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The Olympic Council of Ireland ("OCI") and Clay Pigeon Shooting Ireland ("the National Federation") agree the following nomination and selection standards and procedures for the selection of athletes for the 2016 Olympic Summer Games in Rio de Janeiro (the "Olympic Games") for the sport of Clay Pigeon Shooting.

The parties acknowledge and agree that the standards and procedures set out in this Agreement may exceed those stipulated by the International Olympic Committee ("IOC") the Association of National Olympic Committees ("ANOC") and the International Shooting Sport Federation ("ASSF") ("International Federation")

Accordingly, the parties agree that an athlete or team will not be considered eligible for selection as a member of the Irish Olympic Team for the Olympic Summer Games, even though he/she may have achieved the standard stipulated by the International Federation and/or the IOC, unless he/she fulfils the relevant criteria and/or achieves the relevant standard(s) pursuant to and in accordance with this Agreement.

IT IS AGREED THAT:

1. OCI Selection

1.1. The parties acknowledge that under Paragraph 2.1 of Rule 28 of the Olympic Charter the OCI has the exclusive power for the selection and participation of the Irish Olympic Team at the Olympic Summer Games. The parties further acknowledge that under Paragraph 2.1 of the Bye-law to Rules 28 of the Olympic charter, the OCI is required to constitute, organise and lead its delegation at the Olympic Games and that the OCI has the exclusive power in accordance with that Bye-law, to "decide upon the entry of athletes proposed by their respective national federations. The National Olympic Committees (NOCs) must ensure that the entries proposed by the national federations comply in all respects with the provisions of the Olympic Charter".

1.2. Under paragraph 2.3 of the bye-law to Rules 28 - They NOC have the sole and exclusive authority to prescribe and determine the clothing and uniforms to be worn, and the equipment to be used, by the members of their delegations on the occasion of the Olympic Games and in connection with all sports competitions and ceremonies related thereto.

This exclusive authority does not extend to specialised equipment used by athletes of their delegations during the actual sports competitions. For the purposes of this rule, specialised equipment shall be limited to such equipment acknowledged by the Olympic Council of Ireland as having a material effect on the performance of athletes, due to the specialised characteristics of the equipment. Any publicity in respect of any such specialised equipment must be submitted to the Olympic Council of Ireland for approval if there is any reference, express or implied, to the Olympic Games.

- 1.3. In accordance with its exclusive authority, the OCI reserves the right to require any individual nominated by the National Federation to undergo a medical examination carried out under the control of the OCI Chief Medical Officer (and/or his/her appointed representative) at any time prior to, or during the Olympic Games to determine an individual's medical fitness to perform to the best of his/her ability at the Olympic Games and/or to determine whether or not an individual has breached any of the rules contained in or referred to under the Olympic Charter or the Team Member's Agreement in force at the time.
- 1.4. If, pursuant to and in accordance with the results of any such medical examination, the Chief Medical Officer considers in his/her reasonable opinion that an individual nominated and/or selected for the Olympic Games is not physically fit to perform and/or has breached any of the rules referred to in the Team Members' Agreement, the OCI may at its absolute discretion not select or may de-select such an individual.
- 1.5. The parties agree that pursuant to and in accordance with the OCI's exclusive authority, the OCI may at its absolute discretion refuse to select an individual nominated by the National Federation for selection to the Team.
- 1.6. The OCI agrees to notify the National Federation of its selection or refusal to select any nominated athlete as soon as reasonably practicable after the OCI receives the National Federation's relevant nomination.
- 1.7. No Team Member's selection will be ratified by the OCI until all relevant documentation and required procedures are fully completed.

2. National Federation Nominations

- 2.1. The National Federation agrees to submit to the OCI its nomination of any individual(s) or team(s) eligible for consideration under clause 3 below within the relevant deadlines set out in clause 9 below.
- 2.2. The National Federation agrees to provide the OCI with all such relevant documentation, including official results and ranking listings as the OCI may require in order to verify the eligibility of any individual so nominated by the National Federation at the time of nomination.

