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APPLICATION FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF THE  
**European Championship Shotgun**  
**Trap – Double Trap – Skeet**  
**2022**

**DESCRIPTION OF THE EXISTING SHOOTING RANGES AND OTHER NECESSARY FACILITIES WHICH MEET THE ISSF REQUIREMENTS**

The European Championship in Shotgun 2022 will be organized at the very well known shooting Nicosia Olympic Shooting in Latsia Nicosia.

**1. SHOOTING RANGE FACILITIES**

The very well-known Cyprus Olympic Shooting Range 'Lakis Psimolophitis' which is located in the area of Latsia, on the outskirts of Nicosia, is equipped with 4 separate Skeet and 4 separate Trap - Double Trap layouts.

The Venue hosted very successfully the 1995 and 2003, 2007 ISSF Separate World Championships, a big number of ISSF World Cups, the ISSF World Cup Final of 2000 and the 1998, 2004 & 2008 European Championships, in the shotgun events. It will host also one of the 2020 ISSF World Cups in Shotgun.

It is situated at a distance of 10 km from Nicosia, the capital of Cyprus, 45 km from Larnaca, 80 km from Limassol, 85 km from Paralimni and Ayia Napa and 150 km from Paphos. The driving time from the Larnaca International Airport, to the Venue is approximately 35 minutes.

The Venue has full cafeteria and restaurant facilities that can offer meals, lunch, dinner etc. at very reasonable prices.

The Skeet and Trap layouts are equipped with NASTA machines from Finland and operated by phonopul systems from PROGETTI Italy. The Skeet layouts operate with acoustic release system. All layouts will be equipped with electronic scoreboards from PROGETTI and The Finals range will be equipped with big scoreboard as per ISSF regulations

## **2. CLAY TARGETS**

The colour of the clay targets that will be used during the qualification and the finals will be orange. The brand of the clay targets will be announced at a later stage.

### **INFORMATION REGARDING THE PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP, TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM THE RANGES, THE AVAILABILITY OF TRAVEL CONCESSIONS AND OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

#### **1. ARRIVAL IN CYPRUS**

Cyprus through its main international airport in Larnaca and the international airport in Paphos, offers excellent travel connections with Europe. Cyprus Airways (the national airline of the island) has direct connections with many countries whereas many other national airlines (British Airways, KLM, Lufthansa, Alitalia, Aeroflot, Austrian Airlines, Olympic Airways, Aegean Airlines, Ryanair etc.) hold regular flights to and from Larnaca airport.

#### **2. ENTRY VISAS**

Cyprus is a full member of the European Union and some nations require visas to enter into Cyprus. The visas must be obtained from a Cyprus Embassy or Consulate abroad prior to arrival. The Organizing Committee will be ready to supply to the participants applying for a visa, any necessary documentation.

Detailed information regarding visas and formalities for entry into Cyprus can be found in the website of the Cyprus Ministry of Foreign Affairs, **[www.mfa.gov.cy](http://www.mfa.gov.cy)**, at the **"consular information"** and **"travel information for foreign visitors"** subsections.

#### **3. CUSTOM CLEARANCE**

All athletes, not holding a 'European Shotgun Certificate' will be requested upon arrival at Larnaca or Paphos airports, to present to customs (Red Channel) the completed official shotgun and ammunition form, in order to obtain a temporary shotgun, import permit. One copy of the completed form must be sent to the Organizing Committee.

European Union nationals holding a 'European Shotgun Certificate' will be required to check their shotguns through customs (Red Channel) also and verify the serial numbers of their weapons, only.

All delegations will be escorted through customs at the time of arrival.

The gun permits or the 'European Shotgun Certificates' must be represented to customs at the time of departure.

#### **4. SHOTGUN CARTRIDGES**

The custom authorities will allow all participating shooters to import with them all the necessary cartridges that will be used for the competition. Local made and other well-known imported cartridges (VICTORY, OLYMPIA, RC, SAGA & B&P, CLEVER MIRAGE and others) will be available for sale at the shooting range at approximately €5.50 - €10.00 per box of 25.

#### **5. STORAGE OF GUNS AND AMMUNITION**

Limited storage of guns and ammunition will be available at the range. The police authorities permit all visitors possessing a valid temporary import shotgun permit or a 'European Shotgun Certificate', to store freely their weapons and ammunition in their hotel rooms, during their stay in Cyprus.

#### **6. PARTICIPATION - EVENTS - CATEGORIES**

Events: - Trap, Skeet, Double Trap, individual and team events  
Categories: - Men, Men Junior, Women, Women Junior

- Each nation can enter a maximum of three (3) shooters in individual events who may participate as one (1) team in team events and two (2) additional shooters per Olympic event for MQS. The MQS shooters will not be ranked in the official results list and their scores cannot be recognized as World or European Records.
- Juniors may participate in the men's and women's competitions, but in one category only (either in the junior's or in the senior's events) at the same championships (place and period).

#### **7. CURRENCY**

The currency of the republic of Cyprus is the EURO (€).

#### **8. LOCAL TRANSPORTATION**

##### Transport from / to the official hotels / Venue

The Organizing Committee will provide for all participants free return transport from the official hotels to the Venue. Any participants not accommodated at the official hotels will be responsible for their own means of transport.

##### Transport from / to the Airport / official hotels

An airport pick-up service will operate during the official arrival dates and all participating nations will be requested to give the arrival and departure details of their teams on time (completed official arrival and departure form). A minimum cost will be charged which will be approved by the ESC.

## **9. DOPING CONTROL**

The Organizing Committee with the co-operation of the Cyprus National Anti-Doping Agency will conduct doping control according to the ISSF Anti-doping rules and regulations under the supervision of the ESC doping control officer.

## **10. ACCOMMODATION AND HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

The delegations will be accommodated in selected three, four- and five-star hotels in Larnaca and Nicosia located at less than a thirty five-minute drive from the Venue, at very reasonable prices. All hotel reservations will be made through the Organizing Committee.

## **11. OPENING, CLOSING AND AWARDING CEREMONIES**

The Championship will be inaugurated with an Opening and Closing Ceremony of very short duration.

## **12. MEDIA RELATIONS**

The Media office, at the Venues, will be equipped with all the necessary internet, telephone and fax connections. Sufficient electrical outlets for personal laptops will be provided also.

The Cyprus Shooting Sport Federation will arrange TV coverage of the finals and provide the necessary signal to European TV outlets.

## **13. INDUSTRY AND EXHIBITION ON THE VENUE**

Limited service providing industry and exhibition of shooting accessories will be available on the Venue. Companies wishing to exhibit their products at the Venue must contact the Organizing Committee directly for further details.

## **14. PROPOSED PERIOD OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP**

It is proposed that the Championship, depending upon the dates of the ISSF World Cups, be organized in July 2022.

## **15. WEATHER INFORMATION IN JULY**

High temperatures, cloudless skies and cooling breezes from the sea are what July weather is about. July is one of the hottest months in Cyprus. Average maximum temperature in July soars up to 30°C on the west coast and 32°C-33°C on the eastern-south coast. Inland it is hotter and drier with temperatures reaching 37°C. On the mountains it is also hot but not as much as on the lowlands; temperatures rarely go above 28°C. The main heat of the day is from 12 am till 4 pm. The night brings some coolness. Still the lowest average temperature is only 20°C on the west coast and 22°C on the eastern-south coast and inland. The night temperature for Troodos mountains is

18°C. Rains are almost unheard of in July. The sea is very warm with temperatures about 26°C.

## **16. CONTACT DETAILS**

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