

2024 Early Bird Sports Expo 3-D Competition

Rules and Regulations

General Rules

- All shooters must report to the check-in desk at least 15 minutes before their scheduled shooting time.
- You should be available for Sunday's final shoot-off, if not, please let the Bloomsburg Archery Club know by email, Facebook message or at the show when you come to shoot your qualifying round.
- All 3-D targets will be marked yardage.
- Rangefinders are permitted.
- All shooters have a maximum of 1 minute to shoot their arrow once they step up to their designated station marker.
- Both glue in and screw in field/practice points are permitted.
- All broadheads are PROHIBITED. If a shooter is caught shooting a broadhead, that shooter will automatically be withdrawn and disqualified of the competition immediately and will not be allowed to continue shooting for the remainder of the competition.
- There will be six stations with four spots in each. Each station will have up to four shooters
- In each group of up to four shooters, a scorekeeper, who is a non-shooter, will accompany the group to each target.
- Two of the four shooters in each group will be scorekeepers.
- Each shooter will have two scorecards.
- The scorekeeper(s) will call out the scores upon retrieving arrows at each target.
- No arrows shall be pulled until the scorekeeper says to pull the arrows.
- If a shooter pulls his/her arrow before the scorekeeper announces to pull the arrows, that shooter will receive a zero for that target and CANNOT DISPUTE THE SCORE.
- All range captain calls are final. No exceptions.
- The scoring will be following the IBO scoring standards.
 - An "11" ring consisting of a circle centered within the 10 ring.
 - A "10" ring consisting of a circle inside the vital area.
 - A "8" ring, or vital area, that roughly approximates the heart, lung, and liver area of the appropriate animal.
 - The remainder of the animal shall be considered a "body", a score of "5", except as set out in the paragraph below.
 - An arrow embedded in the horn or antler of an animal, not touching body color, is considered a miss and is scored as a zero, "0". Targets with legs or hooves of a different color than the main body will still be considered as body color for scoring.
 - Some targets have material surrounding the actual outline of a target animal. This additional material will NOT be counted for score.
 - If an arrow is touching the line of the next higher score, that shooter will receive the next higher score.
- A shooter will have the opportunity to earn up to 10 additional points to his/her score. Three steel targets will be setup at the end of the 24-target course. The first steel target will earn you 2 points. The second steel target will earn you 3 points. The third steel target will earn you 5 points.
 - If a shooter wishes to participate in adding points to his/her score by shooting the steel targets, the shooter must pay a fee of \$10.
 - 50% of each \$10 for the steel target will be donated to the Pennsylvania Wounded Warriors, a non-profit organization.
 - The other 50% will be divided up between the top 3 shooters in a separate competition held on Sunday.

Tied Scores

- During the qualification round, if a tie score happens, the shooter who shot a center “11” last will be placed higher in scoring bracket.
- If a tie score happens during the finals, a sudden death shoot off will proceed. The shooter with the higher score during the shoot off will be placed higher in the scoring bracket.

Steel Target Final Shoot Off Rules

- Every shooter will have only two arrows on hand with them for the final shoot off.
- All shooters will shoot through each successive round until all have successfully advanced onto the next round or until a shooter has missed both his arrows, therefore being knocked out of competition.
- Competition continues until there is one shooter standing.
- First place will receive 50% of the cash prize.
- Second place will receive 30% of the cash prize.
- Third place will receive 20% of the cash prize.

Classes and Regulations

- Open
 - Regulations
 - No restrictions, EXCEPT no lock backs.
 - Male
 - Female
 - Senior (Optional Class 50+)
 - A shooter may opt for the senior division, but may not shoot in either the male or female division.
- Bowhunter
 - Regulations
 - No limit on the number of stabilizers. Each stabilizer must not exceed 12 inches of length from the point of attachment to the bow. This includes any quick disconnect or any other type of additional attachment the stabilizer must “connect” to in order to be connected to the bow.
 - All pins must not be moved after the shooters first shot.
 - No limit on number of shooting pins.
 - A clarifier in the peep sight is permitted.
 - No lenses will be allowed in any sight scope.
 - Male
 - Female
 - Senior (Optional Class 50+)
 - A shooter may opt for the senior division, but may not shoot in either the male or female division.
- Traditional (Recurve and Longbow)
 - Youth up to 16
 - Regulations
 - No sights.
 - No stabilizers.
 - Only finger release.
 - One and only one adult may accompany each youth shooter during the competition.

- Said adult may only assist the youth shooter in directing him/her to which correct target to shoot at.
 - Adult 17+
 - Regulations
 - No restrictions.
 - No sights.
 - No stabilizers
 - Only finger release.
- Youth 13-16
 - Regulations
 - No restrictions, EXCEPT no lock backs.
 - One and only one adult may accompany each youth shooter during the competition.
 - Said adult may only assist the youth shooter in directing him/her to which target to shoot at.
- Youth Up to 12
 - Regulations
 - No restrictions, EXCEPT no lock backs.
 - One and only one adult may accompany each youth shooter during the competition.
 - Said adult may only assist the youth shooter in directing him/her to which target to shoot at.
- Crossbow
 - Up to 16
 - Regulations
 - One and only one adult may accompany each youth shooter during the competition.
 - Said adult may help the shooter in “cocking” the crossbow.
 - Said adult may only assist the youth shooter in directing him/her to which target to shoot at.
 - A single leg assistance/shooting stick is permitted during competition. A bipod, tripod, or any other stabilizing device having more than one point of contact with the ground is prohibited.
 - Said adult may help the youth shooter in setting up the shooting stick. But once the crossbow is placed on the assistance/shooting stick and the shooter is starting to aim, the adult must release his/her hands from the stick.
 - If said adult does not release his/her hand off of the assistance/shooting stick, the shooter will receive a zero for that target.
 - Adult 17+
 - Regulations
 - All shooters must shoot their crossbow from the “freehand” position.
 - Aiming sticks or assistance sticks are PROHIBITED.