

Official Rules, Regulations, and Policies

Arizona State Trapshooting Association

Effective November 15, 2023

ASTA Rules, Regulations, and Policies

The Official Rules, Regulations, and Policies of the Arizona State Trapshooting may be amended or changed from time to time by the Board of Directors as deemed necessary for the good of the ASTA. Throughout these Rules as used herein, the Arizona State Trapshooting Association shall be referred to as "the ASTA, the Amateur Trapshooting Association shall be referred to as "the ATA."

Changes to these Rules & Regulations will be published on the ASTA website.

STATE ZONES

The State is currently divided into three (3) Zones by County:

Northern Zone Central Zone Southern Zone

Apache Maricopa Cochise
Coconino Pinal Graham
Gila Greenlee
La Paz Pima
Mohave Santa Cruz
Navajo Yuma
Yavapai

ASTA MEMBERSHIP

The ASTA membership year runs concurrent with the ATA target year. All residents must be members of the ASTA and the ATA prior to shooting registered targets in the state. Membership Dues are as follows:

Annual Member \$ 2.00 Life Member \$25.00 Non-Resident Associate Life Member \$25.00

ASTA Memberships, Annual or Life, may be purchased at any club hosting registered shoots or through the ASTA Secretary. The current membership sticker is to be placed on your ATA plastic membership card. Life Member Cards and Stickers are mailed from the office of the ASTA Secretary, however, they can be purchased at any club hosting registered tournaments in the state.

ASTA DAILY FEES

Registered tournaments	\$3.00*
Big 50 shoots	\$1.50*

The Club holding a registered tournament shall be responsible for the collection of such fees, and shall remit such fees to the Treasurer of the <u>ASTA within eight calendar days following the last day of the tournament.</u> Failure of a Club to submit fees due the ASTA are subject to cancellation of registration privileges.

- * Daily fees are subject to change at the discretion of ASTA Board of Directors.
- * Big 50 daily fees are one half of the amount of regular registered targets.

ASTA BOARD OF DIRECTOR REQUIRMENTS

Three (3) Directors from each Zone serve on the Board of Directors. Zone Members elect one (1) Director from their respective Zone during the Annual Meeting of the Members to serve a three (3) year term. If a Zone does not have an eligible candidate, that Zone may nominate a member at large. The County in which the member resides determines a members Zone residency.

Board of Director Candidates must be Life Members of the ASTA, have registered a minimum of 1,500 total targets in the target year preceding the year of the Annual Meeting of the Members and have registered trap targets at a minimum of three (3) clubs within the State of Arizona.

Seated Directors must register a minimum of 1,500 total targets in the target year preceding the year of the Annual Meeting of the Members.

STATE TEAM TARGET REQUIREMENTS

State Team	Singles	Handicap	Doubles
Men	2,000	2,000	1,000
Sub-Veteran	2,000	2,000	1,000
Veteran	1,500	1,000	500
Sr. Veteran	1,500	1,000	500
Women	1,500	1,000	500
Sub-Junior	500	300	200
Junior	500	300	200

STATE TEAM CANDIDATE REQUIREMENTS – <u>Effective</u> November 15, 2023 for future ASTA/ATA target years.

- Arizona resident shooters meeting the specified minimum target requirements are eligible for State Team consideration.
- Candidates must shoot the three All-Around Arizona State Shoot Championship Events (400 targets) in the year under consideration.
- Must shoot a minimum of <u>three</u> different Arizona clubs.
 Note: The Arizona State Shoot qualifies as a separate club. <u>Example</u>: A person could shoot both a regular ATA registered event and the State Shoot at the same club

- hosting the State Shoot that year and it will count as two clubs.
- 4. Your designated category will be your status on the last day of the ATA target year for which you apply.

Shooters meeting the requirements above are eligible for State Team consideration. Once these requirements are met, shooters with the <u>highest composite averages</u>, based on the registered targets shot during the preceding ATA target year, are selected for placement on the various teams. (The composite average is calculated by adding the singles, handicap, and doubles averages and dividing the total by 3). Awards are presented during the Annual State Shoot.

The Teams and number of members shall be:

*Men - 5, Sub Veteran - 5, Veteran - 5, Senior Veteran - 5, Women - 5, Sub Junior - 5, Junior - 5.

*Junior Gold shooters are included in the Men's category.

