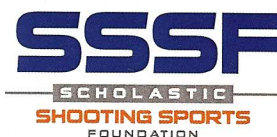


SCHOLASTIC CLAY
TARGET PROGRAM (SCTP)

FAST FACTS



PROGRAM GOALS:

- Teach the safe and responsible handling and use of firearms.
- Provide a supportive team-based environment using the shooting sports as the catalyst for teaching life lessons and skills that emphasize positive character traits and citizenship values.
- Introduce young shooters to a sport that can be enjoyed for a lifetime, one that offers a level playing field, and one that offers all family members an opportunity to enjoy together.

MISSION STATEMENT:

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation is an educational-athletic organization that exists to introduce school-age youths to the shooting sports and to facilitate their continued involvement by providing, promoting, and perpetuating opportunities to safely and enjoyably participate and compete in a high-quality, team-based sport led by trained adult coaches focused on enhancing the personal growth and development of their athletes.

VISION STATEMENT:

To continue to be recognized and respected as the leader in the youth development shooting sports programs.

PROGRAM SPONSOR:

The Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation, Inc. (SSSF), a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, is the National Governing Body (NGB) for the Scholastic Clay Target Program (SCTP). SCTP was started by the National Shooting Sports Foundation in 2001.

PROGRAM SCOPE:

The SCTP offers participation in the American disciplines of Trap, Skeet and Sporting Clays and the Olympic disciplines of Bunker Trap, Trap Doubles and International Skeet.

PROGRAM FOCUS:

TEAMS! FUN!

The SCTP is a *team-based* program, focusing on youth development. Participation in SCTP should be fun and there is no place for a win at all cost attitude.

TEAM SUPERVISION:

An adult Volunteer Head Coach leads each team. Volunteer State Advisors provide support for in-state activities and support to their Volunteer Head Coaches and Assistant Coaches. Full time Directors of Development coordinate the program and they are assisted by National Coach Trainers and the National Training Team. National Coach Trainers are responsible for coach development and training.

REGISTRATION FEES:

The registration fee for State Advisors, Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches and Adult Volunteers is \$30.00. This fee covers the cost of liability insurance, the background check, and the on-line **Double-Goal Coach Course**. All adults working directly with SCTP athletes must be registered with the SSSF. To be covered by SSSF liability insurance a volunteer must be registered with the National Program. The membership fee for each registered athlete, including Collegiate, is \$20.00. The fee covers the cost of insurance and awards. Each athlete must be registered by their coach.

PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY:

Students must be enrolled in primary/elementary, middle, junior or senior high school or an equivalent home school program to be eligible to participate. College athletes must be enrolled and attending an accredited college, or university. All athletes must be academically eligible to participate in their school's extra-curricular sports programs. High School athletes must not have graduated or reached their 19th birthday by September 1st of the current shooting year. See the Association of College Unions International (ACUI) for college eligibility—www.ACUI.org.

SCTP FAST FACTS

COMPETITIVE UNIT:

An SCTP Team is defined as one or more individual athletes registered by and guided by a Head Coach. There is no limit to the number of athletes, and a team may compete in one or all disciplines. This includes both the American Style and Olympic Style events. The SCTP is broken into competition squads. The squad size for American Trap is five (5). The squad size for American Skeet, Sporting Clays, and the Olympic disciplines Bunker Trap, Trap Doubles and International Skeet is three (3). There is no limit to the number of members on a team roster or to the number of squads a team may field.

COMPETITIVE DIVISIONS:

- Rookie Division: 5th graders and below (state law permitting)
- Intermediate Division: Grades 6-8
- Senior Division: Grades 9-12
- Collegiate Division: Based on ACUI Eligibility

COMPETITIVE LEVELS:

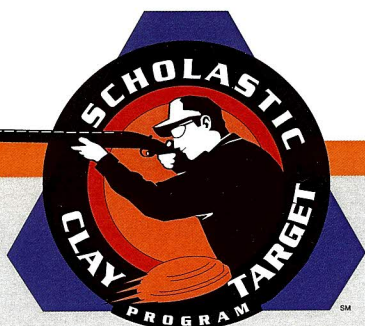
SCTP will certify SCTP State Team Championships and will conduct SCTP National Team Championships in each of the disciplines. State Advisors and National Training Team Members will assist in organizing local and regional SCTP shoots.

COMING INFORMATION:

Complete information on eligibility, registration procedures, awards and more will be available in the *Scholastic Shooting Sports Foundation's OFFICIAL HANDBOOK*. Look for it on the Web at www.sssfonline.org, along with athlete and team registration forms.

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