



**2023**

**USAS JUNIOR OLYMPIC NATIONAL  
CHAMPIONSHIP**

**RIFLE**

**Junior Olympic Athletes,**

**Congratulations to all our Junior Olympic National Championship invitees! This match will be held at the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Training Center (USOPTC) in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The match will be held from April 7 – 20, 2023.**

**Please read this Match Program in its entirety! There is a great deal of material covered, including Athlete and Coach requirements, courses of fire, rules, etc. It is your responsibility to know the information referenced and contained within this Program.**

**We hope to see you at the match!**

**Andrew Traciak, Match Director**



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# 2023 Rifle Junior Olympic National Championship

## **MATCH DATES**

April 7-20, 2023

## **LOCATION**

U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Training Center  
USA Shooting, Building 3  
1 Olympic Plaza  
Colorado Springs, CO 80909

## **MATCH DIRECTOR**

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## **ELIGIBILITY**

Competitors must be an eligible Junior Athlete with an invite to the National Junior Olympic Championship from USA Shooting based on State JO performance

Junior Competitors are described by ISSF (International Shooting Sport Federation) Rule 7.4.12

All competitors must be a current Member of USA Shooting. If you are not currently a Member, use this link to register or renew: <https://members.usashooting.org/>

## **REGISTRATION & FEES**

The registration fee is \$125.00 per event. Registration can be found at this link:

<https://ems.usashooting.org/2023-rifle-junior-olympic-national-championship>

***Registration for Automatic and First-Round invite acceptance is due by March 20, 2023, after which time invites for unclaimed slots will be extended to Second-Round invitees.***

***The final registration deadline for the match for all invitees is March 31, 2023.***

Late entries are subject to approval by the Match Director

## **CANCELLATION POLICY**

Cancellations prior to March 31<sup>st</sup> will receive a full refund of match fees, minus a small administrative fee. Cancellations after March 31<sup>st</sup> will not be refunded, except for emergencies or illness.

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## **USOPTC WAIVER**

***All Participants and Coaches must sign a USOPTC waiver prior to arrival at the match.*** The OPTC staff will email all registrants directly with a link to the waiver form. These usually go out about a week before the match start date. Please keep an eye out for the waiver form email and fill out the form promptly upon receipt. Only one waiver is required per calendar year. If it is within 5 days of the match and you have not received a waiver form or filled one out this year, please let us know.

## **SAFESPORT & BACKGROUND SCREENING**

***Athletes 18 years of age and older and all Coaches need to have a valid SafeSport training and Background Screening completed before arrival at the match unless you are only coaching your own child.*** These can be found through your membership profile at <https://members.usashooting.org/login>, in the “Membership Information” section. SafeSport Training can be started through the “Safe Sport Training” tab on the *left-hand* column.

All coaches should familiarize themselves with the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policies (MAAPPs) as well, which can be found here:

<https://uscenterforsafesport.org/training-and-education/minor-athlete-abuse-prevention-policies/>

## **USOPTC COVID-19 PROTOCOLS**

The current COVID-19 protocols for the USOPTC are:

Athletes – No restrictions

Registered Coaches – No restrictions

Spectators – Proof of COVID-19 vaccination required

COVID-19 restrictions are based on USOPC guidelines and are subject to change.

## **COACH REGISTRATION**

In order to actively coach an Athlete during the match (other than parents who are coaching their own child), Coaches must complete Safe Sport and the USOPTC background screening and register as a Coach for this match. To complete these requirements, you must be a USA Shooting member and complete them through your USA Shooting membership profile. If you are not already a USA Shooting member, you can sign up under the “Fan Club” supporting (non-competitive) membership at

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reduced cost to complete these requirements here:

<https://members.usashooting.org/memberregistration>

Select the “Supporting Membership” dropdown to access the Fan Club membership option.

Once these requirements are complete, please use the link below to complete your Coach Registration: <https://forms.gle/hrF3un4PWkHZ1AHw5>

## **CHECK-IN**

All competitors will need to check in with the event staff at the USOPTC prior to shooting. Check-in will be in the Gym in the Sports Center (Building 2).

Please see the OPTC Campus Map for facility entry, parking, and key location directions.

## **SCHEDULE**

Please see posted match schedule on the range at the event, or online on the Events page of the USA Shooting website here: <https://usashooting.org/get-involved/events/>

## **COACH/PARENT & ATHLETE MEETINGS**

Please check the Match Schedule for Coach/Parent and Athlete informational meeting times (on check-in days). Attendance at these meetings is *mandatory*.

## **EQUIPMENT**

All shooting equipment must comply with current ISSF Shooting Rules. Equipment check will be provided in the Gym in the Sports Center (Building 2).

*Equipment check is mandatory for this match.*

## **RULES**

*ISSF & WSPS Shooting Rules and Match Directors Bulletins* will govern this match. All competitors are responsible for compliance with these rules.

Links to the ISSF & WSPS Rulebooks are available below:

[https://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules and regulations/general technical rules.ashx](https://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules%20and%20regulations/general%20technical%20rules.ashx)

[https://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules and regulations/rifle rules.ashx](https://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules%20and%20regulations/rifle%20rules.ashx)

[https://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules and regulations/ristol rules.ashx](https://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules%20and%20regulations/ristol%20rules.ashx)

<https://www.paralympic.org/shooting/rules>

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## **COURSE(S) OF FIRE**

ISSF-Format Qualification and Finals for all discipline. Each competitor will shoot two 60-shot Qualification matches in each discipline. Top 8 overall competitors in each event will be eligible for the Final.

