

European Shooting Confederation



LAPUA EUROPEAN CUP 25m

Center Fire Pistol, Standard Pistol and 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs

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2. FOREWORD

The 25m Center Fire Pistol and 25m Standard Pistol events are official ISSF events, supported by the ESC. The high level obtained at the last European and World Championships shows the motivation of international shooters for these events.

In the unanimous opinion of many top seeded leading international competitors, the 25m Center Fire Pistol and 25m Standard Pistol events are attractive and interesting Pistol events of the ISSF, and include all the main principles of sport shooting.

Taking all these observations into consideration, it appears necessary to organize a European Cup 25m Center Fire Pistol event and Standard Pistol event for women and men.

To attract more women to competition 25m pistol Mixed Pairs event is created.

3. TECHNICAL BASIS

3.1 Creation of new Competitions

The events must comply with the official ISSF Technical and Pistol Rules. All ESC member Federations are invited to take part in the Cup. 25m pistol Mixed Pairs rules are in Appendix 1.

3.2 Minimum entry in the events

In each one of the Lapua European Cup 25m competitions, there must be a minimum of four (4) nations and twelve (12) athletes.

In 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs Event minimum number is 5 Mixed Pairs from 2 countries.

3.3 Participation

All athletes of ESC Member Federations may participate in the Lapua European Cup 25m.

3.4 Lapua European Cup 25m Final

The Final of the Lapua European Cup 25m will be organized when all the qualification competitions are completed.

4. PARTICIPATION AND ENTRY FEES

4.1 Participating Shooters

All nations participating in the Lapua European Cup 25m may enter an unlimited number of individual athletes Men and/or Women in each qualifying competition and unlimited number of Mixed Pairs

There will be a combined ranking list for men and women for each discipline (Center Fire Pistol and Standard Pistol and 25m pistol Mixed Pairs).

4.2 Entry Fees

The Entry Fee for each of the Lapua European Cup 25m competitions is €75 per athlete per discipline. For the Final, the Entry Fee is €90 per athlete per discipline. The organizing Federation is obliged to forward €5 per athlete per discipline and €5 per Mixed Pair to ESC in qualification competitions and 5€ per athlete/Mixed Pair per discipline for the Final.

The Entry fee for 25m pistol Mix Pair is €75 per Team and €90 per Final.

According to the ranking list of the competitions and Final, the ESC Secretary will send an invoice for the respective amount for the number of athletes to the organizing Federation.

4.3. Team Competition

At any qualification competition, there will also be a team competition in each discipline. Before the competition, if any Federation has more than 3 athletes in a discipline, the team leader must nominate the members of team to the competition organizer. The organizer will give medals to the top three teams. The team score will be computed from the individual team members qualification score.

5. CALENDAR

The Lapua European Cup 25m Center Fire Pistol and Standard Pistol consists of four (4) qualification competitions (approximately every 5 weeks from April until August). The Final takes place in September or October.

Any National Federation wishing to organize a Lapua European Cup 25m competition must submit its application to the Secretary General of the ESC a minimum of at least 3 weeks before Final of the previous year.

When composing the calendar for the Cup, the ESC in conjunction with the organizing Federation will try to avoid overlapping of ISSF World Cups and Championships, CISM Championships, etc.

The calendar will be distributed to all ESC member Federations and published at the ESC website as early as possible in the current year to enable member Federations to participate.

6. ORGANISATION

6.1 Definition

The Lapua European Cup 25m is conducted by the Pistol Discipline Group of the ESC Technical Committee who will have the sole responsibility for making any decisions concerning the rules and conduct of the competition.

6.2 Publicity

The logo of Lapua must be shown as a banner or a flag in the shooting range and during the award ceremony. The company Lapua will deliver the necessary material to each organizer. The logo of Lapua has to be placed on the invitation, official program, start and ranking lists and at the victory ceremony and is to be clearly shown as the main sponsor.

During the Lapua European Cup 25m (competitions and final) only Lapua ammunition and no other commercially available ammunition is to be visually present. The athletes may use any ammunition brand and the ammunition boxes may be placed on the bench. No ammunition branding of any other manufacturer is to be shown (This includes, but is not limited to, clothing (including hats, visors and headbands) or any equipment or accessories of any kind.

If possible, the organizing Federation should make arrangements to provide Lapua or its local distributor with a support tent at no extra cost.

6.3 Jury members

It is the responsibility of the organizing Federation to provide national jury members and one (1) jury member from one of the participating nations. The jury members serve on a voluntary basis. For the Final, see point 7.4

6.4 Communication

During the competitions, it is the responsibility of the organizing Federation to publish the results on its websites live. The official results list must be sent to the ESC and to the participating Federations immediately after the competition.

The Pistol Discipline Group of the ESC Technical Committee is responsible for updating the Lapua European Cup 25m Final Ranking List on the ESC website.

