

HISTORY

The descendant of a line of ancestors going back to the Middle Ages, the French Union of Shooting Associations (Union des Sociétés de Tir de France) was created in 1886. After the merging of several closely linked associations within the USTF, the French Shooting Sports Federation (Fédération Française de Tir) was founded in 1967. This non-profit making association has been officially recognised as serving the public good since 1971.

THE FRENCH SHOOTING SPORTS FEDERATION

The French Shooting Sports Federation acts on behalf of the Ministry of Sports. It is an active member of CNOSEF (French National Olympic and Sports Committee - Comité National Olympique et Sportif Français) and of CPSF (French National Paralympic and Sports Committee - Comité National Paralympique et Sportif Français). Its president is currently Hugues SENGER and its National Senior Manager Gilles MULLER.

SHOOTING SPORTS AT THE OLYMPICS

- London Olympic Games, 2012 : 2 medals. France ranked 7th.
- Rio Olympic Games, 2016 : 2 medals, 11 french shooters. France ranked 8th.
- Tokyo 2020 : 1 gold medal . France ranked 6th.
- Paris 2024 : 1 silver medal at the Olympics. 1 gold, 1 silver and 1 bronze medal at the Paralympics.

AFFILIATIONS

The French Shooting Sports Federation is affiliated to the following international federations:

- IAU Internationale Armbrustschutzen Union
- IPC International Paralympic Committee
- IMSSU International Metallic Silhouette Shooting Union
- IPSC International Practical Shooting Confederation
- ISSF International Shooting Sport Fédération
- MLAIC Muzzle Loaders Associations International Committee
- WBSF World Benchrest Shooting Federation

12 DISCIPLINES

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| Crossbow | Running target | Metallic Silhouettes |
| Historic Firearms | Shooting Schools | Shooting with military firearms |
| Bench Rest | Para-shooting | Shotgun |
| Rifle | Pistol | Practical Shooting |

CHAMPIONSHIPS

More than 130 types of events of which 15 are Olympic and 13 Paralympic. 26 championships organised in France each year. Over 4,000 participants in the French Championship for 10 meters shooting, and more than 2,000 for the Shooting Schools Championship (shooters plus supervisors). The next European championship 25/50/300/RT and shotgun will take place in France. The CNTS has ever welcome 2 WSPS Word Cup quotas and the 2022 world championship Running Target.

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

- 16 Olympic medals since 1972 : 4 Golds, 8 Silvers and 4 Bronzes.
- 3 Paralympic medals since 2024 : 1 Gold, 1 Silver and 1 Bronze.
- 81 individuals medallists at the World Championships since 1972 : 29 Golds, 24 Silvers 28 Bronzes.
- 241 individuals World Cup medallists since 1986 : 86 Golds, 72 Silvers 83 Bronzes.
- 19 Crystal Gobles since 1986.



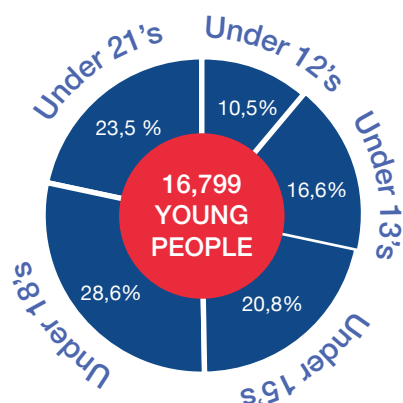
Several years of significant progress

289,730 Members*

28 Regional Leagues

* 31st August 2025

➤ Young people within the Federation



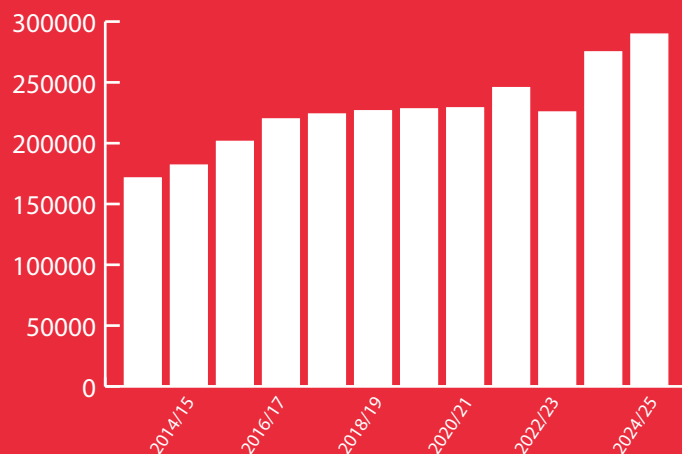
➤ Women within the Federation

The French Shooting Sports Federation is willing to increase female Shooting Sports practice. Its Sports Policy includes a Plan for Feminisation focused on five main axis: access to decision-making bodies, practicing increase, high performance sport, arbitration and technical coaching. The number of women practicing Shooting Sports is around 11,9%. Among top sportspersons, they represent 45% of the population.

