SKEET
MIXED TEAM EVENT

Description of the format and of the competition rules

1. GENERAL

   a) Mixed Teams consist of two team members, one male and one female from the same nation. Both Mixed Team members should wear the same competition clothing with national colours and identification.

   b) In one Championship, nations may enter a maximum of two (2) Mixed Teams in one Mixed Team event, as per ISSF General Regulations.

   c) Mixed Team members may be changed for other athletes already registered in the Championship not later than 12:00 hours on the second day of the individual competition before the day of the Mixed Team competition.

   d) The Mixed Team event consists of two stages: Qualification and Final.

2. QUALIFICATION

   a) The Qualification will be conducted according to the Competition Procedures and Rulings as specified in the current ISSF Shotgun rules for Skeet (section 9.10) unless otherwise specified in these rules.

   b) Team squadding will be done by a random draw. The two members of each Mixed Team must be squadded to fire next to each other in the same squad, with the male firing first and the female second. Teams from the same nation shall not be in the same squad. Athletes will wear the same Bib numbers as those worn in the individual competition.

   c) Each member of the Mixed Team will shoot 75 targets, in 3 rounds of 25 targets each – (3 rounds X 25 targets = 75 targets X 2 athletes = Total 150 targets for each team).

   d) After the end of the Qualification, the ranking of the Mixed Teams will be decided by the combined results of the 2 members of each Mixed Team (1 male & 1 female) 75 X 2 = 150 (as per ISSF Shotgun Rules 9.14.5.2 & 9.15.3).

   e) The six (6) highest-ranking Mixed Teams after qualification and any eventual shoot offs will qualify for the Final (Medal Matches).
f) Any ties for places 1 to 6 will be decided by a shoot off on station 4 only, as specified in section 3 of these Rules.

g) After the Qualification stage and any eventual shoot offs, new Bib numbers (1₁-1₂, 2₁-2₂, 3₁-3₂, 4₁-4₂, 5₁-5₂ and 6₁-6₂) will be distributed to the top 6 qualified Mixed Teams.

h) The ranking of tied Mixed Teams in 7th place or below not decided by a shoot off will be established on the basis of the ISSF Shotgun Rules 9.14.5.2 & 9.15.3.

3. PROCEDURE DURING SHOOT OFFS AFTER QUALIFICATION

a) The starting positions in the shoot offs of tied Mixed Teams after the qualification will be decided by the Qualification Ranking (highest ranking Mixed Team to shoot first, followed by the lower ranked team(s)).

b) The starting positions in the shoot offs, of teams with perfect ties or ties that cannot be broken by the count back rule will be decided by draw.

c) Before the shoot offs, athletes will observe the targets (one normal and one reverse double) and test fire.

d) Each Mixed Team Coach/Team Official must designate which team member (male or female) will shoot first and which team member will shoot second. The order of shooting between the two members of each team (as decided by the Coach/Team Official) must remain the same throughout the shoot off.

e) The shoot off will be conducted only on station 4.

f) The athletes of the highest-ranking Mixed Team in the order designated by the Coach/Team Official must line up behind the station. The athlete designated to shoot first (male or female) must shoot at a regular double followed by the second member of the team who will also shoot at a regular double. The athletes of the other Mixed Team(s) must then do likewise and each shoot at a normal double in their designated order. The Mixed Team(s) with the lower number of hits, out of the 4 shots (2+2=4), will be eliminated and will take the lower place.

g) If the tie(s) is(are) not broken, the same procedure will continue on the same station in the same order but with reverse doubles. The athletes (who will shoot first and who will shoot second) will remain the same throughout the shoot off, as per d) above.

h) If still the tie(s) is(are) not broken, then the shoot off will continue on the same station, with the same sequence (shooting first at normal and then at reverse doubles) with the higher ranked Mixed Team shooting first followed by the other Mixed Team(s), until the tie(s) is(are) broken.

i) The preparation time limit is 15 seconds monitored by an electronic timer managed by a Referee selected from among the appointed Referees.
j) In case of several shoot offs, the **lower position** shoot offs will be shot first.

