

THE VIRGINIA SKEET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

The VIRGINIA SKEET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION has over 300 active members that participate regularly in competitive skeet shooting throughout the state and nationally. VASKEET.ORG will attempt to give you an overview of the functions and activities of your Association. Should you have any questions regarding the Association, please do not hesitate to ask your local skeet club contact person found listed in the "Contact Us" link or contact a state officer, also listed there. They will be happy to talk with you about all things relating to our sport, association and local clubs.

PURPOSE

The VIRGINIA SKEET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION has been organized to promote the sport of skeet shooting in the state. This is accomplished through organization, service to our membership, and oversight of the competitive shooting activities of each participating club. The Association provides the following services for its membership:

1. Provides shooters the opportunity to compete in skeet tournaments. These tournaments or shoots are conducted using the NSSA rules for shooting with some changes that are normally given in the shoot program provided by the shoot management. Competitive shoots in Virginia are normally registered with NSSA with the exception of fun shoots. Only targets registered with NSSA will be considered in determining State Teams.
2. On VASKEET.ORG, you will be advised of the activities of the Association and individual club functions as well as any pertinent information regarding the National or State organization.
3. You will be provided a shoot schedule that will give you the location of all of the registered shoots to be held during a given shoot year. The calendar year for skeet shooting begins on January 1 and ends on December 31. We follow the same calendar year as NSSA.
4. You will be furnished with a newsletter and minutes of the General Membership meeting on VASKEET.ORG as soon as they are available. Event scores will be published when received from the shoot management.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Board of Directors maintains the oversight of the Association. There are regularly scheduled meetings each year with one meeting of the general membership and one meeting of the board held at the State Shoot each year and a Board meeting held the second Sunday in November. We urge you to take this opportunity to meet your

individual directors and have a part in the direction your Association takes. Each year State Teams are selected following the NSSA criteria. These teams are selected based on their shooting ability. There are two open teams, the first and second team, consisting of a Captain and four team members. These are the shooters in the State that have the highest averages over all. There are other State Teams such as the Juniors, Ladies, Seniors, etc. and are defined in the NSSA rule book. These teams are called Concurrent Teams meaning that the events are shot concurrent with the other events at a registered shoot. A person is only eligible for one team in any given year.

The Association provides a Chief Referee for the State. He is responsible for the training of the referees and testing as well as for scheduling the referees requested by the clubs for their shoots. The VSSA Referees are among the best referees available in skeet shooting and we should count ourselves fortunate to have them. If you are interested and willing to participate in this service, please contact our chief referee listed on the Contact Us page of this website. You are needed! VSSA is responsible for hosting the annual State Championships. The Board determines each year during the annual meeting held at the State Shoot where the shoot will be held the following year.

IN SUMMARY

We hope that the information provided has helped you to understand VSSA and what it does. If you have any questions regarding the Association and/or VASKEET.ORG, we are ready to listen and respond as quickly as possible. Please send us any and all suggestions you may have for making both meet your needs.

Good luck and good shooting!

VIRGINIA

SKEET SHOOTING ASSOCIATION

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ARTICLE I. NAME AND OBJECTIVES

The association name is the Virginia Skeet Shooting Association (VSSA) and has the following objectives:

- A. To support the National Skeet Shooting Association (NSSA);
- B. To promote skeet shooting in Virginia;
- C. To encourage and assist the organization of skeet clubs in Virginia;
- D. To coordinate the annual schedule of registered skeet shoots in Virginia;
- E. To coordinate and conduct the annual Virginia State Skeet Shooting Championships (State Shoot); and
- F. To select the Virginia All-State Skeet Teams (State Teams).
- G. To carry out any and all activities in the furtherance of these objectives, either directly or as agent, which may be lawful and not inconsistent with the purposes stated in the Articles of Incorporation and these By-laws, or any other limitations as are prescribed by law and provided that no activity shall be undertaken which is not permitted for a corporation which is exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code as presently in effect or as amended, and that the VSSA shall not attempt to influence legislation, nor intervene in or participate in, any political campaign, and provided further that no part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private individual, Director or Officer of the VSSA.

