

Amendments to the State Hall of Fame

The 2021 Officers have reviewed and implemented rule changes to standardize all future Hall of Fame (shooting excellence) and (Frank DeMeo) inductees. The NJ State Skeet Shooting Association never created a set of firm rules or statistical guidelines/parameters for nominating a NJ skeet shooter to our Hall of Fame. Our goal is to create a minimum standard or combination of standards in order to instill reliability and fairness. Additionally, this process will no longer require a Hall of Fame Subcommittee or any one individual nominating a shooter on his/her behalf. Instead, a shooter may nominate himself or herself based upon the criteria detailed below.

Hall of Fame Frank DeMeo Award

Criteria for Nomination:

1. Served as an Officer for 4 years. Shot a minimum of 40,000 registered targets. Won at least 1 NJ State title. A minimum age of 40. Must be voted on by the current officers during the calendar year that the nomination was submitted.
2. Served as an Officer for 6 years. Shot a minimum of 60,000 registered targets. A minimum age of 50. Must be voted on by the current officers during the calendar year that the nomination was submitted.
3. **Gold Standard Achievement:** Served as an officer for 6 years. Shot a minimum of 60,000 targets. Won at least 1 NJ State Title. Minimum age of 50. Automatic induction – no vote necessary or required.

Hall of Fame Shooting Excellence

Criteria for Nomination:

1. Won a minimum of 5 open NJ State championships. Served as an NJSSA officer for 4 years. Shot a minimum of 60,000 lifetime registered targets. A minimum age of 50. Must be voted on by the current officers during the calendar year that the nomination was submitted.
2. Won a minimum of 7 open NJ State championships. Served as an NJSSA officer for 2 years. Shot a minimum of 40,000 lifetime registered targets. A minimum age of 40. Must be voted on by the current officers during the calendar year that the nomination was submitted.
3. **Gold Standard Achievement:** A Grand Slam champion who has won a minimum of 10 open NJ State Championships. Has won at least one championship in each discipline (12ga-20ga-28ga-410 bore-Doubles-HOA). Shot a minimum of 40,000 targets. Automatic induction – no vote necessary or required.

Nomination Process

The amended Hall of Fame criteria will take effect during the month of January of every year. All applicants considering nomination must contact an NJSSA officer, preferably via email, and if necessary via U.S. mail. The written document or email must contain specific information (see required information below). A maximum of two shooters will be considered each calendar year during the month of January (NO EXCEPTIONS). If more than two shooters apply, the first two shooters to submit their requests for nomination will be accepted for consideration, and this will be determined by the date and time on the email or by the postmark on the envelope. All applicants are responsible for submitting legible information which is completed in a format as detailed below and in chronological order. A shooter who does not provide sufficient documentation, provides information that cannot be verified, or who is voted down will be notified by the NJSSA in writing. There will be no appeal process.

Required Information:

1. Name
2. NSSA number
3. Category requested: Frank DeMeo or Shooting Excellence
4. State if you are nominating yourself for a Gold Standard Achievement
5. Provide all the supporting documentation as it relates to your Hall of Fame selection (See #3). Explain in detail which officer position you held, specific years you served, your responsibilities and accomplishments. List each NJ gun championship(s) with gauge and date.

The current Officers will take part in reviewing and verifying all documentation provided. For those nominations requiring a vote, a total of four voting members must be present consisting of Officers, and if necessary club chairmen. Only a majority vote is necessary for nomination, not a unanimous vote. Shooters vying for a Gold Standard nomination will have their documents undergo the same scrutiny but will not require a vote. For all those who were successfully nominated into the Hall of Fame, the NJSSA will provide a letter to the individual signed by the NJSSA President and Officers stating that a plaque will be purchased for display and presentation. This plaque will be hung on the Hall of Fame board at Joint Base. A shooter may request his or her own individual plaque which may be purchased at the shooter's expense. Each successful nominee will be documented by way of NJSSA minutes and posted on the NJSSA website.