4. **FINAL**

   a) The Final consists of three (3) Medal Matches. The Gold/Silver Medal Match and two (2) Bronze Medal Matches as follows:

   b) **Gold/Silver Medal Match:**
      Composed of the Mixed Teams in positions 1 & 2 after qualification or any eventual shoot offs.

   c) **Bronze Medal Match 1:**
      Composed of the Mixed Teams in positions 4 & 5 after qualification or any eventual shoot offs.

   d) **Bronze Medal Match 2:**
      Composed of the Mixed Teams in positions 3 & 6 after qualification or any eventual shoot offs.

   e) Bronze Medal Match 1 will be shot first followed by Bronze Medal Match 2 and then the Gold/Silver Medal Match.

   e) Number of Medals to be awarded: Four (4).
      Gold (1st place), Silver (2nd place) and two (2) Bronze Medals (two 3rd places), no 4th place will be shown on the final ranking list.

   f) The rankings of 5th & 6th places of the Mixed Teams eliminated from the two Bronze Medal Matches, will be decided by their number of points in the Matches. In case of equal number of points then their places will be decided by the Qualification ranking.

   g) The Final (Medal Matches) must be conducted on the Finals Range.

5. **COMPETITION FORMAT**

   a) The starting positions in the Medal Matches are decided by the Bib number of each Mixed Team on the basis of their qualification ranking and any eventual shoot offs after qualification (lowest bib number to start first).

   b) Before the Medal Matches, athletes will be allowed to test fire only. There will be no showing of targets, as this will be conducted during the presentation of all the qualified Mixed Teams in the Final.

   c) The preparation time limit, on each station is 30 seconds (monitored by an electronic timer managed by a Referee selected from among the appointed Referees, (as per ISSF rules).

   d) The 2 Mixed Teams (4 athletes) will start from 0 and compete on stations 3, 4, 5, 3 & 4 until the winners are decided as follows:
e) The Mixed Team with the lower Bib number will start first, from station 3 followed by the second Mixed Team. The two athletes from each Mixed Team will each shoot, in Bib number order, 2 doubles (1 normal and 1 reverse double), 4 shots (8 shots per Mixed Team).

f) After each station, the Mixed Team with the highest result after the 4+4=8 shots, will receive 2 points. The team with the lowest result will receive 0 points. In case of equal result each Mixed Team will receive 1 point.

g) The shooting sequence (which team will shoot first) will alternate between the two Mixed Teams, after each station (i.e., on station 4 the 2nd team will shoot first followed by the 1st team. On station 5 the 1st team will shoot first followed by the 2nd team and so on).

h) The points of each station will be carried forward to the next station.

i) The scores (number of hit targets), however, of each station will not be carried forward to the next station. The scores of each station will start from zero.

j) This process will continue in sequence on stations 3,4,5,3 and 4 (5 stations) and the Mixed Team to win first 6 points will be the winner.

k) If the shooting sequence is completed on all 5 stations and there is a tied score of 5:5, then the winning Mixed team will be decided by a shoot off, as per procedures specified in section 6 below.

l) There will be no target observation or test fire before the shoot offs after Medal Matches.

6. PROCEDURE DURING SHOOT OFFS AFTER THE MEDAL MATCHES

a) The starting positions in the shoot off after a Medal Match will be decided by the Bib number of each team. The lower Bib number team will shoot first followed by the second team.

b) The athletes of each Mixed Team will shoot in Bib number order, one behind the other. This order of shooting between the two members of each team must remain the same throughout the shoot off.

c) The shoot off will be conducted on stations 3, 4, 5.

d) The athletes of the Mixed Team with the lower Bib number must line up behind station 3 and each shoot at a normal double in Bib number order. Then likewise the athletes of the second Team will each shoot at a normal double in Bib number order. The Team with the higher number of hits out of the 4 shots (2+2=4) will be the winner. If the tie is not broken the same sequence must continue on the same station but with reverse doubles.

e) If the tie is not broken on station 3, the same procedure will continue in the same order and sequence on station 4 (then 5, 4, 3 and so on) with the members of each Team shooting first at normal and then at reverse
doubles until the tie is broken.

f) The preparation time limit is 15 seconds monitored by an electronic timer managed by a Referee selected from among the appointed Referees.

