



**ISSF WORLD CUP
SHOTGUN
LARNACA, CYP
25 MAR – 03 APR 2023**

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. GENERAL

The 2023 World Cup in Shotgun will take place in Larnaca - Cyprus, from March 25th to April 3rd 2023, as follows:

Official Arrival: 25 March 2023
Opening Ceremony: 26 March 2023
Technical Meeting: 26 March 2023
Competitions: 26 March till 02 April 2023
Official Departure: 03 April 2023

All member federations of the International Shooting Federation ISSF are invited to participate without any exception.

Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting for Skeet will take place on **26th March 2023, at 12:00 pm**, at the shooting range. The Technical Meeting for Trap will take place on 31st March 2023, at 12:00 pm.

Each participating ISSF Member Federation should have at least one representative present at the Technical Meetings to receive updated information regarding Final Competition Schedule (including Training Schedule), draw procedures and other important issues related to the competition.

2. SHOOTING EVENTS

Men	Women
Trap	Trap
Skeet	Skeet
Men/Women Mixed Teams Events	
Trap Mixed Team	
Skeet Mixed Team	

3. VENUE

The World Cup will take place at the very well-known **Larnaca Olympic Shooting Range near Tersefanou village, in the district of Larnaca** which hosted successfully, numerous ISSF supervised international shotgun competitions.

Address: Tersefanou Village, 7576 Larnaca.

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Food Service at the Shooting Range

The Range has a very nice restaurant which offers excellent lunch, meals, snacks and a big variety of drinks and beverages, at reasonable prices.

Shotgun Ranges

The Venue offers 4 (four) combined ranges for TRAP / SKEET, 1 (one) separate TRAP and 1 (one) separate SKEET Ranges (**5 Ranges at all times**), all equipped with Mattarelli clay target throwing machines and Progetti acoustic release systems and electronic scoreboards.

The firing direction of the shooting ranges is North.

Clay Targets

The targets to be used in the competition will be Eurotarget: standard orange for the Qualification and flash orange for the Finals.

4. COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Enclosed you will find a detailed Preliminary Competition Schedule.

The final Competition Schedule including training schedules will be distributed after the Final Entry Deadline (30 days before the official arrival day). The latest updates will be provided at the Technical Meetings.

5. RULES AND REGULATIONS – JURY - REFEREES

The competition will be conducted according to the latest ISSF Rules and General Regulations. Detailed information is available on the ISSF website www.issf-sports.org. In case of disagreement in the interpretation of the rules, the valid English text shall prevail.

Jury members (Competition Jury, RTS Jury and Equipment Control Jury) will be nominated by the ISSF to supervise the competition.

International Referees holding applicable ISSF Shotgun Referee licenses will be nominated to officiate at the competition.

Shotgun Equipment / Control

Equipment Control will be conducted according to the 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 or/and clothing to the 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, as per rules.

All skeet athletes must have an ISSF seal with serial number on the marker tapes of their shooting vests. Any shooting vests that do not have an ISSF seal on the marker tapes must be inspected by the Equipment Control/Shotgun Jury and the necessary seal must be affixed before the competition.

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Cartridge Controls

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 the pellet weight of both cartridges is 24.50 g or less each, no further action will be taken. If the pellet weight of one (1) or both cartridges is more than 24.50g each, then the four (4) cartridges in the second envelope must be also tested. If the average pellet weight of the six (6) cartridges is more than 24.50 g, then the athlete must be disqualified (DSQ), in accordance with Rule 9.4.3.1 (a).

Colored Wads

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

During Finals, all eight (8) finalists will 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 Finals and place them in separate Cartridge Control Boxes on the Finals predesignated reporting area. The Finalists must report at least 15 minutes before the start of the Final.