3. Eligibility for Consideration

- 3.1. The parties agree that they shall not consider any individual or team eligible to participate as a member of the Irish Olympic Team at the Olympic Games (the "Team") unless he/she/ they have achieved or exceeded, as agreed with the OCI, the relevant qualification method or standard as set out by their International Federation and agreed with the IOC and the Association of National Olympic Committees (ANOC) and complies with the nationality requirements as set out in the Olympic Charter and to provide the relevant information to the OCI.
- 3.2. The National Federation agrees that it shall not nominate any individual whose form and/or consistency does not merit nomination. Further, the National Federation agrees to monitor, and if necessary test, an athlete on an ongoing basis in order to ensure his/her current form is of a standard to perform at the Olympic Games.
- 3.3. The National Federation shall not nominate any athlete who is the subject of an anti-doping ban.
- 3.4. The National Federation shall inform the OCI immediately of the results of any anti-doping test of any athlete who is on the long list submitted to the OCI.
- 3.5. The National Federation shall not submit nominations for athletes who have received Tripartite (IOC/ANOC/IF) invitations, re-allocated places or wildcards or who have achieved qualification by means other than that described in the IOC/ANOC/IF qualification system and in this agreement.

4. Close of Nominations to the OCI

The closing date of the nominations to the OCI of athletes for the sport of Clay Pigeon Shooting is 13th July, 2016

5. Appeals

- 5.1. The National Federation shall have an appeals process available to Team member's and have submitted same to the OCI no later than 22nd May, 2015. Any internal appeals process must be concluded prior to nomination to the OCI.
- 5.2. Appeals to the OCI may be heard by the OCI Executive Committee or a sub-committee appointed by the Executive Committee for that purpose. It is agreed by the parties that the decision of the OCI is final.

6. Team Members Agreement

- 6.1. Each team member must sign the OCI's Team Members Agreement and the IOC eligibility form.
- 6.2. Failure to sign the agreement and eligibility form will prevent entry to the Olympic Games.

7. The Announcement of Team Selection

- 7.1. The National Federation agrees not to disclose any nominated athlete's name to the press or any other media until the OCI have selected the team member for the Rio Olympic Games and announced it to the press and other media.
- 7.2. The National Federation further agrees not to make any announcement to the press or other media in any form relating to any individual or team selected or proposed to be selected by the OCI as a member of the Team unless any such announcement is made jointly by the OCI and the National Federation under the OCI's management and control.
- 7.3. The parties agree that no commercial organisation shall be involved in any way in any publicity or advertising at any such joint OCI and National Federation announcement other than one or more of the OCI's sponsors and/or commercial partners.

8. Communication of Information

8.1. The National Federation shall circulate the information contained in this agreement and its Schedule(s) to the athletes, team managers, coaches and other relevant individuals within its sport and shall procure their compliance with it.

- 8.2. The OCI and the National Federation shall publish this agreement and its schedule on their websites.
- 8.3. The OCI shall issue the agreement to all National Federations.
- 8.4. The NF shall publish this agreement subsequent to the OCI doing so.
- 8.5. The NF shall indemnify the OCI for any loss or damage suffered by it as a result of or in connection with the nomination procedure other than those arising from the OCI's negligence.

9. Medical Data Capture Form

9.1. Each team member must complete the OCI Medical Data Capture Form

10. Advance Information

- 10.1. Prior to 22nd May, 2015 the National Federation must submit their selection policy of Athletes for the Olympics for recommendation to the Olympic Council of Ireland and the approval of the Olympic Council of Ireland.
- 10.2. Prior to 22nd May, 2015 the National Federation are required to submit their "fit to perform policy for approval by the Olympic Council of Ireland"

11. Key Deadlines

30th January, 2015

The 'Long List' of all potential team members to be submitted by NF and received by the OCI and this must include an updated athlete profile.

29th January, 2016

Revised (Short) list to be submitted by National Federation and received by the OCI.

13th July, 2016

National Federation nominations to be received by the OCI with all supporting information for selection.

Signed by:

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President

For and on behalf of

Olympic Council of Ireland

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For and on behalf of

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Date: 7/9/14

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INTERNATIONAL SHOOTING SPORT FEDERATION

Shooting

A. EVENTS (15)

Men's Events (9)		Women's Events (6)	
50m Rifle 3 Positions	(FR3X40)	50m Rifle 3 Positions	(STR3X20)
50m Rifle Prone	(FR60PR)	10m Air Rifle	(AR40)
10m Air Rifle	(AR60)	25m Pistol	(SP)
50m Pistol	(FP)	10m Air Pistol	(AP40)
25m Rapid Fire Pistol	(RFP)	Trap	(TR75)
10m Air Pistol	(AP60)	Skeet	(SK75)
Trap	(TR125)		
Double Trap	(DT150)	4	
Skeet	(SK125)		

B. ATHLETES QUOTA

1. Total Quota for Shooting:

	Qualification Places	Host Country Places	Tripartite Commission Invitation Places	Total
Men	214	5	- 24	390
Women	143	4	24	390
Total	357	9	24	390

2. Maximum Number of Athletes per NOC:

	Quota per NOC	Event Specific Quota
Men	18	Maximum 2 athletes per event
Women	12	Maximum 2 athletes per event
Total	30	

3. Type of Allocation of Quota Places:

The quota place is allocated to the NOC.





C. ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

All athletes must comply with the provisions of the Olympic Charter currently in force, including but not limited to, Rule 41 (Nationality of Competitors). Only those athletes who have complied with the Olympic Charter may participate in the Olympic Games.

Additional IF Requirements:

To be eligible to participate in one (1) or more events in Shooting at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, all athletes must have achieved a Minimum Qualification Score (MQS) in one (1) or more events in designated Qualifying Competitions.

A MQS can only be achieved in elimination or qualification rounds of Olympic events in World Championships, World Cups, World Cup Finals, Continental Championships, Continental Games or special designated Qualifying Competitions that take place between 1 August 2014 and 31 March 2016. The list of Qualifying Competitions is published in the ISSF Calendar on the ISSF website [http://www.issf-sports.org/calendar.ashx].

The MQS have been established as follows:

Men		•		
50m Rifle 3 Positions Men	1135		10m Air Pistol Men	563
50m Rifle Prone Men	587 / 615,0*		Trap Men	112
10m Air Rifle Men	570 / 595,0*		Double Trap Men	118
50m Pistol Men	540		Skeet Men	114
25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men 560				
Women				
50m Rifle 3 Positions Women	555		10m Air Pistol Women	365
10m Air Rifle Women 375 / 392			Trap Women	58
25m Pistol Women 555			Skeet Women	60

^{*}First score is applicable to full ring scoring / second score is applicable to decimal scoring





D. QUALIFICATION PATHWAY

QUALIFICATION PLACES

Qualification Procedure:

Quota places can be obtained in designated ISSF supervised Championships that are conducted according to ISSF Rules and take place between 1 August 2014 and 31 March 2016. Quota places can be obtained at the following Championships:

- ISSF World Championships 2014 & 2015
- ISSF World Cups 2015
- Designated Continental Championships or Games 2014 & 2015 & 2016

A quota place can only be obtained if the result achieved by the athlete is equal to or higher than the MQS for that event.

One (1) athlete can obtain only one (1) quota place for his/her NOC.

If a quota place is achieved by an athlete who has already obtained a quota place in any other event, the quota place must be granted to the next highest ranked athlete in that event. The same rule applies when the NOC of an athlete has already obtained the maximum number of quota places in that event.

Ties for quota places will be broken in accordance with applicable tie-breaking rules in the most recent edition of the 2013-2016 ISSF Technical Rules [http://www.issf-sports.org/theissf/rules/english_rulebook.ashx].

The ISSF Executive Committee will determine the locations of international competitions that are designated as Qualifying Competitions and these will be published on the ISSF website [http://www.issf-sports.org/calendar.ashx].

For all Qualifying Competitions, the appropriate ISSF Technical Rules will apply.

For World Cups or separate MQS competitions, each ISSF Member Federation may enter a maximum of three (3) participants per event who are eligible to compete for quota places and a maximum of two (2) additional participants who are only eligible to compete to obtain MQS.

In accordance with these Qualifying regulations, the table below specifies the number of quota places per event that are available at each Qualifying Competition. The highest ranked athletes will obtain one (1) quota place for his/her NOC at the Olympic Games according to the table below.

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QUOTA PLACE DISTRIBUTION TABLE for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games