ARTICLE II. MEMBERSHIP

A. Individuals. Individual membership in VSSA is extended to all Virginia residents, including military personnel on permanent assignment in Virginia, who are members of NSSA in good standing.

B. Clubs. Club membership in VSSA is extended to all regularly organized skeet clubs situated in Virginia that are members of NSSA in good standing. Clubs are required to schedule at least one registered shoot each year in order to maintain membership in VSSA. For the purposes of VSSA Club membership, Open, Closed and Other category shoots (see ARTICLE X-A.5) will satisfy this requirement. Club membership is subject to VSSA approval.

1. An Application for VSSA Club Membership and Registered Shoot Request (form available on the website or from the Secretary) is to be submitted annually prior to 31 October (for the following skeet year) to the Secretary with the required dues (see ARTICLE VI-B.1).

2. Clubs may choose their Director by any appropriate means. All communications with the club will be through the club's Director.

3. If neither the primary or alternate club Director is able to attend a scheduled VSSA Board meeting, another club member may be designated to substitute. The designation must be in writing, signed by either the

primary or alternate Director, and submitted to the Secretary prior to or at the scheduled meeting. Representation by proxy is otherwise prohibited. A club's representative who is also a VSSA Officer and who is present at any meeting represents his/her club. In such circumstances, neither an alternate nor a substitute may represent that club, and such officer/primary representative is entitled to only one vote.

ARTICLE III. OFFICERS, DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A. Officers. The VSSA Officers (the Officers) are the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Officers serve the general membership, the Board of Directors (the Board) and the Executive Committee of the Board (the Executive Committee or EC) in the same capacity. All elected VSSA officials (including the Chief Referee) serve without compensation.

B. Board of Directors. The Board is the governing body of the VSSA. It is composed of the VSSA Officers and one Director from each club in good standing. However, an individual may only be counted once for quorum or voting. Except in executive session, Board meetings are open. Of a club's primary and alternate (or substitute) Directors, only one will be recognized for voting at a meeting. The presence of a majority of the Board constitutes a quorum.

C. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee is responsible for conducting the day-to-day business of the VSSA in accordance with these By-laws. The Executive Committee is composed of the Officers and four additional EC Members elected by the Board. The presence of a majority of the Executive Committee constitutes a quorum at meetings. The Executive Committee may also conduct business out-of-meeting; in which case, all Officers and EC Members constitute a quorum.

D. Elections. The Officers and EC Members serve two year terms, or until their elected successors take office. An election for President, Vice President and two EC Members will be held during odd years; an election for Secretary, Treasurer and two EC Members will be held during even years.

1. The nominating committee slate of candidates will be reported to the Secretary by 15 July for further dissemination to the Directors by 1 August. The slate will also be announced at the State Shoot general membership meeting; additional candidates will be accepted from the floor at the State Shoot Board meeting prior to the election.

2. Candidates receiving a plurality will be elected and take office at completion of the November Board meeting. In the event of a tie for a position and where the balloting for the position involved more than just the tied candidates, a run-off ballot will be conducted between the tied candidates.

3. In the event of a deadlocked ballot by the Board, the Executive Committee will elect. In the event of a further deadlocked ballot by the Executive Committee, the President will elect.

E. Vacancies. If a vacancy occurs among the Officers, EC Members or Chief Referee the Executive Committee will fill the vacancy for the unexpired term by any appropriate method (see ARTICLE IV-B).

ARTICLE IV. DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND CHIEF REFEREE

A. President. The President is responsible for the overall functioning of the VSSA. He will:

1. Execute documents (sign) for the VSSA;
2. Specify the time and location, promulgate the agenda, and preside at all VSSA meetings;
3. Appoint a VSSA member to conduct an audit/review of the Treasurer's records for the current fiscal year (1 November to 31 October) and prepare a report for presentation at the State Shoot general membership meeting;
4. Appoint a State Shoot Committee with a Chairman and members to include the Chief Referee, the Skeet Chairman of the host club, and others;
5. Appoint selection committee(s) for the State Teams, Sportsman of the Year and Referee of the Year awards to be presented at the State Shoot; and
6. Appoint other committees, as necessary.