➤ Para-shooting

Since January 1st, 2017, the French Shooting Sports Federation integrated para-shooters, with appropriate delegation of responsibilities from the Ministry for Sport. It is now in charge of four main families of events: Pistol, Rifle, Shotgun and Visually Impaired.

➤ Number of members



9 388 Instructors

2 285 Referees

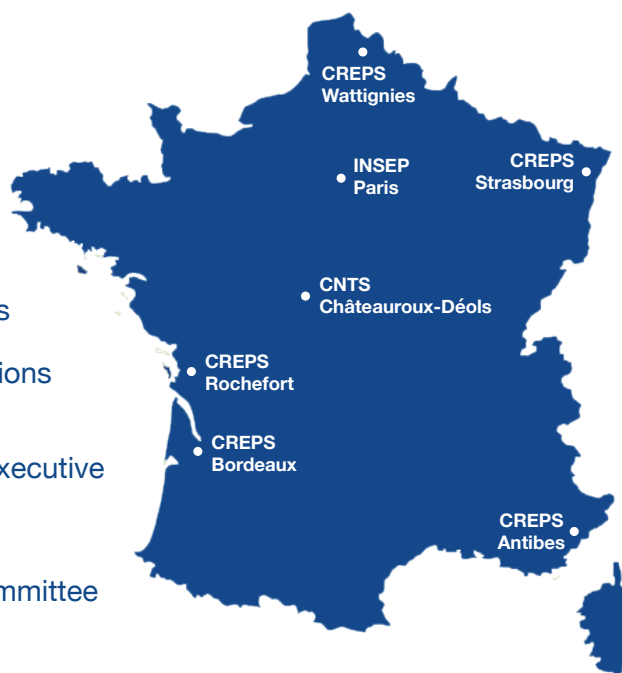
1 649 Sports club

350 High level shooters

31 National Commissions

42 Members of the Executive Committee

14 Members of the Federal Committee



➤ 7 centres of excellence in France



RIFLE

Antibes - Paris - Rochefort
Strasbourg - Wattignies



PISTOL

Bordeaux - Rochefort



SHOTGUN

Bordeaux



PARA-SHOOTING

Châteauroux-Déols
INSEP - Bordeaux



Our national team has taken part in ISSF competitions for many years. France is in the top ten nations for medal standing on ISSF World championship and ISSF World Cup.

RESULTS

MEDAL STANDING WORLD CUPS BY NATION					
Rank	Nation	Year	Gold	Silver	Total
1	CHN - People's Republic of China	1986 - 2024	345	308	904
2	USA - United States of America	1986 - 2024	227	207	636
3	ITA - Italy	1986 - 2024	204	169	552
4	GER - Germany	1991 - 2024	176	132	480
5	RUS - Russian Federation	1993 - 2022	159	192	512
6	URS - Soviet Union	1986 - 1991	97	83	250
7	FRA - France	1986 - 2024	84	69	233

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MEDAL STANDING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS BY NATION					
Rank	Nation	Year	Gold	Silver	Total
1	URS - Soviet Union	1954 - 1991	257	162	525
2	USA - United States of America	1912 - 2023	217	196	600
3	SUI - Switzerland	1897 - 2023	182	162	479
4	CHN - People's Republic of China	1981 - 2023	142	123	351
5	ITA - Italy	1897 - 2023	133	109	349
6	SWE - Sweden	1913 - 2023	90	117	329
7	RUS - Russian Federation	1994 - 2019	86	79	240
8	FIN - Finland	1914 - 2023	75	100	273
9	FRA - France	1897 - 2023	67	97	274

National Shooting Sports Centre (Centre National de Tir Sportif or CNTS)

The CNTS in Châteauroux-Déols is one of the largest shooting ranges in the world. It has shooting ranges from 10 to 600 meters, with 5 shotgun ranges and 220 shooting lanes for olympic disciplines. Since 2022, the CNTS has its own modular "finals" range at 10, 25 and 50 meters. It is full property of the FFTir.

An ambitious Centre with both a national and an international vocation :

As of today the French National Shooting Sports Centre (CNTS) is on the list of sites able to host the biggest national and international competitions: World Championships, World Cup, European Championships, French Championship etc.

The French National Shooting Sports Center (CNTS) is also at the heart of federal development schemes. It allows the National Technical Committee to organise training modules for the French teams, preparation periods for large sporting events and specific training courses: referees, coaches, doctors, physiotherapists, etc. It will also be accessible to foreign teams.

For the French Shooting Sports Federation, the French National Shooting Sports Centre CNTS represents a home for all shooters. Time slots are regularly reserved for leagues, clubs or even individual members. It is also used from time to time as a tool to enable companies to introduce their employees to the shooting sports.

In 2024, CNTS hosted the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