6.5 Technical meeting

The hosting Federation/Organizing Committees must host a Technical Meeting at each Lapua European Cup 25m qualification competition and at the Lapua European Cup 25m Final.

6.6 Program

1st day:	Morning:	Arrival of Delegations
	Afternoon:	PET Center Fire Pistol Equipment Control and Pre-Event Training 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs PET Precision stage Technical Meeting
2nd day:	Morning:	Center Fire Pistol Competition Precision and Rapid Fire stages Victory Ceremony
	Afternoon:	25m Pistol Mixed Pairs Precision stage PET Standard Pistol Equipment Control and Pre-Event Training 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs PET Rapid stage

3rd day: Morning: **Standard Pistol**
Competition
25m Pistol Mixed Pairs Rapid stage
Victory Ceremony

Departure of Delegations

6.6 Training

Only Pre-Event Training during the four competitions and the final, no official or unofficial training will be organized.

PET of Center Fire Pistol consists of six (6) series precision and six (6) series rapid fire, no sighting shots.

PET of Standard Pistol consists of two (2) series in 150 seconds, two (2) series in 20 seconds and six (6) series in 10 seconds. No sighting shots.

PET of 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs consists of four (4) series precision and four (4) series rapid fire, no sighting shots.

6.8. Tie-Breaking Rule for the competitions and the final of the Lapua European Cup 25m

All tied scores will be broken by the highest number of inner tens followed by the highest score of the last ten shot series working backward by 10-shot series in full ring scoring (no decimals) until the tie is broken. If any ties remain, scores will be compared on a shot-by-shot basis, beginning with the last shot and then the next to the last shot, etc.

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7. LAPUA EUROPEAN CUP 25m FINAL

7.1 Specification

The Lapua European Cup 25m Final will take place when the qualification competitions and the ECH / WCH of the season are completed.

All ESC Member Federations have the right to organize the Lapua European Cup 25m Final.

The Pistol Discipline Group of the ESC Technical Committee in conjunction with the organizing Federation will decide the dates and location of the Final. The Final range must have a capacity of a minimum of 20 firing points.

The invitations to participants in the Final are sent to the Federations of the athletes by the organizing Federation of the Final.

There will be no Team Event in CFP and STDP

7.2 Conditions for participation

The following participants may participate in the Lapua European Cup 25m Final:

1. The first four (4) ranked athletes of last year's Lapua European Cup 25m Final.
2. The first four (4) ranked athletes of each Lapua European Cup 25m of the current year.
3. If an athlete has already qualified for the final, the next ranked athlete (fifth, etc.) is allowed to participate (this is equal to the ISSF quota place system).
4. In each discipline a maximum of 20 athletes is allowed.
5. If a qualified athlete cannot participate in the Final, the Host federation can nominate 1 athlete if there are no qualified athletes from host country, then the first ranked athlete on the waiting list can participate in the Final and then the second, third athlete, etc.
6. A waiting list of athletes will be kept by ESC which has the following ranking: from each four (4) competitions the next five (5) not qualified athletes/Pairs for the Final. On the waiting list, the ranking is based on the score of the athlete during those competitions. That means that the athlete with the highest result will be on the first place on the waiting list and so on. The waiting list will be published on the ESC Website. If athlete from the waiting list qualifies for Final in next qualification round, the waiting list for past will not be revised.
- 7. If after taking into account 1-6 above, and there are insufficient athletes to make a final of 20 athletes, then the organizing Federation may invite any athlete to take part in a final whether or not they have taken part in a qualifying round that year although preference should first be given to those athletes who have taken part in that years qualifying rounds.**
- 8. In 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs the Best Mixed Team from Each qualification Tournament will qualify for Final competition and Winner of last year final. Additionally first 3 teams from waiting list will qualify automatically.**
- 9. In Mixed pairs event maximum of 8 pairs is allowed.**
10. If a Mixed Pair has already qualified for the final, the next ranked Mixed Pair (third, etc.) is allowed to participate (this is equal to the individual system system).

7.3 Technical Delegate and Jury Members

One person (holder of a valid ISSF A or B Judge's License) will have the responsibility as Technical Delegate and Chairperson of the Jury and this person will be designated by the ESC Presidium and will supervise the Final of the Lapua European Cup 25m. The organizing Federation must cover the travel expenses to and from the competition, hotel accommodation, meals and local transportation.

Competition Jury

A competition jury composed of the above-mentioned Chairperson and two members will be appointed to supervise the competition.

The two jury members must be nominated by the organizing Federation.

Jury of Appeal

The Jury of Appeal consists of at least three persons. The Jury of Appeal will be determined by participating nations during the technical meeting.

7.4 Entries

The entries for the Final are described in point 7.2.

