

# 2010 ATA All-American team requirements

Following is a brief summary of requirements for selection to a 2010 ATA All-American team, based on 2009 target-year accomplishments. For an in-depth explanation of each requirement, see the corresponding sections.

- Candidates must meet minimum-target requirements, which vary by category (men's, women's, junior, etc.) of team. For the chairshooter team only, there are no minimum-target requirements.

- Candidates must compete in All-American Qualifying Shoots in a minimum of three states and/or provinces. For the chairshooter team only, there is no minimum-state requirement.

- Applications are not required. The ATA website ([www.shootata.com](http://www.shootata.com)) includes team standings and individual reports for All-American Qualifying Shoots. Information displayed here is considered official and will be the basis for team selection. It is recommended that shooters check their Points assignments and standing periodically and report any discrepancies to the ATA office. Because trophy reports as received by the ATA office and/or TRAP & FIELD magazine from

tournament hosts are the official records from which All-American Points are awarded, participants may contact tournament host management directly so that official corrections to the trophy winners' report can be forwarded to TRAP & FIELD and ATA. Errors in Points assignment or calculations may be reported directly to the ATA.

- A shooter will be named to one team only. Anyone who qualifies for more than one team will be placed on the team where he or she ranks highest. (This may not necessarily be the team where he or she has tallied the greatest number of points.)

In addition, to ensure that their accomplishments will be compiled for All-American team selection purposes, age-category shooters must have their birthdates on file with the ATA, and chairshooter participants must inform the ATA of their eligibility for the chairshooter team (if they have not already done so in the past). Please make these declarations as early as possible. Final deadline for notification is Aug. 31, 2009.

## Shoot the targets!

Minimum target requirements are as follows:

Men—3,000 singles, 2,500 handicap, 1,500 doubles.

Women, juniors and veterans—3,000 singles, 2,000 handicap, 1,000 doubles.

Sub-juniors and senior veterans—2,000 singles, 1,000 handicap and 500 doubles.

Chairshooters—no minimum-target requirements.

## Make the shoots!

Candidates for All-American teams must have competed at All-American Qualifying Shoots in a minimum of **three** states and/or provinces. (Exception: chairshooter team has no minimum requirement.)

Under the ATA's All-American Awards Points System, All-American Qualifying Shoots include

- the Grand American
- Satellite Grand Americans (Dixie, Spring, Southern, Empire, Southwestern, Great Lakes, Heartland, Western, Northeastern, Autumn)
- Resident ATA Zone Shoots (Central, Eastern, Southern, Southwestern, Western)
- Resident and Non-Resident ATA State and Provincial Shoots
- Other Major Tournaments—ATA shoots where entries in the singles, doubles and handicap Championship Events total at least **600 entries** (individually or in any combination)

The last requirement listed above is applied *only* to shoots *other than* the Grand American, Satellite Grands, ATA Zone tournaments and State/Provincial shoots.

All Other Major Tournaments which meet the specifications to be All-American Qualifying Shoots in the 2008 ATA target year will automatically be Qualifying Shoots in 2009, regardless of 2009 attendance. (Note: the Competition Factor is based on the current target year's attendance; i.e., the Competition Factor does not carry forward from year to year.)

All-American team selection will be substantially guided by the following policy:

If a qualifying All-American Points tournament is scheduled to start near the end of the current target year and scheduled to end in the succeeding target year (i.e., spanning the target years) and is canceled for whatever reason subsequent to the tournament start, any qualifying points earned will count toward the ensuing target year for All-American team purposes. (Nevertheless, the targets will be recorded and registered in the expiring target year, in keeping with Rule II, B. [Page 9] of the ATA Rule Book.)

## Seven best shoots

Persons may compete in as many tournaments as they wish. However, only a shooter's top seven All-American Qualifying Shoots (in **total** number of points) will be applied toward his or her All-American team selection.

Points will be assigned for each trophy, tie, and/or score which earns All-American Points. To determine total All-American Points earned at a given shoot, Trophy and Tie Points will be multiplied by the corresponding Competition Factor, then added to any Score Points earned.

See "All-American Points System" section and box for additional details.

## Trophy Events

Trophy Points are awarded for actual trophy wins as reported to the ATA office and/or TRAP & FIELD by the tournament host. The report as received will be the official record from which Trophy Points are awarded. Shooters will not be eligible for Trophy Points unless the official shoot program specifies where trophies will be awarded in each qualifying event.

[Shoot reporters: Reports must include entry numbers for each Points event, shooters tied for each Points trophy, and results of all Points trophy tie-breakers. A trophy list and shootoff results for all ATA registered events that qualify for All-American Points is required (ATA Rulebook III, D, c)—Ed.]

Participants who note errors/omissions in winners' lists in T&F or on [www.shootata.com](http://www.shootata.com) are encouraged to contact the tournament host directly so that official notice of corrections may be forwarded to T&F and the ATA.

A clear winner for each eligible point award must be determined. Trophy Points will not be awarded to shooters who do not have ties determined in a conventional manner (e.g., shootoff, flip of the coin, etc.). Only Tie Points will be awarded in cases where clear winners are not reported.

Tournaments and events for which Trophy, Tie, and/or Score Points will be awarded are the following:

- **Grand American**—all events, championship and preliminary. (Exceptions: the HOAs on 1) the total Preliminary Week targets and 2) the total Preliminary Week and Grand Week targets. These are not Points events.)

In the other two HOAs (Prelim Week and Grand Week) plus both All-Around events (Prelim Week and Grand Week), Trophy Points for placement in the top 10 by score are awarded according to the Trophy Points table.

All Grand Week trophies are assigned Championship Events points, while

## Competition Factor

The total of the number of entries in each of the three Championship Events (singles, handicap and doubles) at All-American Team Qualifying Shoots determines each shoot's Competition Factor.

### Please note:

- Grand Week events have a fixed Competition Factor of ten (10).
- Grand American Preliminary Days events have a fixed Competition Factor of eight (8).
- Satellite Grand Americans and ATA Zone Shoots have a minimum Competition Factor of three (3).
- State/provincial championship shoots have a maximum Competition Factor of seven (7).

At each All-American Qualifying Shoot, points received for each trophy win or tie (Trophy Points and Tie Points, respectively) are multiplied by that shoot's Competition Factor to determine **total** Trophy and Tie Points. (Score Points are NOT multiplied by the Competition Factor but are added to the Trophy and Tie Points total.)

The number of shooters completing an event as indicated in ATA records will govern in case of dispute of tournament attendance.

Total number of entries	Competition Factor
5 to 500	2
501 to 900	3
901 to 1500	4
1501 to 2100	5
2101 to 2700	6
2701 to 3300	7
3301 to 3900	8
3901 and over	9