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Shooting Events (15)



Men's 10m Air Rifle

Women's 10m Air Rifle

Mixed 10m Air Rifle

Men's 50m Rifle 3 Pos.

Women's 50m Rifle 3 Pos.

Men's 10m Air Pistol

Women's 10m Air Pistol

Mixed 10m Air Pistol

Men's 25m Rapid Fire

Women's 25m Pistol

Men's Trap

Women's Trap

Mixed Skeet

Men's Skeet

Women's Skeet



How Olympic Shooting Works

Olympic Shooting is broken down into three disciplines: rifle, pistol, and shotgun.

There are two rifle events, the **10-meter Air Rifle** and the **50-meter Three Positions Rifle**. As the name of the event implies, in the air rifle event, athletes aim at a small target located 10 meters away. That target is "ringed", so shooters earn points based on how close they get to the center of the target.

In the qualification round, the men take 60 shots and the women take 40 shots. The top eight competitors from the qualification round advance to the final. In the final round, scores reset. The round begins with eight shots. Then, the lowest-ranking finalist is eliminated every two shots until the last man or woman standing wins the gold medal.

Two competitors make up the mixed air rifle event and their scores are combined for the team's total score. There is no "elimination series" in the mixed event. Instead, the top eight teams earn a spot in the "qualification stage 2" or semifinals. The top two teams will face off head-to-head in the gold medal match while teams ranked #3 and #4 will face off in the bronze medal match.

In the three positions rifle, athletes take shots from the kneeling, prone, and standing positions. The men will take 40 shots from each position and the women will take 20 shots from each position. The final round functions similarly to the individual air rifle event with the "elimination series" used to determine the winner. The final round begins with 15 shots each in the kneeling and prone positions and the two lowest-ranking shooters are then eliminated every five shots in the standing position.

The pistol events function similarly to the rifle positions. The **10-meter air pistol** event is practically identical to the rifle event (even down to the number of shots taken) with the obvious difference being the type of gun. In the **Rapid Fire** event, competitors have four seconds to take five shots at five different targets. The men compete in the rapid fire event while the women compete in the **25-meter Pistol** which combines elements of precision and rapid shooting.

There are only six finalists in the rapid fire event. The elimination starts after the fourth series. Unlike the air rifle and air pistol events, the target used in rapid fire is "hit or miss" where a hit is worth one point and a miss is worth zero points

Trap Shooting and **Skeet Shooting** make up the two shotgun events. The goal of both competitions is to knock down a target flying in the air at speeds of approximately 60 miles per hour. In trap shooting, targets are released from the ground and typically travel away from the shooter. In skeet shooting, two targets are released instead of one and are released at varying heights, often crossing in front of the shooter.

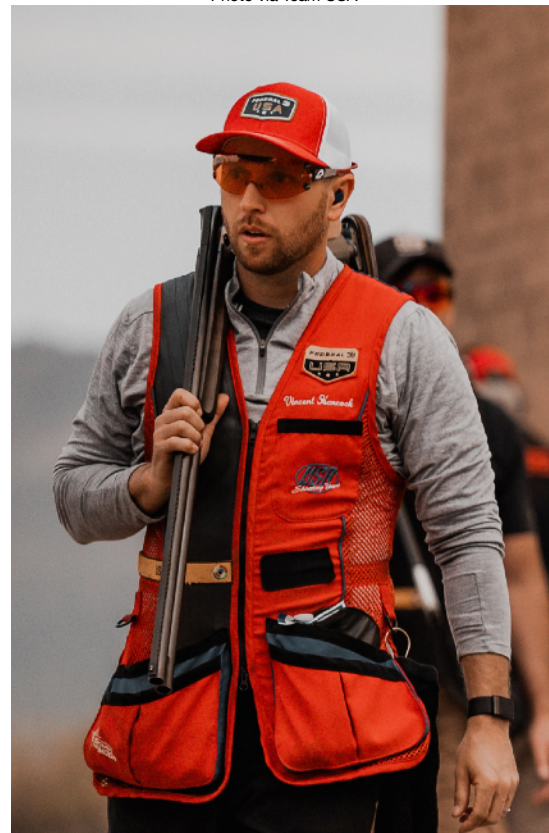
In both trap and skeet shooting, the men complete five rounds of 25 shots each and the women complete three rounds. The top six athletes advance to the semifinals. 15 shots are taken (with a shoot-off, if necessary to break any ties). The top two individuals or teams face off in the gold medal match and the third and fourth place teams face off in the bronze medal match.

