

## SHOOTING SPORT INFORMATION GUIDE

### Shooting

A sport of intense concentration and steady precision, shooting requires calm under pressure and absolute control. Competitors will aim for bullseyes in events that test focus and accuracy.

### Competition dates

Shooting competition for the Open Masters Games Abu Dhabi 2026 (OMGAD2026) offers each athlete the opportunity to compete in multiple shooting disciplines at the Games including Air Rifle, Air Pistol, Rifle, Rapid Fire Pistol and Clay Target.

The provisional Shooting competition schedule for OMGAD2026 is as follows:

	February 7 Saturday	February 8 Sunday	February 9 Monday	February 10 Tuesday	February 11 Wednesday	February 12 Thursday	February 13 Friday	February 14 Saturday	February 15 Sunday
Clay Target									
Pistol									
Rifle									

All dates and times are subject to change, pending final entries received. A detailed schedule by event for each discipline will be developed throughout 2025.

### Competition venue: Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club

 Pin Location

### Competition format

The OMGAD2026 Shooting competition consists of six events, and each athlete can select which events to compete in. Due to venue capacity, some events will be limited to a certain number of entries.

In line with the sport-specific rules, an athlete must compete in their designated age group, with your age determined as of 31 December 2026. For example, if you are 39 during Games time but have turned 40 by 31 December 2026, you would compete in the 40-49 age category.

The events and age categories for Shooting at OMGAD2026 are as follows:

Discipline	Event	Age Categories
Shooting (Clay Target)	Skeet (125 targets)	Men's: 30+, 40+, 50+,
	ISSF Trap (125 targets)	Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+,
Pistol	10m Air Pistol (M/W)	Men's: 30+, 40+, 50+, 60+, 70+
	25m Rapid Fire Pistol (M)	Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+, 60+, 70+
	25m Pistol (F)	Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+, 60+, 70+
Rifle	50m Rifle Three Positions (M/W)	Men's: 30+, 40+, 50+
	50m Rifle Prone (M/W)	Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+
	10m Air Rifle (M/W)	Men's: 30+, 40+, 50+, 60+, 70+ Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+, 60+, 70+
Para	10m Air Rifle Standing	Men's: 30+, 40+, 50+ Women's: 30+, 40+, 50+
	10m Rifle Prone	
	10m Air Pistol	
	Clay Target Trap	

The respective OMGAD2026 Shooting events will be conducted in line with the competition rules of the International Shooting Sport Federation (ISSF) or as otherwise specified in this document. The ISSF rules and regulations for clothing apply for all events.

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## **IMPORTANT: UAE LAW AND PROCESS FOR ENTRY WITH FIREARMS**

All athletes are required to bring their own firearm, as well as being responsible for obtaining the necessary permits and transportation throughout the Games period.

All athletes are responsible and recommended to confirm any further special requirements with airlines regarding the carriage of firearms.

For International Athletes the following procedures need to be followed:

1. **Obtain an Import Permit:** Apply for a permit to import civilian weapons through the UAE Ministry of Interior's e-service portal. This process typically requires coordination with the event organizers and submission of necessary documentation [Ministry of Interior Emirates](#).
2. **Coordinate with Event Organisers:** Engage with the Open Masters Games organisers to ensure compliance with specific event-related protocols for firearm handling and storage.
3. **Airport Procedures:** Upon arrival, declare firearms to customs authorities. Firearms will be secured by the police and transported to the event venue. Athletes will not have personal custody of firearms outside the competition premises [fmsc.ae](#)
4. **Ammunition Regulations:** Importing personal ammunition is prohibited. Event organisers will provide all necessary ammunition for the competition [Khaleej Timesfmsc.ae](#).
5. **Firearm Handling During the Event:** Firearms must remain unloaded and secured in appropriate cases when not in use. They should only be handled within designated areas under supervision. After each competition session, firearms must be returned to the secure storage managed by the authorities [fmsc.ae](#)

Participants should follow these recommendations for the Open Masters Games:

- **Early Engagement:** Initiate contact with the Open Masters Games organisers well in advance to facilitate the necessary approvals and logistical arrangements.
- **Documentation:** Ensure all required documents, including import permits and event invitations, are obtained and carried during travel.
- **Compliance:** Strictly adhere to all guidelines provided by UAE authorities and event organisers regarding firearm handling and usage.

For detailed information and to apply for the necessary permits, visit the UAE Ministry of Interior's official e-services portal: Import Permit for Civilian Weapons.

Each athlete competing in Shooting is required to purchase ammunition and **clay targets** for each event entered. Please see costs below:

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Firearm Type	Cost	Ammunition
Shotgun	AED 105	25 Targets + 25 Cartridges
Rifle	AED 86	50 Bullets
Pistol	AED 86	50 Bullets
Air Pistol	AED 60	500 Bullets
Air Rifle	AED 60	500 Bullets

All athletes are responsible and recommended to confirm any further special requirements with airlines regarding the carriage of firearms, and also to familiarise themselves with and comply with any necessary requirements to import the firearm back into their own country.

#### Technical Delegate

The Technical Delegate endorsed by ISSF will be announced in Version 2 of the Guide. The Technical Delegate will oversee the implementation of all sport specific rules and requirements at the Games.

#### Updates

This guide will be updated Version 2 by 1 September 2025. Important additional information will be available at that time. In the meantime, please address all inquiries to: [sports@omgad2026.ae](mailto:sports@omgad2026.ae)

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