	Total	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men	Women	Women	Women	Women	Women	Women
Qualification Discipline	Total	Rifle	Rifle	Rifle	Pistol	Pistol	Pistol	Shot-	Shot-	Shot-	Rifle	Rifle	Pistol	Pistol	Shot-	Shot-
Event		FR3X40	FR60PR	AR60	FP	RFP	AP60	gun TR125	gun DT150	gun SK125	STR3X20	AR40	SP	AP40	gun TR75	gun SK75
2014 ISSF World		FR3A40	FROUFK	AROU	FF	KEE	AFOO	11(125	D1130	3K123	311(3/(20	71140	OI .	Al 40	11(75	OKTO
Championship in Granada, ESP	64	5	5	6	4	2	6	3	2	3	5	6	5	6	3	3
2015 ISSF Shotgun World Championship in Lonato, ITA	10							2	2	2				,	2	2
2015 ISSF World Cup in Rifle/Pistol Munich, GER	24	2	2	3	2	2	3				2	3	2	3		
2015 ISSF World Cup in Rifle/Pistol in Changwon, KOR	24	2	2	3	2	2	3				2	3	2	3		
2015 ISSF World Cup in Rifle/Pistol in Fort Benning, USA	24	2	2	3	2	2	3				2	3	2	3		
2015 ISSF World Cup in Rifle/Pistol/ Shotgun in Gabala, AZE	34	2	2	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	3	2	3	2	2
2015 ISSF World Cup in Shotgun in Larnaca, CYP	10							2	2	2					2	2
2015 ISSF World Cup in Shotgun in Acapulco, MEX	10							2	2	2					2	2
2015 ISSF World Cup in Shotgun in Al Ain, UAE	10						*	2	2	2					2	2
Continental Championships 2014 & 2015 & 2016																
Africa Pretoria, RSA	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
America: CAT Guadalajara, MEX	11	1	1	1	1	X	1	1		1	1	1	1	1		
America: Pan Am. Games Toronto, CAN	20	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
Asia: Kuwait City, KUW	35	3	2	2	2	2	2	4	2	4	3	2	3	2	1	1
Europe: European Games Baku, AZE	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Europe: 25m, 50m, Shotgun ECH Maribor, SLO	21	3	2		2	1		3		3	3		2		1	1
Europe: 10m ECH Gyoer, HUN	12			3			3					3		3		
Oceania Sydney, AUS	18	1	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Host Country	9		1			1	1	1		1		1		1	1	1
	366	24	24	29	21	18	29	28	18	28	25	30	23	29	20	20
	24		Tripartite Commission Invitation Places													
Total	390															
Event		FR3X40	FR60PR	AR60	FP	RFP	AP60	TR125	DT150	SK125	STR3X20	AR40	SP	AP40	TR75	SK75





HOST COUNTRY PLACES

The Host Country is guaranteed nine (9) quota places, with one (1) quota place in each of the following events:

Men	Women					
50m Rifle Prone Men	10m Air Rifle Women					
25m Rapid Fire Pistol Men	10m Air Pistol Women					
10m Air Pistol Men	Trap Women					
Trap Men	Skeet Women					
Skeet Men						

The Host Country Places will only be granted quota places in the above-mentioned events if the Host Country did not obtain any quota place in that event during the qualification period. The Host Country Places will be included in the List of quota places which will be sent by ISSF to NOCs for confirmation after the end of the qualification period (see chapter E. Confirmation Process for Quota Places for more details).

TRIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION PLACES

24 Tripartite Commission Invitation Places are available to eligible NOCs for the Shooting events in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

On 15 October 2015, the International Olympic Committee will invite all eligible NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places. The deadline for NOCs to submit their requests is 15 January 2016. The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of invitation places to the relevant NOCs after the end of the qualification period for the concerned sport.

Detailed information on Tripartite Invitation places is contained in the "Games of the XXXI Olympiad, Rio 2016 - Olympic Games Tripartite Commission Invitation Places - Allocation Procedure and Regulations".

E. CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR QUOTA PLACES

The ISSF will publish on its website http://www.issf-sports.org/results/og_qualification/quota_places.ashx a list of quota places obtained for each of the 15 Olympic events. This list will specify the number of quota places per event that each NOC has obtained.

This list of quota places and a list with the names and scores of all athletes who have obtained a MQS will be submitted to all NOCs and all ISSF Member Federations four (4) weeks after the last quota Qualifying Competition, but not later than 11 April 2016.

The NOCs will then have 14 days (latest 25 April 2016) to confirm whether they wish to use these quota places to enter qualified athletes in the Rio 2016 Olympic Games.

If an NOC enters one (1) athlete as a double starter in any event in which that NOC has also obtained the maximum number of two (2) quota places, the unused quota place must be returned to the ISSF for reallocation (see also the definition of double starters in Section G. General Principles Regarding the Use of Double Starters).

An NOC/ISSF Member Federation may request to change a maximum of one (1) quota place in one (1) event for one (1) quota place in any other event if available and if the NOC does not have the maximum

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number of quota places for that event. Applications for quota place changes must be received by the ISSF not later than 25 April 2016.

F. REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUOTA PLACES

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED QUALIFICATION PLACES

If an allocated quota place is not confirmed by the NOC before the quota place confirmation deadline or is declined by the NOC, that quota place will be reallocated to the NOC with the highest number of MQS athletes that has not yet obtained a quota place or been granted a Tripartite Commission Invitation Place for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. In case of several NOCs share the same number of MQS athletes, the NOC with more MQS results will decide the tie. The reallocation of quota places is not linked to the event or gender of the returned quota place. All reallocated quota places are given to the NOC and not to a specific athlete.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED HOST COUNTRY PLACES

Unused Host Country Place(s) will be reallocated to the NOC(s) with the highest number of MQS athletes, that has not yet obtained a quota place or been granted a Tripartite Commission Invitation Place for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. In case of several NOCs share the same number of MQS athletes, the NOC with more MQS results will decide the tie. The reallocation of quota places is not linked to the event or gender of the returned quota place. All reallocated quota places are given to the NOC and not to a specific athlete.

REALLOCATION OF UNUSED TRIPARTITE COMMISSION INVITATION PLACES

If the Tripartite Commission is not able to allocate a Tripartite Commission Invitation Place, it will be reallocated to the NOC with the highest number of MQS athletes that has not yet obtained a quota place or been granted a Tripartite Commission Invitation Place for the Rio 2016 Olympic Games. In case of several NOCs share the same number of MQS athletes, the NOC with more MQS results will decide the tie. The reallocation of quota places is not linked to the event or gender of the returned quota place. All reallocated quota places are given to the NOC and not to a specific athlete.

G. GENERAL PRINCIPLES REGARDING THE USE OF DOUBLE STARTERS

DOUBLE STARTERS

Double Starters are athletes who have an Aa accreditation and, who are entered by their NOC in a specific event where their NOC has obtained a quota place and where the athlete has achieved the required MQS, and who are also entered in another event where the athlete has the required MQS. Double Starters may be entered in other Shooting events provided they have achieved the required MQS and the NOC maximum quota per event is not exceeded.





H. QUALIFICATION TIMELINE

Date	Milestone					
1 August 2014 until 31 March 2016	Quota places can be obtained in designated quota Qualifying Competitions					
1 August 2014 until 31 March 2016	MQS results can be achieved in all ISSF and Continental Championships and in special designated competitions with MQS status					
6 to 20 September 2014	51 nd ISSF World Shooting Championship in Granada, ESP					
11 to 20 October 2014	CAT Championship of the Americas in Guadalajara, MEX					
28 February to 10 March 2015	ISSF World Cup Shotgun in Acapulco, MEX					
19 to 29 March 2015	ISSF World Cup Shotgun in Al Ain, UAE					
8 to 16 April 2015	ISSF World Cup Rifle/Pistol in Changwon, KOR					
24 April to 4 May 2015	ISSF World Cup Shotgun in Larnaca, CYP					
12 to 21 May 2015	ISSF World Cup Rifle/Pistol in Fort Benning, USA					
29 May to 5 June 2015	ISSF World Cup Rifle/Pistol in Munich, GER					
12 to 28 June 2015	European Games in Baku, AZE					
10 to 18 July 2015	Pan American Games in Toronto, CAN					
19 July to 2 August 2015	European Championship 25m/50m/300m/Shotgun in Maribor, SLO					
6 to 16 August 2015	ISSF World Cup Rifle/Pistol/Shotgun in Gabala, AZE					
9 to 18 September 2015	ISSF Shotgun World Championship in Lonato, ITA					
15 October 2015	The Tripartite Commission will confirm, in writing, the allocation of Invitation Places to NOCs					
15 January 2016	IOC will contact all NOCs that are eligible to apply for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places					
In relation to end of qualification period for each sport	Deadline for NOCs to submit their requests for Tripartite Commission Invitation Places					
1 to 12 November 2015	Asian Shooting Championship in Kuwait City, KUW					
26 November to 4 December 2015	Oceania Shooting Championship in Sydney, AUS					
28 November to 6 December 2015	African Shooting Championship in Pretoria, RSA					
22 to 28 February 2016	European Championship 10m in Gyoer, HUN					
4 weeks after last qualifying (or latest 11 April 2016)	ISSF to inform NOCs/ISSF Member Federations of their allocated quota places					
14 days (latest 25 April 2016) after receipt of list of quota places from ISSF	NOCs to confirm their use of allocated quota places to the ISSF					
By 18 July 2016	ISSF to reallocate all unused quota places					
18 July 2016	Rio 2016 Sport Entry Deadline					

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