B. Vice-President. The Vice-President will exercise all the powers of the President in his absence. If the office of President becomes vacant, then the Vice-President succeeds to that office.

C. Secretary. The Secretary is responsible for the maintenance of all official correspondence of VSSA. He will:

1. Maintain a list of all VSSA member clubs in good standing, to include the club's primary and alternate Directors, and if a substitute Director has been designated in writing for a specific meeting;
2. Notify the Directors and/or EC Members of special meetings called by the President;
3. Attend all VSSA meetings, ascertain the existence of a quorum, keep the minutes of the proceedings, and provide copies of the minutes within 15 days to the meeting principals (Officers and Directors or EC Members);
4. Notify the Directors of the Nominating Committee's slate of candidates prior to the State Shoot meeting;
5. Notify VSSA officials of their election or removal from office;
6. Notify clubs/members of their expulsion/suspension or reinstatement in the VSSA;
7. Keep the VSSA By-laws current and provide copies on request.
8. In concert with the President, publish the annual Newsletter in January and at other times when deemed appropriate.

D. Treasurer. The Treasurer maintains the VSSA monetary assets. He will:

1. Collect revenue and pay bills for the VSSA; a separate bank account will be maintained for this purpose;

2. Keep financial records on an accrual basis using generally accepted accounting practices;
3. Present a financial report at each regular VSSA meeting;
4. Present an annual budget for adoption at the November Board meeting.

E. Chief Referee. The Chief Referee is an annually elected official of VSSA. He will:

1. Act as final approval authority for the VSSA on all referee applicants seeking NSSA licensing;
2. Serve on the State Shoot Committee and as Chief Referee for the shoot;
3. Serve as Chief Referee at any registered shoot on request of the club and as convenient to him. In this capacity, he will provide field referees, coordinate their squadding with shoot management, and assist management in ensuring compliance with official NSSA rules for registered shooting;
4. Be the final judge as to the qualification and/or suitability of a referee in the event shoot management objects to the use of a particular field referee.

ARTICLE V. REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OR EXPULSION FROM MEMBERSHIP

A. Officials. The Board may remove any elected VSSA official from office for good and sufficient cause by a two-thirds vote of those voting in the presence of a quorum.

B. Clubs. The Board may expel, suspend for a specified time, or discipline any club for non-payment of daily VSSA target fees, or for other good and sufficient cause, by a two-thirds vote of those voting in the presence of a quorum.

C. Members. The Board may expel, suspend for a specified time, or discipline any member for good and sufficient cause by a two-thirds vote of those voting in the presence of a quorum.

D. Reinstatement. The Board may reinstate any expelled club or member by a majority vote of those voting in the presence of a quorum.

ARTICLE VI. ASSETS, FEES AND EXPENDITURES

A. Assets. VSSA assets are limited to incidental shoot supplies and, occasionally, small items for sale. Financial activities will be minimized; funds will neither be expended nor indebtedness incurred without authority of the Executive Committee or as herein provided. All financial transactions will be through the Treasurer and duly recorded by him.

B. Dues and Fees. The following dues and fees are established:

1. Annual VSSA club membership dues are \$10.00. Annual club dues must be paid by 31 October in order for a club to be eligible to vote at the annual November Board meeting.

2. Daily VSSA target fees are \$0.02 per target at all registered shoots (State Shoot excepted). They are levied on all shooters (including out-of-state) and payable by shoot management.

3. The Armed Forces Skeet Association (AFSA), when hosting in Virginia the Armed Services Skeet Championships, will be exempt from the assessment of daily VSSA target fees.