Shooting Schedule

Events in ET, medal events in **bold**

Date	Time	Event
Sat, July 27	3:00 AM	Mixed 10m Air Rifle Qualification
Sat, July 27	4:30 AM	Men's 10m Air Pistol Qualification
Sat, July 27	4:30 AM	Mixed 10m Air Rifle Final
Sat, July 27	6:30 AM	Women's 10m Air Pistol Qualification
Sun, July 28	3:15 AM	Women's 10m Air Rifle Qualification
Sun, July 28	3:30 AM	Men's 10m Air Pistol Final
Sun, July 28	5:15 AM	Men's 10m Air Rifle Qualification
Sun, July 28	6:00 AM	Women's 10m Air Pistol Final
Mon, July 29	3:00 AM	Men's Trap Qualification - Day 1
Mon, July 29	3:15 AM	Mixed 10m Air Pistol Qualification
Mon, July 29	3:30 AM	Women's 10m Air Rifle Final
Mon, July 29	6:00 AM	Men's 10m Air Rifle Final
Tue, July 30	3:00 AM	Men's Trap Qualification - Day 2
Tue, July 30	3:00 AM	Women's Trap Qualification - Day 1
Tue, July 30	3:30 AM	Mixed 10m Air Pistol Final
Tue, July 30	9:30 AM	Men's Trap Final
Wed, July 31	3:00 AM	Men's 3 Positions Rifle Qualification
Wed, July 31	3:00 AM	Women's Trap Qualification - Day 2
Wed, July 31	9:30 AM	Women's Trap Final
Thu, Aug 1	3:30 AM	Men's 3 Positions Rifle Final
Thu, Aug 1	6:00 AM	Women's 3 Positions Rifle Qualification
Fri, Aug 2	3:00 AM	Women's 25m Pistol Precision Qualification
Fri, Aug 2	3:00 AM	Men's Skeet Qualification - Day 1
Fri, Aug 2	3:30 AM	Women's 3 Positions Rifle Final
Fri, Aug 2	6:00 AM	Women's 25m Pistol Rapid Qualification
Sat, Aug 3	3:00 AM	Men's Skeet Qualification - Day 2
Sat, Aug 3	3:00 AM	Women's Skeet Qualification - Day 1
Sat, Aug 3	3:30 AM	Women's 25m Pistol Final
Sat, Aug 3	9:30 AM	Men's Skeet Final
Sun, Aug 4	3:00 AM	Men's 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Qualification
Sun, Aug 4	3:30 AM	Women's Skeet Qualification - Day 2
Sun, Aug 4	7:00 AM	Men's 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Semifinals
Sun, Aug 4	9:30 AM	Women's Skeet Final
Mon, Aug 5	3:00 AM	Mixed Team Skeet Qualification
Mon, Aug 5	3:30 AM	Men's 25m Rapid Fire Pistol Final
Mon, Aug 5	9:00 AM	Mixed Team Skeet Final

Photo via Team USA



Meet Team USA

Team USA claimed three gold medals (six total medals) in the Tokyo Games. The Americans swept the medals in the skeet event led by Vincent Hancock (above). Amber English won the gold on the women's side but unlike Hancock, she won't participate in the 2024 Games leaving Dania Vizzi and Austen Smith as the two candidates to pursue gold.

2020 Shooting Medal Count