7. **GOLDEN HIT**

In case, at the last stage (last series) of the Medal Matches, the winning team of the Match can be clearly established mathematically from the total number of targets already shot by the members of the teams, before the total number of targets of the Match are completed, then the Match will be stopped by the Jury Member in Charge and 'Golden Hit' will be declared.

8. **COACHING TIMEOUT**

In the Final (Medal Matches), while shooting is in progress, Coaches/Team Officials, without disturbing the athletes, may request from the Jury Member in Charge, one (1) Coaching Timeout for a maximum duration of one (1) minute. The Jury Member in Charge will then, at the turn of that team’s athlete(s) to fire, without disturbing the shooting procedure decide when to stop shooting and allow the Coach/Team Official to approach and speak to his/her athletes, on the shooting station. The other Coach/Team Official may, during this time, also approach and speak to his/her athletes without losing the opportunity for a timeout. The Jury Member in charge must control the time.

9. **REPORTING TIMES AND CARTRIDGE CONTROL**

a) The members of the six (6) qualified Mixed Teams in the Final or their representatives (Coaches or Team Officials) must report to the Finals Range for cartridge control (at the designated area), at least **30 minutes** before the scheduled Start Time of the Final (Bronze Medal Match 1). At this time the Jury will distribute the Bib numbers to all the athletes of the six (6) qualified Mixed Teams.

b) The Equipment Control Jury will instruct the members of each Mixed Team or their representatives (Coaches or Team Officials) to place all of their cartridges in numbered boxes (corresponding to their Bib numbers). The Equipment Control Jury will select cartridges to be checked and seal the boxes in the presence of the Team members or Coach/Team Official and conduct equipment inspections. Cartridge checks must be completed before the presentations.

c) The members of the Qualified Mixed Teams must present themselves to the Finals Range, **15 minutes**, before the start of the Final (Bronze Medal Match 1), for preliminaries and presentation

d) No additional cartridges may be brought to the FOP.

e) A one (1) point penalty will be deducted from the score of the first hit target of the first athlete, if any of the Mixed Team’s cartridges are not presented for cartridge control 30 minutes before the start of the Final (BMM 1) or if
either of the team members does not report 15 minutes before the start of the Final (BMM 1). Any team that does not report at the time of the Presentations will not be allowed to take part in the Match and will be awarded the 6th place (if in one of the BMMs) or the 2nd place (if in the GMM).

10. TARGET OBSERVATION – PRESENTATION – TEST FIRE

a) After reporting at the range, the athletes of the Qualified Mixed Teams of Bronze Medal Match 1 will be allowed to take their cartridges from the boxes (the athletes of the Bronze Medal Match 2 and the Gold Medal Match will not be allowed at this stage to take their cartridges). Then, all six (6) Qualified Mixed Teams will be asked to go to the shooting stations for aiming exercises and target observation only (no test fire).

b) All the members of the Qualified Mixed Teams will be allowed to observe the targets: One normal and one reverse double from station 3.