C. Budget. The Treasurer will present an annual budget for approval at the November Board meeting. Once adopted, the Executive Committee or Board may effect line item changes by a two-thirds vote of those voting in the presence of a quorum.

D. Reimbursements. All requests submitted to the Treasurer for payment or reimbursement must have annotated invoices/receipts attached that clearly identify the purpose of the expenditure.

ARTICLE VII. MEETINGS

A. General. The annual meeting of the general membership will be held during the State Shoot. It will include a report by the Treasurer of the current financial status of the VSSA, a presentation of awards, and the conduct of any other business, as appropriate. Since official business, per se, may not be conducted, there is no quorum requirement.

B. Board. There will be two annual meetings of the Board. The first meeting will be held on the second Sunday in November at a central location in the state, and will be the main business meeting of the VSSA. The second meeting will be held during the State Shoot and will be restricted to the election of VSSA officials, selection of next year's State Shoot site, the resolution/deferral of issues raised at the annual general membership meeting, and urgent business only. The order of business at Board meetings is as follows:

1. Roll call and acceptance of eligible Directors;

2. Reading and acceptance of minutes from the previous Board meeting;

3. Treasurer's report of the current financial status of the VSSA, and for the November meeting, a report by the VSSA member appointed to conduct the financial audit/review of the VSSA books.

4. President's report (to include Executive Committee activity);

5. Other reports;

6. Old business;

7a. New business at November meeting:

- a. Adoption of annual budget;
- b. Formulation of next year's open shoot schedule;
- c. Selection of the nominating committee for next year's election;
- 7b. New business at State Shoot meeting:
 - a. Election of next year's VSSA officials;
 - b. Selection of next year's State Shoot site;
- 7c. Other new business;
- 8. Committee appointments by President; and
- 9. Adjournment.

C. Special. Special meetings of the Board may be called at the President's discretion or on request of five Directors. At such meetings, business will be restricted to that stated in the call.

D. Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will meet at the call of the President. In the case of business out-of-meeting (phone, fax, mail, etc.), the record must show the result of all votes and that all Officers and EC Members were contacted and afforded an opportunity to vote.

E. Robert's Rules. Robert's Rules of Order will be used in the conduct of meetings of the VSSA except where otherwise provided for in these By-laws.

ARTICLE VIII. DISSOLUTION

A. Dissolution. On dissolution or final liquidation of the VSSA, any assets shall be contributed to the NSSA College Scholarship Fund.

B. Contingency. If the NSSA College Scholarship Fund is not in existence or not qualified under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code at the time of dissolution of the VSSA, any assets shall be distributed to a duly qualified 501(c)(3) organization in existence at the time of such dissolution.

ARTICLE IX. AMENDMENTS

A. Adoption. Only the Board may amend the VSSA By-laws. A vote of two-thirds of those voting in the presence of a quorum is required for adoption of an amendment. The Secretary shall ensure all Directors are notified of all approved amendments. Major amendments will cause the By-laws to be reissued in their entirety.

B. Submission. All proposed amendments must be submitted to the Secretary in writing. If the proposal is received 30 days in advance of a scheduled meeting and is disseminated to the principals at least 15 days prior to

the meeting, then final action may be taken on the proposal at the meeting. Otherwise, action on the proposal is limited to discussion with final action not permitted until the next meeting of the Board.

C. Exempt Status. The VSSA By-laws shall be amended, as appropriate, to maintain VSSA's exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE X. REGISTERED SHOOTS

A. Rules. VSSA imposes no modifications to NSSA rules and regulations for the conduct of registered skeet shooting. However, the following supplements NSSA rules regarding the administration of registered skeet shoots:

1. All open shoots must be provided to the NSSA for publication in their proscribed manner, or a minimum of 50 shoot programs mailed to local shooters with a copy of the mailing list used forwarded to the Secretary. The publishing lead-time is approximately two months, and subject to change;

2. Winners must be declared for all open shoots and reported to NSSA for publication;

3. All registered shoot documentation (registration forms, scoreboards, squad sheets, referees list, etc.) must be retained for one year following the shoot;

