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**2023**

**USAS Winter Air Gun Championship**

**Match Program**

**Air Rifle and Air Pistol Athletes,**

**USA Shooting is pleased to officially announce the 2023 Winter Air Gun (WAG) Championship. WAG will be held in two locations this year: the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Training Center (USOPTC) in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and the Civilian Marksmanship Program (CMP) North Competition Center at Camp Perry, Ohio. The match will be held from December 08 – 10, 2023.**

**As WAG will be in two different locations, the Colorado and Ohio portions will be run independently, with separate Finals and awards at each location. Athletes may choose which location they shoot at, up to range capacity.** **Colorado will be the primary venue for Olympic Selections Part 2 and Paralympic events. Ohio will still be a selection match for ranking points that will be utilized for that national team ranking.**

**Please read this Match Program in its entirety! There is a great deal of material covered, and it is your responsibility to know the information referenced and contained within this Program when registering for, and attending, the competition.**

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

**Ashley MacAllister, Match Director**

**Match Dates**

December 08 – 10, 2023

**Locations**

U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Training Center

USA Shooting, Building 3

1 Olympic Plaza

Colorado Springs, CO 80909

CMP North Competition Center

1000 N. Lawrence Road

Camp Perry Training Site

Port Clinton, OH 43452

**Match Director**

Ashley MacAllister; [ashley.macallister@usashooting.org](mailto:ashley.macallister@usashooting.org)

**Eligibility**

All Athletes 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/>

Junior Athletes are any Competitors under the age of 21 before Dec 31, 2023.

Senior Athletes are any Competitors aged 45 and over as of the first day of the event.

**Registration & Fees**

The Championship (Individual) Event fee is $185.00.

***Registrations are due by November 20th, 2023***

Individual and Coach registration can be found at these links:

**COLORADO SPRINGS (USOPTC) Registration**

**Individual Championship:** <https://ems.usashooting.org/2023-wag-colorado-springs>

**Coach Registration:** <https://ems.usashooting.org/wagselection-colorado-coach>

**CAMP PERRY Registration**

**Individual Championship:** <https://ems.usashooting.org/wag-camp-perry>

**Coach Registration:** <https://ems.usashooting.org/wag-camp-perry-coach>

Late entries are subject to approval by the Match Director may include a late entry fee.

**Cancellation Policy**

Cancellations prior to November 28, 2023 will receive a full refund of match fees, minus a small administrative fee.  Cancellations after November 28th will not be refunded, except for emergencies or illness.

**SafeSport & Background Screening**

SafeSport Training and Background Screening is required for all athletes and coaches over the age of 18.

<https://members.usashooting.org/member/login>, in the “Membership Information” section. SafeSport Training can be started through the “SafeSport Training” tab on the *left-hand* column.

All Coaches, Athletes, and Guardians 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/> and [USA Shooting MAAPP\_2023](https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:VA6C2:bc02fb77-4600-4585-b9d0-103fbbcba3df?viewer%21megaVerb=group-discover)

All Coaches, Athletes, and Guardians should familiarize themselves with the Reporting Policy for all alleged sexual, emotional, and physical abuse and violations of the MAAPP, which can be found here: [Reporting Policy](https://acrobat.adobe.com/id/urn:aaid:sc:VA6C2:bc02fb77-4600-4585-b9d0-103fbbcba3df)

**USOPTC Waiver**

***All Participants and Coaches attending WAG in Colorado must sign a USOPTC waiver prior to arrival at the match. An email will be sent to each individual by the USOPTC directly. Please watch for that email in the weeks leading up to the competition!***

**Check-In**

All Athletes will need to check in upon arrival, before being allowed onto the range.

Check-in at the USOPTC, Colorado location will be in the lobby of the USAS Building (Building 3).

Check-in at the Camp Perry, Ohio location will be at the front desk of the Competitions Center Building.

