 1.

The Invitation is attached to this General Information.

2. **Dates and Schedule**

Official Arrival 3 MAY 2025 Pre-Event Training (Skeet) 4 MAY 2025

4 MAY 2025 (Skeet); 8 MAY 2025 (Trap) **Technical Meeting**

Opening Ceremony 4 MAY 2025

Competitions 5 MAY - 11 MAY 2025

Official Departure 12 MAY 2025

The Preliminary Competition Schedule of the ISSF World Cup is attached to this General Information. The Final Competition Schedule (including Training Schedule) will be distributed after the Final Entry Deadline (30 days before the Official Arrival Day).

The latest Schedule updates will be provided at the Technical Meeting.

3. **Rules and Regulations**

The ISSF World Cup will be conducted according to the actual ISSF Rules and Regulations. Detailed information is available on the ISSF website www.issf-sports.org.

ISSF Juries (Competition Jury, RTS Jury, and Equipment Control Jury) will be designated by the ISSF to supervise the ISSF World Cup. Qualified Range Officers / Referees holding applicable ISSF licenses will conduct the competitions.

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Shotgun Equipment

All Skeet athletes must have an ISSF seal with serial number on their Skeet marker tapes. Any shooting vests that do not have an ISSF seal on the Skeet marker tape must be submitted to Equipment Control for inspection and the affixing of a seal before the competition.

Equipment Control will be conducted according to ISSF Rules using approved, calibrated instruments. Pre-competition testing is not mandatory. However, athletes are responsible for competing with legal equipment and clothing. All athletes are urged to submit any doubtful equipment and clothing to Equipment Control or the Shotgun Jury for checking before the competition. All athletes are subject to being selected for random testing during the competition. Athletes found to be in violation of the rules for Shotguns or Skeet marker tapes will be disqualified.

Buttstock Height (for Skeet only)

The height of the buttstock (either adjustable or "Monte Carlo" type) measured from the highest point of the cheek rest to the lowest point of the butt plate toe must not exceed 170mm (17cm). Any butt plate toe vertical extension which is not an integral part of the buttstock and simply intended to increase its height, is not permitted.



Cartridge Control

During Qualification, athletes whose cartridges are to be tested are selected by a computer draw. Between 10% and 18% of the athletes participating in an event will be selected for cartridge testing. Two (2) plus four (4) cartridges will be selected from each athlete and placed in separate labeled envelopes. The two (2) cartridges must be tested first. If both cartridges weigh 24.50 g or less, no further action will be taken. If one (1) or both cartridges weigh more than 24.50g, then the four (4) cartridges in the second envelope must be tested. If the average of the six (6) cartridges weighs more than 24.50 g, then the athlete must be disgualified (DSQ).

During Final, all six (6) finalists must be tested using the same procedure. The Finalists or their Coaches/Officials must bring, as early as possible, but not later than 30 minutes before the scheduled start of the Final (Reporting Time), all the cartridges that will be used during the Final and place them in separate Cartridge Control Boxes on the Finals field of play. The Finalists must report at least 15 minutes before the start of the Final. The Equipment Control Jury will take the necessary samples from the boxes. The boxes must be left under the supervision of a Shotgun Jury Member. Once cartridges are placed in the box, only the Equipment Control Jury or the Finalist can remove cartridges from the box. If additional cartridges are brought to a Finalist during Finals, samples from those cartridges must also be selected for testing. All cartridge controls must be completed before the start of the Presentation of the Finalists. Any disqualified (DSQ) athlete will not be allowed to participate in the Final (There will be no elimination for 6th place; the first elimination will be for 5th place).

Colored Wads

Only transparent or translucent wads with no color may be used. Colored wads are prohibited.

Equipment Control

Equipment Control will be open to athletes according to the Competition Schedule.

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4. Participation

Individual Events

ISSF Member Federations can enter a maximum of three (3) athletes per individual event who are competing for Medals. In addition, up to two (2) additional athletes per event can be entered to compete for Ranking Points Only (RPO).

Mixed Team Events

ISSF Member Federations can enter a maximum of two (2) teams per mixed team event, consisting of one (1) male and one (1) female athlete.

Maximum Entry / Range Capacity

The maximum number of starts per event is the number of athlete / mixed team entries that can be accepted for each event. Range capacity is determined by the available shooting time and the number of available ranges.