4. All registered targets shot in advance or after a regularly scheduled shoot may only be reported as preliminary event targets; and

5. Three types of shoots are recognized: Open, Closed and Other. Open shoots accept entries from all NSSA members in good standing. Closed shoots have restricted entries and include such shoots as closed club, invitational and State and Zone Shoots. Other shoots are those shot in a reduced competitive environment and include such shoots as Monthly Targets, Targets Only, NSSA Sweepstakes and Event 6 type shoots. (Note: Event 6 targets are included in NSSA lifetime targets, but are excluded from averages/classifications.)

B. Reporting. A completed VSSA financial report form and daily fees (see ARTICLE VI-B.2.) are to be submitted to the Treasurer within 15 days of the shoot for deposit. The Host Club will be responsible for retaining shoot records (scores and squad sheets) for 90 days after the beginning of the next new shooting year for reference as needed by the shooters and/or NSSA. Non-receipt of said reports and fees (more than 30 days delinquent) will be reported to the President for Board action under the By-laws.

C. Schedule. The annual schedule of open shoots for the following calendar year will be resolved at the November Board meeting. Each club in good standing may have one or two protected dates (weekends), depending on availability, during this period. The following are pertinent to the schedule:

1. The Secretary will prepare a draft schedule from the date requests on all applications received for presentation at the November Board meeting (see ARTICLE II-B.1.). Open weekends (no shoots requested for those dates) may be requested for shoots by those clubs represented at the meeting.

2. Clubs that wish to schedule a shoot on the same date as another Club's protected date must have permission from the "protected" Club Director. However, as Virginia is a large state geographically with over 300 active shooters and can normally support more than one shoot per weekend, "protected clubs" are encouraged to allow clubs that are at least 100 miles away to schedule shoots on the same weekend.

3. Protected dates are limited to the first through the fourth full weekend of a month. Full weekends start on Saturday; months occasionally have five full weekends. Protected dates cannot be "shared" by clubs but may be traded between clubs on a temporary or permanent basis. The Secretary will maintain a list of all protected date assignments.

4. Closed and Other type (see Article X-A.5.) shoots may be requested and shot on any date(s) regardless of any other scheduled shoot.

5. Once the schedule is finalized by the Board at the November meeting, the Secretary will prepare and submit all shoot applications to NSSA. All requests for additions, deletions, or changes must be submitted to the Secretary for coordination and approval. The Secretary will inform NSSA, the Treasurer, and the VSSA Webmaster of all approved schedule changes.

ARTICLE XI. STATE SHOOT (Nov 2019)

A. Closed. The State Shoot is a closed shoot, open only to individual VSSA members. Out-of-state shooters may be accommodated on a space available, targets only basis. The State Shoot will be scheduled to coincide with the second full weekend in September.

B. Host Club. To be eligible to host the State Shoot, a club must have:

1. At least one registered, four-gun open shoot prior to 1 July of the same year as the State Shoot;

2. Shooting facilities to accommodate at least 175 four-gun shooters and a majority of the doubles competition over a three-day period;

3. Hotels/motels within 30 miles with at least 50 available rooms, and on site facilities for 25 campers with water and sufficient electrical power to run air conditioners;

4. Facilities to provide daily food service and accommodations for 200 people for dinner; and

5. A listed public telephone.

C. Selection. At the State Shoot Directors meeting, the Board will select a starting bid amount for the following year's State Shoot and offer it to the primary club. The bid amount, at a minimum, is to cover club profit, the Saturday night dinner, and power to and maintenance of the traps. If the primary club does not accept the bid amount, it will be offered to the next club in sequence, etc. If no club accepts, 25 cents will be added to the bid amount and the process repeated until a bid is accepted. The first club to accept a bid amount will be awarded the following year's State Shoot.

1. Sequence. Of those clubs qualified to host the State Shoot, the primary club in the bidding sequence is the club that has not held the

State Shoot for the longest period of time (this would include a club newly meeting the criteria for host club). The club with the next longest period is secondary, and so on.

