



**THE
BRITISH INTERNATIONAL
CLAY TARGET SHOOTING
FEDERATION**

*Affiliated to the International
Shooting Sports Federation (ISSF) and
the Federation Internationale de Tir
aux Armes Sportives de Chasse
(FITASC)*



SELECTION PROCEDURE for UNIVERSAL TRENCH 2010

PREAMBLE - FITASC Events

FITASC Championships are 'open' events. Individuals can enter via FITASC, Paris by clicking <http://www.fitasc.com>
Teams are constituted via the selection procedure shown below and are entered through the BICTSF.
World & European Championship teams - 3 Men, 3 Women, 3 Juniors, 3 Veterans and 3 Super Veterans.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Selection for the Universal Trench discipline (UTR) will use a rolling ranking system. The Board decides on the venues for selection shoots, which includes the opportunity for all Home Countries to host selection shoots.

2.0 QUALIFYING EVENTS

Shooters who represent Great Britain (GBR) in international competitions will be selected by the following system for UTR events: the system is based on a series of selection shoots, all candidates shooting under the same conditions and in direct competition with each other.

There are a number of selection shoots nominated by BICTSF each year. These events are administered and controlled by the Federation.

3.0 RANKINGS

To determine the ranking positions the best 3 ex 4 scores are counted from the last four selection shoots, and this is done on a rolling basis year on year.

3.1 The final THREE selection shoots from 2009 will be carried forward into 2010 and will be included with the FIRST selection shoot of 2010. When the SECOND selection shoot in 2010 has been completed only the final TWO selection shoots from 2009 will be counted and so on.

Certain events are nominated as cut-offs for team selection to enable the necessary team administration to be undertaken. The events to determine team selection for the European Championships will be the final TWO selection shoots from 2009 and the first TWO from 2010, best 3 ex 4 scores to count. The events to determine team selection for the World Championships will be the FINAL selection shoot from 2009 and the first THREE from 2010, best 3 ex 4 scores to count.

The ranking lists will be posted on the BICTSF website <http://www.bictsf.com>

3.2 BICTSF will determine the number of selection shoots for each event, when possible, before 1st January annually or as soon as possible thereafter.

4.0 SELECTION

4.1 It is Federation's policy to promote a performance based selection procedure.

4.2 GBR team members for each UTR event will be selected from the ranking list after the cut-off event taking into account the following criteria:

4.3.1 Order in ranking list

4.3.2 Disciplinary record of the shooter

4.3.2 Anti-Doping record of the shooter

4.3.4 Not be indebted to BICTSF

5.0 SELF FUNDING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

5.1 A self funding shooter will be responsible for paying their costs which will include, but not be limited to: visas, entry fee, ammunition, training rounds, flights, accommodation and transportation between airport/hotel and hotel/shooting range etc.

5.2 A cheque signifying acceptance of these terms and conditions for the full amount must be sent to the BICTSF by return of post to be received no later than the specified deadline date. Failure to do so, for whatever reason, will result in their not being entered in the competition. All costs incurred by the BICTSF on their behalf or personally will be entirely at the expense of and charged to the shooter.

5.3 Leave to carry ammunition to be granted on a case by case basis. If leave is not granted, the self funding shooter is advised and is responsible to either budget for the purchase of ammunition upon arrival at the event and/or arranges with their preferred supplier to have it delivered direct to the competition venue at their expense.

5.4 Should a UTR shooter, after confirmation to BICTSF of their attendance at an event, decide to withdraw for whatever reason then they shall be liable to BICTSF for any and all expenditure incurred for and on their behalf by BICTSF.

5.5 It must be noted that BICTSF have a policy of exclusion from events held under their auspices for individuals who are indebted to the BICTSF, for whatever reason, until the debt is cleared. Such a shooter will not be eligible for consideration for selection for future international competitions until the account is settled in full.

5.6 All GBR team members will be required to sign and adhere to a current BICTSF Athlete's Agreement by a deadline date. Failure to do so (there will be no exceptions) will mean they will not be included in the team or considered for international competitions in the following year. THE Athlete's Agreement must be returned to BICTSF prior to the deadline date. Failure to do so, for whatever reason, will result in their withdrawal from the competition; they shall be liable to BICTSF for any and all expenditure incurred for and on their behalf by BICTSF and personally for all other expenditure.

5.7 All competitors are reminded of the BICTSF rules that apply to all team members on the ranges (competition venue) throughout the duration of competition, training and travelling whether competing or not.

6.0 DEFINITION OF JUNIOR, VETERAN and SUPER-VETERAN COMPETITORS

A Junior, Senior or Veteran moves into the next age related category on 1st January following their 20th, 55th or 65th birthday. In order not to penalise them for team selection purposes, their scores will be carried forward from the previous year and will have the ranking points recalculated in their new category.

7.0 APPEAL PROCESS CONCERNING NON SELECTION

Any shooter eligible under these rules and complying with the conditions set out above may appeal personally in respect of themselves, only on the following grounds:

7.1 That the selection has not been conducted according to the procedures laid down above.

7.2 That a shooter who has been selected does not meet the eligibility rules on the grounds of either nationality or membership of a Home Country Clay Pigeon Association and has no membership number.

8.0 DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Any shooter who is non compliant with anti doping rules or is or has been subject to disciplinary procedure that has not expired by a Home Country Clay Pigeon Association will not be funded by BICTSF.

9.0 DOPE TESTING

The National Anti Doping Organisation (NADO) may carry out random dope testing at any event without prior notice to BICTSF. Competitors selected by the NADO doping control staff to take part in a dope test are urged to comply with their instructions. Penalties for failure to comply with instruction or the discovery of a prohibited substance in a test sample can result in severe penalties. Competitors should familiarise themselves thoroughly with the information provided on UK Sport's Drug Information Database on their website <http://www.ukad.org.uk/> and www.bictsf.com for their policy that applies to BICTSF activities. Juniors (U21) must also have a parent's signature included in their entry form, to permit U21s who have been selected by UK Sport's doping control staff to take part in a dope test. It is the competitor's PERSONAL responsibility for ensuring compliance with the regulations regarding any and all medications, treatments and supplements, either purchased over the counter or prescribed by a medical practitioner.

10.0 DISCLAIMER

The Federation reserves the right to step outside this system.

INTERPRETATION

The Federation shall have the power to interpret these rules should there be any ambiguity or difference of opinion concerning the application of the rules.