Air Rifle: 10m distance; 60 shots standing in 1hr & 15min

Smallbore Rifle: 50m distance; 20 shots in each position in 1hr & 30min (block time)

Please note time limit change from 1hr & 45min as per latest ISSF rule change.

## **PARALYMPIC MATCH INFORMATION**

All Paralympic disciplines will follow the WSPS Rulebook for classification, adaptive equipment, and courses of fire.

Paralympic Air Rifle events for Men and Women will take place during Men's and Women's Air Rifle.

Paralympic Smallbore events for Men and Women will take place during Men's Smallbore Rifle.

## **SQUADED PRACTICE**

Due to time and range constraints, please note that full-course PET will not be conducted at this match. Instead, PET will be replaced by Squadded Practice, which will be functionally similar but with slightly less time than a full match.

## **START LISTS**

It is the competitor's responsibility to check the Start Lists for their events and know when and where they are scheduled to compete. Start Lists will be emailed, posted at the range, and online on the USAS website Events page. Relay and Firing Point assignments for Squadded Practice and Match 1 for each discipline will be the same. While we endeavor to release an initial Start List a few days before the competition, please be aware that Start Lists are subject to change, so double-check your assignment on the day of the match!

## **AWARD CATEGORIES**

Awards will be given to the top 3 Athletes in the Overall Junior categories based on Finals results. Awards will be given to the top 3 Athletes in the U15, U18, and Paralympic categories based on Qualification aggregate scores.

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## **JUNIOR NATIONAL TEAM PLACEMENT**

Based on the current selection process, Click the link below for details:

<https://usashooting.org/resource-center/#category-olympic>

## **PROTESTS**

A completed ISSF Protest Form and a fee of \$25.00 must accompany any protest or scoring challenge. Protests without a Protest Form will be automatically rejected. Forms are available on ISSF Website.

## **OFFICIATING**

Juries will be appointed and convened as required to resolve any protest or scoring challenge. Decisions of the Jury will be final.

## **TRAVEL**

**COS AIRPORT NOTICE:** To fly out of Colorado Springs Airport (COS) with an air cylinder, the COS TSA office requires that you must be on a list of approved flyers through USA Shooting. If you have not already filled out the COS Travel Google Form for this match, please follow the link below and complete the form as soon as possible. Failure to do so may result in a rejection of the air cylinder for flight by the TSA. Please note that forms must be completed NO LATER THAN 48 HOURS before your flight departure time.

COS Travel Form: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScXkHsVQN-B3N7DqMZoRMbuowZBdr4tem7diljHbx1EzGkyDg/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScXkHsVQN-B3N7DqMZoRMbuowZBdr4tem7diljHbx1EzGkyDg/viewform?usp=sf_link)

## **HOUSING**

A limited number of USOPTC Athlete dorms are available for this match. If you are interested in staying on-campus, please fill out the Dorm Request Form (see link below) **no later than March 25<sup>th</sup> for dorm requests.**

When completing the Form, please be prepared to provide your name, date of birth, USAS member ID number, Safe Sport expiration date (if over 18), background screening expiration date (if over 18), arrival and departure dates, flight information (if flying into/out of COS Airport and requesting shuttle service), and accessibility requirements.

The cost to stay in the dorms is \$125 per night. Full meal access to the OPTC cafeteria is included when staying in the dorms. If flying into/out of COS Airport a free shuttle will be provided between the airport and the OPTC for anyone staying on-campus.

Dorm Housing Request Form: <https://forms.gle/YMpdvQBysWHxdTtA9>

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We also have a group rate established with the Holiday Inn Express & Suites – Colorado Springs Central location. Please see below for details.

NOTE: This group rate is only available for April 6-15 due to another event in town.

Group Name: USA Shooting JO Rifle block

Dates: April 6-15, 2023

Group Rate: Rooms: **\$139.00** Suites: **\$159.00**

Rate is per room, per night, based on single – quad occupancy. This rate does not include tax (currently at 10.20%).

A group link has also been established for reservations here: [Holiday Inn Express-JO Rifle](#)

Please note that since this is a Courtesy Block, there is no guarantee in the number of guest rooms provided to Group by Hotel. Reservations will be available based on availability and the Hotel reserves the Right to close out block at any time, with advance notice.

All guest rooms must be guaranteed with a major credit card at time reservation is made.

## **SCHOOL RELEASE/EXCUSE LETTERS**

If you need an excuse letter for school, please use this link and fill out the short Google Form with your name and the dates you are requesting for release from school for the match. I will be sending these out about a week before the match, but if you need your letter sooner, there is an optional “needed by” date in the Form. If you leave it blank, the needed date will be assumed to be April 1<sup>st</sup>.

<https://forms.gle/mLw7VQgGbyKd4KNJ8>

## **VOLUNTEERS**

Volunteers are a HUGE part of our success!!!! Please take the time to thank our Range Officials... we can't do this without them!

## **SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

*Please keep in mind that the Match Schedule and Start Lists are subject to change.*

Although we make every attempt to maintain the published schedule, maintenance issues and other items are out of our control. It is the responsibility of competitors and/or coaches to check the Schedule and Start Lists daily. Updated information will be communicated to registered competitors' emails.

USAS is not responsible for missed flights, airline change fees, missed relays/squads, etc. Please keep this in mind when making your travel arrangements and schedules.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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