



# NORTHERN TERRITORY CLAY TARGET ASSOCIATION INC

## TEAM SELECTION POLICY

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### 1. BACKGROUND

- 1.1.The Northern Territory Clay Target Association Inc's (**NTCTA**) Executive Council (**'Executive Council'**) is responsible for the selection of teams to represent the NT at national championships conducted by the Australian Clay Target Association Inc (**ACTA**), as well as the selection of interstate postal teams.
- 1.2. Under the ACTA shooting rules, the NTCTA is able to develop its own policies for team selection.
- 1.3.However, ACTA rule 3.17 dictates how teams should be selected for the annual interstate postal teams shoot.
- 1.4.Due to weather restrictions in the NT, the NTCTA selects the teams a number of months before the national championships.

- 1.5.As such, this can lead to difficulties in pre-selection of teams, such as shooters losing “form” and predicting their availability in advance.
- 1.6.Attendance at national championships is expensive for individual shooters and the NTCTA tries to assist where possible both financially and for training.
- 1.7. The following provides guidelines to the NTCTA Executive Council when undertaking this process.

## **2 OBJECTIVE**

- 2.1.To provide the members/competitors of all affiliated NTCTA with the best possible opportunities to win national titles;
- 2.2. To promote and raise the public profile of the sport in the NT through providing such opportunities.

## **3. POLICY STATEMENT**

### **General**

- (a) Selection of teams to represent the NT at the ACTA Trap, Skeet and ISSF national championships shall occur during the annual NTCTA Trap, Skeet and ISSF NT championships.
- (b) In all cases if the top selected shooters are not available to attend the respective national championship, the Executive Council shall select the next qualified shooter until the full quota has been filled. It is recognized that in many cases it may not possible to fill all quotas.
- (c) To be eligible, shooters must be residents of the NT and both financial NT and ACTA members prior to and during the NT championships. Interstate shooters cannot be considered for inclusion in an NT team.
- (d) Shooters who may have qualified for more than one division (e.g. open and junior) may not compete in both.
- (e) Eligible shooters will be required to advise the Executive Council as soon as possible after selection as to their availability to attend a national championship. Failure to advise in reasonable time will result in the member being dropped from the team.
- (f) Selected teams shall be encouraged to develop a training schedule in consultation with the NT coaching director.
- (g) The NT coach shall be responsible for the coordination of team training schedules.
- (h) Selection of teams for the annual trap postal interstate teams match will be undertaken during the NT championships as per ACTA rule 3.17.

- (i) Selection of teams for the annual skeet postal interstate teams match will be undertaken during NT championships as per ACTA rule 7.13.
- (j) Selection of teams for the annual ISSF postal interstate teams match will be undertaken during the NT championships as per ACTA rule 17.1.
- (k) NTCTA will seek funding from government and sponsors to assist with the expenses incurred by team members while attending national championships. *See Shooter Assistance Policy.*

### **3.2.Trap (DTL)**

- (a) Trap teams as required by the ACTA will consist of five (5) for the open team and three (3) each for the women, veterans and juniors teams.
- (b) The open trap team shall consist of the five (5) shooters with top aggregate scores achieved over the DB, SB, PS and Postal Team 50 target events.
- (c) The women, veterans and juniors teams shall be the three (3) relevant shooters with top aggregate scores achieved over the DB, SB and PS 50 target events and the Postal Team 25 target event.

### **3.3.Skeet**

- (a) Skeet teams as required by the ACTA will consist of five (5) for the open team and three (3) each for the women, veterans and juniors teams.
- (b) The open skeet team shall consist of the five (5) shooters with top aggregate scores over the 100 Target Skeet, 50 Target Skeet Handicap and 50 Target Postal Team events.
- (c) The women, veterans and juniors skeet team shall consist of the three (3) shooters with top aggregate scores over the 100 Target Skeet, 50 Target Skeet Handicap and 25 Target Postal Team events.

### **3.4.ISSF**

- (a) ISSF teams may consist of three (3) each for men's trap, women's trap, men's skeet, women's skeet in accordance with ACTA Rule 17.5.
- (b) The relevant teams will be those shooters with the top scores before finals for the two disciplines. The Executive Council may apply a weighting from finals performances if necessary.