The ESC is responsible for sending the list of qualified athletes for the Final to the organizing Federation.

The organizing Federation is responsible for sending all relevant information and forms (entry forms, information about entry fees, customs formalities, transportation, list of hotels, program and shooting schedule,) to the Federations of the qualified athletes.

If Finals will not be fully occupied a week before competition, organizer could invite athletes of organizing country to participate. Those athletes should be first those, who has been taken part to current year qualification rounds.

11. AWARDS AND RESULTS

11.1 Titles

The winner will be acclaimed:

Winner of the Lapua European Cup 25m Center Fire Pistol,
Winner of the Lapua European Cup 25m Standard Pistol
Winner of the Lapua European Cup 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs

11.2 Trophies

A trophy symbolizing the European Cup 25m shooting individual events will be entrusted to the winner for one year. If the same athlete wins the trophy in three consecutive years, he or she will be the owner of the trophy for ever. The trophy has to be handed over to the organizing federation of the Final not later than on the day of the last event.

11.3 Medals

Medals will be awarded to the three (3) highest ranked athletes/Mixed Teams in each discipline. The hosting Federation will provide the medals.

11.4 Prize money in the Final

The athlete in the first place in each discipline (Center Fire Pistol and Standard Pistol) will receive EUR 2400.00 each.

The athlete in the second place in each discipline (Center Fire Pistol and Standard Pistol) will receive EUR 800.00 each.

The athlete in the third place in each discipline (Center Fire Pistol and Standard Pistol) will receive a voucher valued EUR 800.00 for Lapua products.

The prize money in the final will be provided by NAMMO LAPUA Oy.

The Mixed Pair in the first place in discipline 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs will receive EUR 1200.00 .

The Mixed Pair in the second place in discipline 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs will receive EUR 400.00

The Mixed Pair in the third place in discipline 25m Pistol Mixed Pairs will receive Lapua products.

The prize money and products in the Final will be provided by NAMMO LAPUA Oy.

11.5 European Records

European records may only be recognized in Lapua European Cup 25m Final. A record setting score will be officially recognized and recorded in each of the two (2) disciplines:

25m Center Fire Pistol Open

25m Standard Pistol Open

12. MEDIA

The organizing Federations must promote the Lapua European Cup 25m and the Lapua European Cup 25m Final through all relevant media.

13. RESPONSIBILITIES OF ESC MEMBER FEDERATIONS

The member federations with qualified athletes/Mixed Pairs must confirm their participation to 25m European Lapua Cup manager in 2 weeks after their athletes have qualified for final.

The organizing Federation of the Final is responsible for the distribution of all relevant information and invitations to the ESC Federations of athletes qualified for the Final.

The ESC member Federations are required to confirm the participation of their athletes in the Lapua European Cup 25m Final.

14. APENDIX 1 (25m Pistol MIXED PAIRS EVENT)

Description of the format and of the competition rules for 25m Lapua European Cup

1. GENERAL

a) Number of stages

The 25m pistol Mixed Pairs event consists of one stage:

- Competition

b) Composition of the Pairs

Two (2) athletes (1 female, 1 male) from same Nation.

c) Targets and Ranges

25m range must be used for all relays.

Qualification takes place in the Qualification range.

d) Scoring

Full ring (integer) scoring.

e) Team scores and rankings

The Mixed Pairs scores and rankings of the Pairs is based on the total scores of the two (2) Pair members in each stage.

f) Event is held if there are minimum 5 Mixed Pairs from 2 countries

2. COMPETITION

Consists of two parts: Precision stage and Rapid stage

Firing-points for each Mixed Pair are allocated randomly by software.

Members of each Pair shoot next to each other. Women takes FP on the left side.

Each athlete fires independently of their Mixed Pair member.

a) Precision Stage

Athletes will be called to the line thirteen (13) minutes before the scheduled Start time of the event.

Preparation time: three (3) minutes.

1 sighting series of 5 shots in 5 (five) minutes

Each athlete will fire 4 competition series of 5 shots in time limit of 5 minutes per series (20shots).

Mixed Pairs which do not shoot precision stage cannot shoot in rapid stage.

b) Rapid stage

Athletes will be called to the line thirteen (13) minutes before the scheduled Start time of the event.

Preparation time: three (3) minutes.

1 sighting series of 5 shots in 7/3s rapid mode

Each athlete will fire 4 competition series of 5 shots in 7/3s rapid mode (20shots)

The scores of each Mixed Pair member will be added together and the Mixed Pair results will be ranked.

c) Tied scores

Ties will be broken by applying ISSF Rule 6.15.

d) Malfunctions

Malfunctions will be governed according to ISSF Rules. 1 Malfunction per each Mixed Pair member per stage.

e) Irregular or disputed matters

Will be decided by the Jury according to ISSF Technical Rules.