If the maximum number of starts is reached during the Final Entry process, a "waiting list" for that event(s) will be established. If cancellations are subsequently received, entries from the waiting list will be entered on a first come, first served basis.

ISSF and Organizing Committee will cooperate to determine if additional entries from the waiting list can be accommodated.

Men Events	Max. No. of Starts	Women Events	Max. No. of Starts
Trap Men	120	Trap Women	60
Skeet Men	102	Skeet Women	54

Mixed Team Events Max. No. of Teams

Trap Mixed Team 36

ISSF ID Number

All athletes must sign an "Athlete's Declaration" and have an official ISSF ID number issued before participation in the ISSF World Cup.

Athletes without ISSF ID number will not be allowed to participate. ISSF ID numbers can be obtained from the ISSF Headquarters by using the official application form.

Attention: Starting from 2025, all athletes, even with an official ISSF ID number already issued, must sign the updated "Athlete's Declaration" (Edition 2025) once again. Without renewed signature the athlete cannot be registered online and will not be allowed to participate in any ISSF Championship. The ISSF Headquarters communicated all details about this new procedure already in November 2025.

ISSF Member Federations are urged to ensure that all of their athletes who should be registered for the ISSF World Cup Nicosia 2025 have signed the updated declaration and returned it together with the a copy of the athlete's passport for verification purposes to the ISSF Headquarters at registration@issf-sports.org far ahead of the Final Entry Deadline.

5. Registration Process

Please complete the attached Registration Forms (Annex 1 - 6) and return them by the established deadlines (see also: "Summary of Deadlines").

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Preliminary and Final Entries for Athletes and Officials must be done directly online by using the ISSF Online Registration System only. There are no separate Registration Forms available, any entries received by email will not be accepted.

Preliminary Entries

ISSF Member Federations must submit their Preliminary Entries by using the ISSF Online Registration System at https://shootingsportscloud.com.

The Preliminary Entry Deadline is 3 FEB 2025.

Final Entries

ISSF Member Federations must submit their Final Entries by using the ISSF Online Registration System at https://shootingsportscloud.com.

The Final Entry Deadline (30 days before the Official Arrival Day) is 3 APR 2025.

Late Entries

If the maximum number of athlete entries has not been reached, late entries will only be accepted until the **Late Entry Deadline** (3 days before the Official Arrival Day) which is **29 APR 2025.**

Important Note: Until the 3 days Late Entry Deadline, the following changes in the Final Entries are possible without restriction and additional fees:

- a) Change of names / athletes within an event
- b) Change of status ("Medal" athlete ↔ "RPO" athlete) within an event.

Any additional entries received after the Late Entry Deadline, from **30 APR 2025** onwards, may not participate.

Entry Confirmation upon arrival

All Team Leaders of participating ISSF Member Federations must report to the Organizing Committee Entries Official and confirm their Final Entries. The confirmation must be completed before 12:00h on the day before the Pre-Event Training.

Entry Changes after the Late Entry Deadline

From 30 APR 2025 onwards, only the following changes in the Final Entries are permitted:

- a) Replacement of a registered athlete by another already registered athlete (in another event) can be made only before 12:00h on the day before the Pre-Event Training for that specific event.
- b) Status exchange between a registered athlete for competing for Medals and a "RPO" athlete can be made only before 12:00h on the day before the Pre-Event Training for that specific event.

Cancellation

Any ISSF Member Federation that reduces the number of athletes and / or officials after the Final Entry Deadline (3 APR 2025) must pay all applicable entry fees and hotel room cancellation costs according to the number of athletes and officials entries originally received. If the applicable fees and costs are not paid, no member of that federation may participate.

Entry Fees

The entry fees include all charges for registration, local transportation between shooting range and official hotels and doping control.

The entry fees include one (1) round of Pre-Event Training.

They DO NOT include additional costs for Pre-Event and Unofficial/Official Training.

