

## 2018 Proposed Rule Changes – ALL DISCIPLINES

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### APPENDIX A2: IPSC Recognition

#### 3. Individual Categories:

Categories approved for individual recognition by Division are as follows:

- (a) Lady ..... Competitors of the female gender.
- (b) Junior ..... Competitors who are under the age of ~~18~~ 21 on the first day of the match.
- (c) Senior ..... Competitors who are over the age of 50 on the first day of the match.
- (d) Super Senior ..... Competitors who are over the age of 60 on the first day of the match. A Super Senior has the option of electing to shoot in Senior Category, but not in both. If there are insufficient competitors for Super Senior Category to be recognized, all competitors registered in this Category will automatically be transferred to Senior Category.

The recent reduction of the Junior category age limit has drastically reduced the number of Junior category competitors in matches. In many countries the age limit for gun ownership is 18 years, which severely limits younger competitors from participating. The sport will benefit from having younger shooters continue in the sport after their teen years and returning to the Junior age category definition before 2015 would be a step towards accomplishing this. The proposal is to revert the Junior category age limit to what it was in the 2012 rules (changed to under 18 as of the 2015 rules).