<u>Note:</u> Age-based Category shooters <u>are not</u> eligible for placement on the Men's team. Female, Sub Junior and Junior shooters are <u>only</u> eligible for placement on the respective Female, Sub Junior and Junior Teams.

Shooters who become eligible for new age-based categories during the target year may elect to continue to compete in the previous category for the remainder of that target year. (For example, a shooter reaching age 70 may elect to continue to shoot as a Veteran for the remaining target year.) However, once a shooter has elected to move in the new category that decision is irrevocable, and he/she may not again declare eligibility for the previous category. Junior shooters reaching the age of 18 may continue to declare Junior category for the remainder of the current target year.

Please refer to ATA Rule Book Section IV.K Special Categories 1-10, for age-based guidelines and Section X.A. for Residency Requirements.

OTHER RECOGNITION

- Highest Singles Average
- Highest Handicap Average
- Highest Doubles Average
- Most targets registered in the preceding target year

(To be eligible for high average awards, a shooter must register the minimum targets required for the respective discipline per the Mens state team minimum requirements and have the highest average in the State)

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR (Delegates Award)

To qualify for the Rookie of the Year Award, a shooter must have joined the ATA for the very first time during the current target year, be a member in good standing of the ASTA and have registered a minimum of **500** Singles, **300 Handicap and 200 Doubles** in the preceding target year.

The ASTA will donate an ASTA Life Membership to the Rookie of the Year recipient.

GRAND AMERICAN CHAMPIONS OF CHAMPIONS

The ASTA will award \$200 to each eligible Arizona Champion who competes in the Champions of Champions event at the Grand American World Championships. The State Delegate (or his/her designee) will verify the shooters participation. This event is a separate event open only to the State Singles Champion or Runner-up in his/her absence and each State Category Singles Champion or Runner-up in his/her absence. (Further details regarding this event are published in the Grand American Program).

DELEGATE STIPEND

The Delegate shall receive a stipend of up to \$2,000.00 to attend the Annual ATA Board of Directors Meeting, Western Zone Meeting, any other required meetings and to perform duties assigned to the Delegates during the Grand American Championships.

FUNDS

Operating Fund #2

The Treasurer shall maintain a separate Operating Fund for Reserves and may transfer an amount not to exceed ten percent (10%) of the ASTA Net Fiscal Income into the Fund each year.

Note: The ASTA, as a Non-Profit Corporation, must adhere to the concepts of Private Inurement and Private Benefits in order to maintain their tax exempt status. Therefore, the ASTA is not in a position to provide any loans or grants to any individual, club or other organization now or in the future.

ASTA HALL OF FAME

Requirements and Criteria:

Candidates must be or have been a resident of the State of Arizona and a member of the ASTA and the ATA for a minimum of ten (10) years.

Any individual who no longer resides in the State of Arizona but has met the above requirements may be nominated.

Categories—Can be nominated for one or both:

- Shooting Excellence
- Contributions to the Sport of Trapshooting

Shooting Excellence

Candidates nominated for shooting excellence must have demonstrated an exemplary record of proficiency and achievement in the sport of trapshooting <u>over a period of years</u>. Candidates shall have won a minimum of **six (6)** Major ATA Championship trophies in either the Singles, Handicap, Doubles, and High All Around events, or any combination thereof. Qualifying shoots are the Arizona State Shoot, the Western Zone Championships, any Satellite Grand, and any trophy won at the Grand American Championships. ATA Category Championships in like events shall be considered major titles. Other accomplishments such as State Team Placement, All American Placement, major Non-Resident Championship wins, and other outstanding achievements in trapshooting shall be recognized.

Contributions to the Sport of Trapshooting

Candidate's nominated for contributions or service, must have exhibited outstanding and unselfish voluntary service to the sport of trapshooting within the State of Arizona over a minimum period of ten (10) years. Outstanding service on behalf of the shooters of Arizona such as an ASTA board member or other voluntary non-salaried administrative positions are considered eligible qualifications.

The Hall of Fame Committee oversees candidate selections along with the Board of Directors; however, any ASTA member may nominate a candidate by completing the Hall of Fame Nomination form in complete detail and submitting it to the Association Secretary. The Hall of Fame Committee and the Board of Directors shall have sole authority to approve or reject a nomination. The Nomination Form can be located on the ASTA web site www.aztraps.com in addition to other details.

These Official Rules, Regulations and Policies of the Arizona State Trapshooting Association were amended and ratified by the Board of Directors on November 15, 2023

Certified by: Jesse Zamora – ASTA Secretary

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