c) After aiming exercises and target observation, the Qualified Teams of the Gold Medal Match will be asked to be seated at the designated area. The athletes of the Qualified Teams of the two Bronze Medal Matches together with their Coaches or Team Officials will assemble in a designated area to the side of the range, to await being called for presentation. The teams will line up in Bib number order. The Qualified Teams in positions 4 & 5 (Bronze Medal Match 1) will be presented first followed by the teams in position 3 & 6 (Bronze Medal Match 2). Each Team will enter the field of play (female athlete first- male athlete second) followed by the Coach/Team Official and the announcer will introduce them to the spectators. The Teams must remain facing the spectators until all have been presented, including the Jury Member in Charge and the appointed Referee who must be positioned in the middle of the two teams.

d) The Mixed Teams, will line up, in Bib number order, in the following order: Female athlete – Male athlete – Coach/Team Official.

e) The Jury member in Charge must make sure, that the Teams are assembled in the correct order.

f) After presentation, the finalists of Bronze Medal Match 2, will be seated at the designated area and the finalists of Bronze Medal Match 1, will take their shooting positions and test fire after which the Match will begin.

g) The Medal Matches will be conducted in the order specified in 4e).

h) After completion of the Bronze Medal Match 1, the Qualified Teams of the Bronze Medal Match 2 will be allowed to take the cartridges from their boxes and go to their positions and allowed to test fire. There will be no presentation. After test fire the Bronze Medal Match 2 will begin.

i) It should be noted that after completion of the Bronze Medal Match 2 and before the Gold Medal Match takes place the finalists, their Coaches or
Team Officials, the Jury member in Charge and the appointed Referee will be presented in the way specified in d) above. Before presentation the athletes will be allowed to take the cartridges from their boxes. After presentation the athletes will take their shooting positions and test fire after which the Match will begin.

j) At the end of the Final the Gold, Silver and Bronze Medallists are assembled by the Jury Member in Charge, on the field of play for official photographs and announcements

11. MUSIC & AUDIENCE SUPPORT

During the Final, music must be played. The Technical Delegate should approve the music selected. Enthusiastic audience support is encouraged and is recommended during the matches.

12. MALFUNCTIONS DURING FINAL

a) If the Referee decides that a disabled shotgun, or the malfunctioning of the shotgun or ammunition, is not the fault of the athlete, the athlete must be given not more than three (3) minutes in which to repair the shotgun or obtain another approved shotgun, or replace his ammunition. If this cannot be done within three (3) minutes, the athlete (Mixed Team) must withdraw. After the malfunction is corrected, the Final must continue.

b) If a withdrawal of a team occurs during a Medal Match the remaining Mixed Team must be declared as the winner.

c) A Mixed Team is allowed a maximum of two (2) malfunctions during a Final, including any shoot offs, whether or not there was an attempt to correct the malfunction.

d) Any regular target(s) on which any further malfunction occurs will be declared “LOST” whether or not the athlete attempted to fire.

13. PROTESTS DURING FINAL

a) If an athlete disagrees with a Referee’s decision regarding “HIT,” “LOST,” “NO TARGET” or “IRREGULAR” target(s), the athlete must act immediately before the next athlete fires, by raising an arm and saying “PROTEST.”

b) The Referee must then temporarily interrupt the shooting and after hearing the opinions of the Assistant Referees, make his decision. No protest will be accepted after the next athlete fires.

c) Any other protest by the athlete or coach will be decided by the Finals Protest Jury immediately. The decision of the Finals Protest Jury is final and cannot be appealed.
d) If a protest for any matter other than Referee decisions on “HIT,” “LOST,” “NO TARGET” or “IRREGULAR” targets, is lost, a penalty of two (2) points must apply to the last two (2) “HIT” targets, of the athlete (Mixed Team).

e) During the Medal Matches, the current ISSF VAR Rules (9.18.8) will be followed.

14. COLOUR OF TARGETS

Qualification Stage: Normal targets
Final Stage: Flash targets

15. IRREGULAR OR DISPUTED CASES

a) ISSF General Technical Rules will apply to matters not mentioned in the above paragraphs.

b) Irregular or disputed matters will be decided by the Jury according to the General Technical Rules or other relevant ISSF Rule for each event.