D. Responsibilities. The following depicts the division of management responsibilities between the host club and VSSA for the shoot.

1. Host club.
 - a. Grounds. Preparation and appearance (includes trash).
 - b. Traps. Operation and maintenance (includes spare traps).
 - c. Targets. Order and stock houses; provide target count for shoot.
 - d. Trapboys. Supervise; coordinate hiring with VSSA.
 - e. Port-a-pots. Rent; coordinate quantity with VSSA.
 - f. Practice. Operate field(s), as available.
 - g. Ammunition. Order and coordinate sales.
 - h. Food Service. Provide service at least during main events.
 - i. Cocktail Party. Set up only, as coordinated with VSSA State Shoot Committee.
 - j. Dinner. Prepare and serve Saturday night.
2. VSSA (through the State Shoot Committee).
 - a. Program. Preparation and distribution.
 - b. Awards/Pins. Design, procurement and distribution.
 - c. Reservations. In advance and squadding.
 - d. Supplies. Scoreboards, squad sheets, pencils, etc., as needed.
 - e. Registrants and Scorekeepers. Provide and coordinate.
 - f. Chief Referee and Field Referees. Option to fill traps.
 - g. Shoot-offs. Determination and conduct.
 - h. Targets. Reimburse host at cost (less paid practice rounds).
 - i. Payouts. At registration desk and/or mailings.

j. Reports. Results and financial with fees to NSSA.

k. Write-up. With reports to NSSA within 15 days.

l. Cocktail Party. Provide beverages and snacks

E. Payments. VSSA will pay all State Shoot expenses not covered in the host club's bid. The host club will submit a detailed reimbursement request with receipts to the Treasurer within 15 days after the shoot for all expenses paid directly.

1. VSSA will pay the host club up to \$300 for field clean-up (target boxes, spent shells, related items) . Any additional costs will be the responsibility of the host club.

2. VSSA will pay the host club for targets at cost plus 10% (for shoot-offs, broken and setting/looking) based on the number of guns shot. Payment will not be made until an invoice showing cost of the targets is received.

3. For the number of targets used (registered and shoot-off plus target setting) at the host club's actual cost based on the actual count on each machine. Practice rounds shall not be included in this count.

4. The host club will submit a detailed reimbursement request (each item amount) with receipts to the Treasurer within 15 days after the shoot for all expenses paid directly. Payment will not be made until an invoice showing cost of the targets is received by the Treasurer.

ARTICLE XII. STATE TEAMS (Nov 2012, Nov 2013, Nov 2015, Dec 2016, Nov 2019)

A. Teams. The State Team Selection Committee will select the State Teams for the current year in the following order based on the previous year's averages:

1. Open First Team; Open Second Team;
2. Ladies Team;
3. Sub-Junior Team; Junior Team; Triple-Sub Team; Sub-Sub-Senior Team; Sub-Senior Team; Senior Team; Veteran Team; Senior Veteran; Super Veteran Team;
4. Military Team, Retired Military Team and Military Veteran Team.
5. Selection to the SUB-JUNIOR, JUNIOR, SENIOR VETERAN, and SUPER VETERAN Teams will be based on the individual's average for the 12 gauge (or the next lower gauge if the shooter shot less than the required 400 qualifying targets in the 12 gauge). Once that minimum is reached all targets shot in that gauge are included in the gauge average to determine placement on the team.

Teams will be composed of five members maximum; individuals may be selected to one team only.

Selection to the OPEN, TRI-SUB, SUB-SUB-SENIOR, SUB SENIOR, and SENIOR Teams will be based on the average of the individual's end of year four gun averages (doubles excluded) as compiled by NSSA. The team member having the highest average will be designated team captain with the remaining members ranked in descending order. In case of ties, the smallest gun average will be used for the tie-breaker, then the next larger, etc., until the tie is broken. 600 qualifying targets in each gauge are required. Once that minimum is reached all targets shot are included in the four gun average to determine placement on the teams.