**Schedule**

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| Date | Day | Details |
| Dec. 8, 2023 | Friday | Check-In & PET (Pre-Event Training) |
| Dec. 9, 2023 | Saturday | Match Day 1 |
| Dec. 10, 2023 | Sunday | Match Day 2, Match Finals, & Awards |

**Start Lists**

It is the Athlete’s responsibility to check the Start Lists for their events and know when and where they are scheduled to compete. Start Lists will be posted at the range, and online on the USAS website Events page. Relay and Firing Point assignments for PET and Match Day 1 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!

**Course(s) of Fire**

Colorado Para Events: R3, R5, P1 and P2

PET: ISSF 60-shot match format with assigned relay times

Match Days 1 & 2: ISSF 60-shot match each day

Match Finals: ISSF 2023 format, with separate Finals for Open and Juniors

**Award Categories**

Awards will be given for Open and Junior Overall categories based on the Day 2 ISSF-format Finals results at each match location.

Awards will be given for U15, U18, and Senior categories based on Qualification Aggregate results at each match location.

Awards for Paralympic Open and Junior Overall categories will be given at the Colorado Springs match location only, based on Qualification Aggregate results.

Additional prizes may be awarded for overall top Athletes between the two match locations based on Qualification Aggregate results, and/or for Final winners.

**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_and_regulations/rifle_rules.ashx>

<https://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules_and_regulations/ristol_rules.ashx>

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

**Equipment**

All shooting equipment must comply with current ISSF Shooting Rules. Equipment legality consultation will be available before each event. Please ask a Range Official if you have questions about your equipment.

**Match Director Bulletins**

Match Director Bulletins will be posted on the Events page of the USA Shooting website and on the range.

**Protests**

A fee of $25.00 will be charged for protests. An official Protest Form must accompany any protest. [Forms](https://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules_and_regulations/forms.ashx) are available on ISSF Website.

**Officiating**

Juries will be appointed and convened as required to resolve any protest. The jury will resolve any scoring challenges. Decisions of the jury are final.

Travel

Competitors are responsible for making their own travel and hotel arrangements. Nearby airports are Colorado Springs (COS), and Denver (DEN). **If flying out of COS with air cylinders, COS TSA must be notified 48 hours in advance with all flight information, or the air cylinders will not be allowed on the plane.**

**Housing**

USOPTC athlete dorms are available for this match (Colorado Springs location only). The cost of staying in the dorms is $125 per night and includes full meal access at the USOPTC cafeteria.

If you would like to stay in the dorms, please contact Ashley MacAllister at [ashley.macallister@usashooting.org](mailto:ashley.macallister@usashooting.org) by October 4, 2023.

Hotel block for the event has been reserved for $119 plus tax per night at:

Hampton In by Hilton Colorado Springs Northeast

4380 Integrity Center Point

Colorado Springs, CO 80917

(719)370-3480

[To book the Hilton click here](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A__www.hilton.com_en_book_reservation_deeplink_-3Fctyhocn-3DCOSSNHX-26groupCode-3DCHHWIN-26arrivaldate-3D2023-2D12-2D07-26departuredate-3D2023-2D12-2D13-26cid-3DOM-2CWW-2CHILTONLINK-2CEN-2CDirectLink-26fromId-3DHILTONLINKDIRECT&d=DwMFAg&c=2WL0YSuuUVVc0p-CnY1CMA&r=jC6DkCnxp9ibec3cu1L2JO03EGoaiHil1bCHZnROIkU&m=g8SZ0q87Ys9eGum-if9nuUISUIsn6uc8j2xHEMY-eknwwnDDZhq9HwyLBzUwVkJ0&s=e1lIi-s19uhh1L8ZBx-q0WcIzZqPTVFz5p7GeWBRfuE&e=)

**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! If you are interested in helping with this match or others, please contact Ashley MacAllister for details on how to get involved.

**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 Athletes and/or Coaches to check the Schedule and Start Lists daily. Updated information will be communicated to registered competitors’ emails.

USA Shooting 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**

If you have any questions, please email [ashley.macallister@usashooting.org](mailto:ashley.macallister@usashooting.org)