If an athlete's cartridges or if an athlete does not report on time, then penalties will be imposed as per ISSF Rules. The Equipment Control Jury will take the necessary samples from the boxes, and the boxes will be sealed. The boxes must be left under the supervision of the Equipment Control/Shotgun Jury Member at the reporting area. Once ammunition is placed in the box and sealed, only the Equipment Control/Shotgun Jury or the Finalist can remove ammunition from the box. No additional cartridges are brought to a Finalist during Finals. 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 Finals and will take the lower place, in the finalists ranking.

The same procedures as in the individual events will be followed also for the Mixed Team events.

6. PARTICIPATION AND ENTRY PROCESS

Individual Events

Each ISSF Member Federation can enter a maximum of five (5) athletes in individual events but only three (3) of them can be registered to compete for the medals. The other two (2) can only compete for the Ranking Points (RPO), according to the ISSF General Regulations.

Mixed Team Events

ISSF Member Federations may enter a maximum of two (2) teams consisting of one (1) man and one (1) woman per mixed team event.

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Maximum Entry per event:

Men	max starts	Women	max starts
Trap	114	Trap	54
Skeet	102	Skeet	48
Men/Women Mixed Teams Events		max starts	
Trap Mixed Team		66	
Skeet Mixed Team		66	

7. PRELIMINARY ENTRIES

ISSF Member Federations participating in the World Cup must submit their Preliminary Entries not later than **25 January 2023**. For Preliminary Entries please use the ISSF Online Registration Service <http://entry.issf-sports.info> or exceptionally complete the attached Preliminary Entry Form (Annex 1) and return it to the ISSF Headquarters by fax or email with copy to **the Organizing Committee**: marco.mori@issf-sports.org

8. FINAL ENTRIES

ISSF Member Federations must forward their Final Entries directly to the ISSF HQ. The Final Entry Deadline (30 days before the Official Arrival Day) is **25 FEB 2023**. Please use the ISSF Online Registration Service <http://entry.issf-sports.info> or exceptionally complete the Final Entry Form (Annex 2.1) and return it by email to marco.mori@issf-sports.org or fax to the ISSF Headquarters.

All other forms (*Final Travel Form, Final Hotel Reservation Form, Final Hotel Rooming List, Visa Support Form, Firearms and Ammunition Form, Media Accreditation Form*) must be sent to the Organizing Committee: stavrou@cssf-shooting.org

9. LATE ENTRIES

Late Entries will be allowed to participate only according to the corresponding ISSF rules.

Any additional entries received after the deadline of three (3) days before the official arrival day i.e. **March 22, 2023** will not be taken into consideration.

10. REPLACEMENTS

Replacement of a registered athlete by another already registered athlete in the Championship is permitted. This change can only be made before 12:00 pm (noon), on the day before the pre-event training for that event.

11. ENTRY CONFIRMATION UPON ARRIVAL

All Team Leaders are required to report to the OC Registration Office and confirm their Final Entries. This confirmation must take place before 12:00 on the day before the Pre-Event Training.

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12. CANCELLATIONS

Any Federation that reduces the number of athletes and/or officials after the final entry deadline, is obliged to pay all applicable fees and costs including entry fees according to the number of entries on the Final Entry Forms originally received. If the applicable fees and costs are not paid, no member of that federation may participate.

13. ISSF ID NUMBER

According to the ISSF General Regulations, all athletes must sign an "Athlete's Declaration" and have an official ISSF ID number before participation in any Championship. No athlete without an ISSF ID Number will be allowed to participate.

14. ENTRY FEES & PAYMENTS

The entry fees include all charges for registration, local transportation between the shooting range and the official hotels, doping control and one round per athlete of Pre-Event Training.

<u>Fee</u>	<u>Description</u>
EUR 170	Fee per athlete / per event
EUR 170	Fee per Mixed Team / per event
EUR 50	Fee per Official
EUR 50	Additional Late Entry fee per Athlete / per event
EUR 170	Cancellation Fee per Athlete / per event
EUR 9.00	Pre-event/Unofficial Training Fee per round (Trap or Skeet).

