

## **ACTA ACADEMY selection**

The ACTA Academy is a structured program for our elite junior shooters. The ultimate aim is to further develop these athletes in a range of areas so they may achieve at the pinnacle of their chosen discipline.

When selecting talented athletes for further development there are two ways of doing this; taking those athletes that have already risen to the top and identifying those athletes with potential to rise to the top. The ACTA Academy will select athletes in 2014 both ways through achieving automatic qualification from the National Championships and then for the remaining positions through application to the National Coaching Director.

The ACTA Academy will also have a Pathway for athletes striving to join the ACTA Academy in future years.

The ACTA Academy will be announced in October each year after all of the National Events have been completed. Each athlete will need to accept the ACTA Academy terms and conditions prior to announcement.

The ACTA Academy will consist of 12-15 athletes each year, these athletes need to meet their discipline World Championship requirements as a junior the following year – so that they may see out at least one year as a junior e.g. in the year of competition (2015) be under 21 years hence <20 years 31<sup>st</sup> Dec 2014.

### **AUTOMATIC QUALIFICATION for the 2014/2015 ACTA Academy**

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For the 2014/2015 ACTA Academy squad automatic qualification is by being the athlete with the highest National High Gun Score from their chosen discipline and meeting the age and the grade prerequisites as outlined below.

GRADE PREREQUISITES at the end of the Nationals

DTL	MALE	FEMALE	AA	<20 years 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2014
SKEET	MALE	FEMALE	AA	<20 years 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2014
Sporting Clays	MALE	FEMALE	A	<20 years 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2014
Olympic Trap	MALE	FEMALE	A	<20 years 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2014
Double Trap	MALE	N/A	A	<20 years 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2014
ISSF Skeet	MALE	FEMALE	A	<20 years 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2014

### **APPLICATION for entry into the 2014/2015 ACTA Academy**

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If you believe you are one of Australia's elite or pre-elite juniors and would like to be a part of the ACTA Academy please fill in an application. Applications can be downloaded from the Coaching & Rules section of the ACTA Website.

The application asks for D.O.B, current grade, discipline of choice, results and scores from major championships and events, what coaching camps/clinics you have attended over the years. We also want to know what your goals are for the future and why you should be included in the ACTA Academy.

Applications close September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2014 and can be forwarded to coach@claytarget.com.au