Selection to the LADIES and VETERAN Teams will be based on the individual's end of year four gun average the same as defined above; however, only 400 qualifying targets in each gauge are required. Once that minimum is reached all targets shot are included in the four gun average to determine placement on the team.

Selection to the SUB-JUNIOR, JUNIOR, SENIOR VETERAN, and SUPER VETERAN Teams will be based on the individual's average for the 12 gauge (or the next lower gauge if the shooter shot less than the required 400 qualifying targets in the 12 gauge). Once that minimum is reached all targets shot in that gauge are included in the gauge average to determine placement on the team.

Selection of MILITARY Team members is based on the normal 600 target minimums in each gauge; however, if there are insufficient qualifying military shooters the required minimum targets will be lowered to 500 and then to 400 as necessary to attempt to fill the team with five shooters.

Selection of RETIRED MILITARY Team members is based on the normal 600 qualifying target minimums in each gauge.

Selection of MILITARY VETERAN Team members is based on the normal 600 qualifying target minimums in each gauge.

B. Eligibility. At least a minimum number of qualifying Virginia targets must be shot to establish eligibility. Shooters who have changed their state of residence during the shooting year remain eligible for Virginia State Team consideration if they meet all other eligibility criteria contained herein and notify the Secretary or State Team Selection Committee Chairman of their desire to be considered for a Virginia State Team. The shooter must provide data to support his/her request. No shooter may allow himself or herself to be considered for any State Team selection in more than one state for any particular NSSA shooting year.

1. Qualifying Targets. Qualifying registered targets include only those:

a. Shot in main events at open shoots in Virginia.

b. All targets shot at the Virginia State Championships including those shot in the preliminary event(s). These are the only preliminary event targets allowed for state team selections.

c. Shot in main events at the World (less Mini and added target events), Junior World (Sub-Junior, Junior and Collegiate shooters only), and Zone II main events only. Junior World targets that qualify an individual for a team qualify the same individual for any team.

d. Shot in any gauge event at the Armed Services Skeet Championships (for Military, Retired Military, and Military Veteran Teams only).

e. Registered skeet Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP) targets shot in Virginia or at the National SCTP Championships only (for Sub-Junior and Junior Teams only).

f. Shot in main events at the Ladies Charity Skeet Classic Shoot when shot in Virginia (Ladies Team only).

2. Non-qualifying targets include:

a. Non-qualifying targets include those shot and registered as Targets Only, Added Targets, Monthly Targets, and League Targets, or in preliminary events (except Virginia State Championships preliminary events), and targets shot at closed shoots except the Virginia State Championships.

b. Targets shot that are recorded by NSSA using (SHOOT NUMBER)-A1 for additional targets, (SHOOT NUMBER)-P1 for preliminary targets, (SHOOT NUMBER)-T1 for monthly targets, and (SHOOT NUMBER)-L1 for league targets are not qualifying targets under any circumstances (except for (SHOOT NUMBER)-P1 targets shot at the Virginia State Championships). You will find these designations in your NSSA shoot history.

C. Procedure. The Secretary will request a listing from NSSA of the shoot histories of those individuals eligible for the teams and forward the listing to the State Team Selection Committee Chairman for processing. The list of selected teams will be submitted to the President for approval and forwarded to the Secretary for reporting to NSSA for publication in the manner utilized by NSSA and the VASKEET.ORG webmaster for inclusion in the web site. Team members will be recognized in the State Shoot program and their awards presented at the State Shoot general membership meeting in August.

D. Exclusion. Individuals may request exclusion from State Team eligibility by writing or e-mailing the Secretary. Such exclusions may be for one or more years, and may be rescinded at any time by again writing the Secretary. To request or rescind an exclusion for the current year, the request must be received by the Secretary prior to 1 January.

E. Minimum average. A shooter must have a minimum average of .8000 to be selected for a state team. That average may be their HOA average or a single gun average depending on the target requirements for the various teams.