NOTE: All entry Fee Payments must be made to the Organizing Committee.

NO ENTRY FEE PAYMENT TO THE ISSF

Payments of entry fees can be made in cash (EUR) at the Registration Office, at the time of arrival, OR **through bank transfer (at least 10 days before arrival in Cyprus)** to the following bank account:

Name of the Federation	CYPRUS SHOOTING SPORT FEDERATION
Account number (IBAN)	CY92 0020 0109 0000 0005 0050 5200
Bank	Bank of Cyprus Ltd. Latsia Branch – P.O Box 12681, 1599 Latsia – Cyprus
Bank Code (Swift/BIC)	BCYPCY2N

All bank transfers must be made in EUR **and must include any fees the bank may charge**. Please take care that all necessary data are indicated, so that the Organizing Committee can assign payments to the correct federation.

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Please give a copy of the bank transfer slip to your Team Leader to bring it as proof of payment to the Registration Office.

15. VISA TO ENTER CYPRUS

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

Important Note: Cyprus is NOT an active Schengen Visa member. Schengen Visas are acceptable provided 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 in the website of the Cyprus Ministry of Foreign Affairs, www.mfa.gov.cy, at the **"consular information"** and **"travel information for foreign visitors"** subsections.

Custom Formalities, Import of Shotguns

All athletes, NOT holding a 'European Shotgun Certificate' will be requested upon arrival at Larnaka or Paphos airports, to present to customs (Red Channel) the completed official ISSF World Cup Shotgun and Ammunition Form, in order to obtain a temporary shotgun, import permit. No other documentation or certification is necessary prior to arrival.

European Union nationals holding a 'European Shotgun Certificate' will be required also to check their shotguns through customs (Red Channel) where they should simply verify the serial numbers of their shotguns, only.

The shotgun permits or the 'European Shotgun Certificates' must be represented to customs at the time of departure.

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

The use 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 one and a half (1½) months** before arrival in order to obtain a special import permit from the Cyprus Police authorities.

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 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.

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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 firearms 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 your connecting flight.

Still, in case of indirect flights, avoid booking 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 last but not least, 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.

16. ACCOMMODATION AND HOTEL RESERVATION

Official Hotels

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

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HOTEL	LOCATION	GRADING	SINGLE ROOM	DOUBLE ROOM
Lordos Beach Hotel	Larnaca Sea Coast 20 minutes from range	4 star	EUR 144.00	EUR 170.00
The Golden Bay Hotel	Larnaca Sea Coast 20 minutes from range	5 star	EUR 144.00	EUR 170.00
RADISSON BLUE	Near Larnaca Harbor 15 minutes from range	5 star	EUR 162.00	EUR 189.00
SANDY BEACH	Larnaca Sea Coast 20 minutes from range	4 star	EUR 144.00	EUR 170.00
E-HOTEL Spa & Resort	Larnaca Sea Coast 15 minutes from range	4 star	EUR 92.00	EUR 119.00
E-HOTEL Spa & Resort	Larnaca Sea Coast 15 minutes from range	4 star	Sea View EUR 102.00	Sea View EUR 129.00
RADISSON BEACH RESORT	Larnaca Sea Coast 15 minutes from range	4 star	EUR 142.00	EUR 174.00

Payments OR pre-payments (bank transfers) for accommodation have to be made directly to the Hotels. The Hotels, **through the Organizing Committee**, 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 the **15th of March 2023** will be liable to cancellation fees as per policy of the selected hotel.

All hotel reservations must be made through the Organizing Committee:

Cyprus Shooting Sport Federation
21, Amfipoleos str. – 2025 Nicosia – Cyprus
Phone: +357-22-449822
Fax: +357-22-449819
E-mail: stavrou@cssf-shooting.org

Please use the Final Hotel Reservation Form (Annex 3.1) and make reservations not later than **25 FEB 2023**. The Federations are kindly requested to submit also the Preliminary Hotel Reservation Form (Annex 3.2) not later than the **25 JANUARY 2023**. Federations submitting a Preliminary Hotel reservation will have priority in the hotel bookings.