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Fee		Description
EUR	170.00	Final Entry Fee per athlete / per event
EUR	170.00	Final Entry Fee per mixed team / per event
EUR	50.00	Final Entry Fee per official
EUR	220.00	Late Entry Fee per athlete/mixed team / per event (170.00 + additional 50.00 Euro)
EUR	170.00	Cancellation Fee per athlete/mixed team / per event
EUR	50.00	Cancellation Fee per official
EUR	8.00	Pre-Event Training Fee per round of Trap / Skeet (25 / 29 targets)
EUR	8.00	Unofficial/Official Training Fee per round of Trap / Skeet (25 targets)
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Payment of Entry Fees

All payments must be made in cash upon arrival at the shooting range. Pre-payment of entry fees is possible via bank transfer to the following bank account:

Bank: EUROBANK Cyprus

Account holder: NICOSIA SHOOTING CLUB

Account number (IBAN): CY41 0180 0008 0000 2001 0031 5356

SWIFT-Code / BIC: ERBKCY2N

All bank charges must be paid by the participating federations. Please make only one (1) payment for all members of your delegation.

Accreditation Process

All persons involved in the ISSF World Cup (Athletes, Team Officials, ISSF Officials, OC Officials, Media Persons, ...) must have accreditations that clearly identify the accreditation holder (with photograph, family name and first name, country and function) in order to use the local transportation and to enter controlled areas on the shooting range.

Accreditations (for persons registered before the Late Entry Deadline) will be prepared in advance by the ISSF and Organizing Committee. During the online registration process, the ISSF Member Federations can upload pictures of their athletes and officials to be displayed on the accreditations. There will be no possibility to take photos for accreditations on the shooting range.

Accreditations and BIB Numbers will be distributed by the Organizing Committee after payment of the entry fees.

6. Shooting Range

The ISSF World Cup will take place at the Cyprus Olympic Shooting Range 'Lakis Psimolophitis' in the area of Latsia, on the outskirts of the city of Nicosia. It already hosted 3 ISSF World Championships, 8 ISSF World Cups, 2 ISSF World Cup Finals and 3 European Championships.

The shooting range is situated at a distance of 10 km from Nicosia city center, 45 km from Larnaca, 80 km from Limassol, 85 km from Paralimni and Ayia Napa and 150 km from Paphos. The driving time from **Larnaca International Airport**, to the shooting range is approximately 45 minutes. Address:

60 Apalou str. - Latsia 2238, Nicosia, Cyprus

- Latitude and Longitude: 35.082203299999996 33.3554264
- DMS (degrees, minutes, seconds): N 35°4'55.9302" / E 33°21'19.5336"
- http://goo.gl/maps/47edn

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Shotgun

The shooting range has four (4) separate ranges for Trap and four (4) separate ranges for Skeet. One of the Trap ranges is combined and will be used for Finals.

The shooting range is equipped with Nasta (FIN) machines and Elettronica Progetti (ITA) acoustic release systems.

The Skeet ranges operate with acoustic / manual release system.

All ranges are equipped with Elettronica Progetti (ITA) electronic scoreboards and results monitors.

The firing direction of the shooting range is north.

The targets used for the ISSF World Cup are eco-friendly from Eurotarget (ITA), standard orange for the Qualification and flash orange for the Finals.

7. Immigration and Customs Requirements

Entry Visa

Cyprus is a full member of the European Union, and some nations require visas to enter into Cyprus.

Important Note: Cyprus is NOT an active Schengen Visa member. Schengen Visas are acceptable, but provided that they have been activated in another European country before arrival in Cyprus.

We strongly advise all NON-European Union participants to verify well in advance whether they need a visa for entry into Cyprus. The visas must be obtained from a Cyprus Embassy or Consulate abroad **prior to arrival**. No visas are granted upon arrival at the airport. The Organizing Committee will be ready to supply to the participants applying for a visa, any necessary additional supporting documentation.

Detailed information regarding visas and formalities for entry into Cyprus can be found on the website of the Cyprus Ministry of Foreign Affairs www.mfa.gov.cy, at the "consular information" and "travel information for foreign visitors" sub-sections.

Custom Formalities, Import of Firearms

All athletes, NOT holding a 'European Firearms Passport' (EFP) will be requested upon arrival at Larnaca or Paphos airports, to present to customs (Red Channel) the completed Firearm and Ammunition Form (Annex 6), in order to obtain a temporary shotgun import permit. No other documentation or certification is necessary prior to arrival.

European Union members holding a 'European Firearms Passport' (EFP) will be required to check their shotguns through customs (Red Channel) also and verify the serial numbers of their shotguns, only.

The shotgun permits or the 'European Firearms Passports' (EFP) must be represented to customs at the time of departure.