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17. TRANSPORTATION

Travel – Arrival

The official airports of arrival are **Larnaca (LCA) & Paphos (PHO) International Airports 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, 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).

The driving time from Larnaca International Airport to Larnaca hotels, is approximately – 20 minutes

The driving time from Paphos International Airport to Larnaca hotels, is approximately - 100 minutes.

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

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 (completed official Final Travel Forms – Annexes 7 & 8).

The transportation fee **from Larnaca International** airport to the official hotels is **EUR 30** per person (round trip).

The transportation fee from Paphos International Airport to the official hotels is **EUR 100** per person (round trip).

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 range and at the official hotels. The Shuttle Service will start **on 25 MAR 2023**.

18. SHOTGUNS & AMMUNITION

Storage of Shotguns

Very limited storage of shotguns will be available at the Shooting Range. The police authorities permit all visitors possessing a valid temporary import shotgun permit or a 'European Shotgun Certificate', to store freely their shotguns 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, B&P and others) will be available for sale at the shooting range at around EUR 8.00 to EUR 14.00 per box of 25.

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19. ACCREDITATION

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

Accreditations (for delegation members registered before the Late Entry Deadline and with photograph in the ISSF database) will be prepared by the ISSF Headquarters and the Organizing Committee. All other accreditations will be prepared by the ISSF World Cup Accreditation Office, at the range.

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

20. DOPING CONTROL

Doping tests as required by the ISSF Rules and Regulations will be performed in all events at the shooting range, under the supervision of the Technical Delegate.

21. FIRST AID – MEDICAL SUPPORT

First aid and medical support will be provided at the Shooting Range next to the Doping Control room.

22. CEREMONIES

The opening ceremony will be held on **March 26, 2023**. Details will be published at a later stage. There will be no closing ceremony.

The awarding ceremonies will take place daily immediately after the finals at the predesignated awarding ceremony area.

23. NATIONAL ANTHEMS AND FLAGS

The Organizing Committee does not need flags and anthems from the delegations.

24. EXHIBITIONS

An exhibition area for a limited number of shotgun and equipment manufacturers with gunsmith services will be provided at the shooting range.

25. MEDIA CENTER

All Media representatives must register for the ISSF World Cup by using the Media Accreditation Form (Annex 9). On site media facilities will be available for accredited media personnel. The event will be covered by local and national media.

26. SUMMARY OF DEADLINES

The Summary of Deadlines is attached to this General Information.



Forms	Description	Deadline	Send to
	Official Invitation	-	-
Annex 1	Preliminary Entry Form Athletes Individual	25 Jan 2023	ISSF
Annex 2.1	Final Entry Form Athletes Individual	25 Feb 2023	ISSF
Annex 2.2	Final Entry Form Athletes Mixed Team	25 Feb 2023	ISSF
Annex 3	Final Entry Form Officials	25 Feb 2023	ISSF
Annex 3.1	Preliminary Hotel Form	25 Jan 2023	Organizing Committee
Annex 3.2	Final Hotel Reservation Form	25 Feb 2023	Organizing Committee
Annex 4.a	Final Travel Form - Arrival	25 Feb 2023	Organizing Committee
Annex 4.b	Final Travel Form - Departure	25 Feb 2023	Organizing Committee
Annex 6	Final Rooming List	25 Feb 2023	Organizing Committee
Annex 7	Visa Support Form	25 Feb 2023	Organizing Committee
Annex 8	Firearm and Ammunition Form	25 Feb 2023	Organizing Committee
Annex 9	Media Accreditation Form	25 Feb 2023	Organizing Committee

27. CONTACT INFORMATION

Contact	E-mail	Telephone
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28. ISSF TECHNICAL DELEGATE

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