IMPORTANT for all athletes (EU or non-EU members):

The import of **12G Semiautomatic shotguns** is prohibited in Cyprus. Athletes, who intend to bring to Cyprus such shotguns for exclusive use at the competition, must contact the Cyprus Shooting Sport Federation **at least two (2) months** before arrival in order to obtain a special import permit.

Useful Information on the Carriage of Shotguns on International Flights

As a rule, before issuing any flight ticket the travel agency appointed to book the flights must make sure

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that both the ammunition and the firearms are accepted on board the aircraft till the final destination. The approval should appear in the electronic ticket (on the PNR Passengers Name Record) or on a separate message sent to the travel agency by the Airline Company.

The rules governing the carriage of firearms are those of the carrier who owns the aircraft therefore in case of flights made in code-sharing, the approval must come from both companies even if on the ticket the abbreviation of only one Company appears (i.e. AZ - EI - LH - SU, etc).

Normally, the final decision to accept **annex**es and ammunition on board comes from the captain / Airline Company, but once you have the "ok" on your flight ticket, the Airline Company is responsible for having your firearms sent to destination.

In case of indirect flights, it is advisable to consider a connection of at least two hours. Upon landing at the first airport, report to the information counter and make sure that your firearms have arrived and will be taken on board of the connecting flight.

Still, in case of indirect flights, <u>avoid booking</u> them with two different Airline Companies as most of the times the firearms will be discharged and let at the first airport and the owners will have to collect them and make a new check-in, provided the local police authorities do not cause problems of licences. That will probably cost extra security and boarding tax and sometimes extra baggage fees. If passengers are not informed, they risk arriving at the final destination without knowing that their firearms have not been loaded on the connecting flight and are lying in the previous airport. In many countries even if in transit and the baggage is labelled till destination, the control of firearm is made at the first airport of arrival, and this is why it is advisable to keep the situation under control step by step.

All firearms and ammunition must be declared while making flight reservations and at check-in and follow the procedure reserved to these special articles. It is a big mistake to pack them into normal bags and dispatch them as normal baggage because in case of loss it will be very difficult to find the firearms in a short time and finally, owners will be liable to heavy fines. Please bear in mind also, that some Airline Companies (unless your national federation has a special agreement with the Airline Company, for the ammunition) will charge extra for the carriage of the ammunition boxes. The charges vary from EUR 50.00 to EUR 60.00, per box of 5 kgs, one way.

8. Accommodation

Official Hotels

(Rates are inclusive of Buffet Breakfast, in Euro, **PER ROOM PER DAY**).

HOTEL	PLACE	GRADING	SINGLE ROOM	DOUBLE ROOM
Lordos Beach Hotel	Larnaca Sea Coast 45 min. from range	4 star	EUR 155.00	EUR 180.00
Golden Bay Hotel	Larnaca Sea Coast 45 min. from range	5 star	EUR 220.00	EUR 240.00
Sveltos Hotel	Larnaca Sea Coast 45 min. from range	3 star	EUR 85.00	EUR 105.00
Sandy Beach Hotel	Larnaca Sea Coast 45 min. from range	4 star	EUR 160.00	EUR 175.00



Payments OR pre-payments (bank transfers) for accommodation must be made directly to the hotels. The hotels will be ready upon request to provide pro-forma invoices for pre-payment purposes. Delegations and individuals are responsible for paying any extra hotel charges.

Room cancellations after 3 APR 2025 will be liable to cancellation fees as per policy of the selected hotel.

All hotel reservations must be made through the Organizing Committee:

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Please use the Final Hotel Reservation Form (Annex 2) and make reservations no later than **3 APR 2025**. The Federations are kindly requested to submit also the Preliminary Hotel Form (Annex 1) not later than the **15 FEB 2025**.

Federations submitting a Preliminary Hotel Reservation will have priority in the hotel bookings.

Food Service at the Shooting Range

An excellent lunch service as well as drinks and snacks will be available daily at the restaurant of the shooting range, at reasonable prices.

9. Travel and Transportation

Travel - Arrival

Arrival in Cyprus can be made through the two official International Airports in **Larnaca** and **Paphos**, **ONLY**. Larnaca International Airport which is the main airport in Cyprus, offers excellent travel connections with the entire world. Many national airlines like British Airways, Lufthansa, Aeroflot, Austrian Airlines, Aegean Airlines, LOT, Qatar Airways, Emirates hold regular flights to and from Larnaca airport. Flights are also operated from and to Larnaca and Paphos International airports by a big number of other Airlines (mainly charter and low-cost airlines).

Airport pick up – Transportation to the Official Hotels (and return for departure)

The official airports of arrival are Larnaca and Paphos International Airports.

The driving time from Larnaca International Airport to Nicosia hotels is approximately 45 minutes. The driving time from Larnaca International Airport to Larnaca hotels is approximately 20 minutes. The driving time from Paphos Int. Airport to Nicosia/Larnaca hotels is approximately 90 minutes.

The Organizing Committee will arrange an airport pick-up/transfer service and all participating federations are requested to submit the arrival and departure details of their teams on time. Please complete the Final Travel Forms (Annex 4).

The transportation fee **from Larnaca International** Airport to the official hotels is **EUR 40.00** per person (round trip).

The transportation fee from Paphos International Airport to the official hotels is **EUR 150.00** per person (round trip).

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Local Transportation – Shuttle Service

For those participants who will be staying in the official hotels, transport to and from the shooting range will be provided free of charge. A timetable will be published and displayed on the information boards, at the shooting range and at the hotels. The Shuttle Service will start on **3 MAY 2025.**

10. Competition Related Procedures at the Shooting Range

Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting for Skeet will take place on **4 MAY 2025** at the shooting range. The Technical Meeting for Trap will take place on **8 MAY 2025** at the shooting range.

Each participating ISSF Member Federation is kindly requested to have at least one representative present at the Technical Meeting to receive updated information regarding Final Competition and Training Schedules, draw procedures and other important issues related to the ISSF World Cup.

The time of the meeting will be confirmed after the Final Entry Deadline (see also: Final Competition Schedule).

Storage of Firearms and Ammunition

Very limited storage of shotguns and ammunition will be available at the shooting range. The Police Authorities permit all visitors possessing a valid temporary import shotgun permit or a 'European Firearms Passport' (EFP), to store freely their firearms and ammunition in their hotel rooms, during their stay in Cyprus.

Ammunition

The custom authorities will allow all participating athletes to import with them all the necessary cartridges that will be used for the competition. Local made and other well-known imported cartridges (VICTORY, OLYMPIA, RC, FIOCCHI, CLEVER MIRAGE and others) will be available for sale at the shooting range at around EUR 6.00 to EUR 10.00 per box of 25.

Doping Control Tests

Doping Controls Tests will be conducted in accordance with the actual ISSF Anti-Doping Rules.

11. Ceremonies

Opening and Closing Ceremony

The Opening Ceremony will take place on 4 MAY 2025 at the shooting range.

There will be no Closing Ceremony.

Medal Ceremony

The Medal Ceremonies will take place at the shooting range immediately after the end of each Final (see also: Final Competition Schedule).

During the ceremonies the athletes are required to present themselves in their official national uniform or national tracksuits (tops and bottoms).

Flags and Anthems

All participating teams are required to bring with them at least one (1) of their national flags (minimum size: $1m \times 1.5m$ approximately) and one (1) national anthem on standard CD or USB stick (40 - 50 sec).

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12. Weather Information

In May, Cyprus usually has a pleasant and/or hot weather. The average daily temperatures in Cyprus in May range from 18°C (64°F) to 26°C (79°F), gradually increasing throughout the month. During the day, temperatures are usually pleasantly warm, providing comfortable conditions for shooting.

13. Media Relations

All Media representatives must register for the ISSF World Cup by using the Media Accreditation Form at https://forms.gle/hwRX54LN6ViJ9DPR7

The deadline to register Media representatives is 19 APR 2025.

All Finals will be streamed at ISSF TV Youtube channel and will be covered on the ISSF website www.issf-sports.org

A Media Office with all the necessary internet and other office facilities will be available at the shooting range. Sufficient electrical outlets for personal laptops will be provided also.

14. Industry Service

The Organizing Committee will provide exhibition space to industry. Companies wishing to exhibit during the ISSF World Cup must contact the Organizing Committee directly, for further details and costs.

15. Annexes

All necessary Registration Forms are attached to this General Information.

16. Summary of Deadlines

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17. Summary of Contact Information

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