



2016 TOURNAMENT RULES

Kansas Secretary of State 6th Ad Astra Archery Tournament



A joint effort with the Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism

Date of the Archery Tournament: Saturday, **April 30**, 2016 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

⊙ **Alternate date** in case of rain or high wind: Sunday, **May 1**, 2016 beginning at 9:00 a.m.

⊙ For weather decision if close call: craig.mccullah@sos.ks.gov or (785) 249-4661

Location of the Archery Tournament:

⊙ Outdoors at **MacLennan Park**, south of and adjacent to Cedar Crest (governor's residence), north side of SW 6th Avenue just west of SW Fairlawn Road, Topeka, KS

⊙ **Directions** from **East** of Topeka: Take I-70 Exit 357A (Fairlawn Exit), drive south (left) on SW Fairlawn Road, at the stop light on SW 6th Avenue drive west (right), at the first right drive north (right) into parking lot, which turns east (right, parallel to SW 6th Avenue).

⊙ **Directions** from **West** of Topeka: Take I-70 Exit 356 (Wanamaker Exit), on SW Wanamaker Road drive north (right), on SW 6th Avenue drive east (right), at the third left drive north (left) into the parking lot, which turns east (right, parallel to SW 6th Avenue).

T-Shirts Available:

⊙ One shirt for the archer is covered by the registration fee.

⊙ **Additional shirts** may be ordered at **\$15** each using the registration form and paid by check or money order enclosed with the form. The additional shirts payment may be included in the same check or money order with the registration fees.

⊙ All T-shirts must be picked up at the tournament and will not be shipped.

⊙ In the event of emergency, T-shirts not picked up at the tournament may be picked up at the Secretary of State's office in person by appointment.

Who May Participate:

⊙ The tournament competition is open to all archers who:

a) are in grades Kindergarten through 12th grade by the date of the tournament, and

b) have received archery training, and

c) have been trained with the NASP[®] curriculum in school (or have been trained with another archery curriculum and get NASP[®] tournament rules instruction at this tournament), and

d) have **registered** and paid the **\$15 fee** for the tournament **received by April 7**, 2016.

No T-shirt will be ordered if registration is received after the deadline.

⊙ The public may observe and enjoy the festivities at no charge, including the Learn-to-Shoot area where instructors will assist one-on-one.

Tournament Times and Competitive Flight Schedule:

⊙ **Check-in** will begin at **8:30 a.m.**

⊙ **Equipment inspection** will begin at **8:45 a.m.** and will be available until all archers have checked in. Have equipment in good working order to prevent delays.

⊙ **NASP[®] tournament rules instruction** will begin at **8:45 a.m.**, required only for participants with archery training who have not learned the NASP[®] curriculum.

⊙ **Flights:**

a) The first flight will begin at 9:15 a.m.

b) All archers will compete as individuals, not on teams.

Bows - Tournament Rules:

- ⊙ Archers and coaches must check every bow for compliance before flight time.
- ⊙ All bows must be on bow racks for range official inspection before shooting begins.
- ⊙ Once shooting begins no bows may be taken behind the waiting line, without range official approval.
- ⊙ Archers may bring their own NASP® bows that meet the equipment specifications below. A number of “loaner” bows will be available for use for those who choose not to bring their own equipment or in case of equipment failures.

Bows - Mandatory NASP® Equipment Specifications:

- ⊙ Only the stock (original), unmodified Genesis™ bow approved for NASP®
- ⊙ No sight or sight-mark on the bow
 - a) Camouflage bow only if the face of the riser window is covered with tape or paint to prevent camouflage lines serving as sight-marks (Range officials will not cover sight marks.)
 - b) Bow personalized by painting, stickers, etc. only as long as no sighting aids
- ⊙ Only thread knots or heat shrink nock locators (1 or 2). No brass nock locators. Instructions for tying on a nock locator are available at www.nasparchery.com
- ⊙ No draw stops or stabilizers
- ⊙ “After-market” bowstring and cables only if the same approximate length as original
- ⊙ Only original and unmodified cable guard, slide, wheel, cam, bearings, riser, arrow rest, and limbs

Arrows - Tournament Rules:

- ⊙ Tournament officials will provide 5 arrows (and replacements as needed) in each archer’s ground quiver.
- ⊙ Only arrows and arrow components approved for use in the NASP® National Tournament allowed
- ⊙ Personal arrows may be used but must:
 - a) meet standards outlined below,
 - b) be uniquely marked to identify the archer’s arrow,
 - c) be placed in provided ground quivers, and
 - d) be inspected by range officials prior to the beginning of the flight.

Arrows - Mandatory NASP® Equipment Specifications:

- ⊙ Only the standard Easton Genesis 1820 full length aluminum arrow
- ⊙ Only NASP® standard arrow nocks (glued on a swaged end of the arrow shaft)
- ⊙ Only NASP® standard arrow points (glue-in, cone shaped and weighing 60 grains)
- ⊙ Only soft plastic arrow vanes, 2.8” long and no more than .5” in height and attached to the shaft with a straight off set of approximately 1.5 degrees
- ⊙ Only 3 vanes on the arrow
- ⊙ Marks allowed on arrow vanes for purposes of identification
- ⊙ Marked, crested, or taped above the mid-point (towards the nock) for purposes of identification allowed on arrow shaft

Accessories - Tournament Rules:

- ⊙ All bows, arrows, and accessories used by participants may be subjected to inspection, including dismantling at the discretion of tournament officials.
- ⊙ Anyone found using disallowed equipment or modifications will forfeit their awards and be disqualified from the rankings.

- ⊙ Not Allowed: Mechanical release aids

- ⊙ Allowed
 - a) Finger tabs, tape, or gloves to protect draw-hand fingers
 - b) “No-glove” finger protection devices on the bowstring
 - c) Arm guards
 - d) Finger or wrist slings
 - e) Wrist slings attached using the stock bolt that comes with the strap
 - f) “Sims” vibration dampeners on the bow limbs

Accessories - Mandatory NASP® Equipment Specifications:

- ⊙ The bolt must be made of steel or plastic.
- ⊙ The bolt must protrude one inch or less beyond the bow’s accessory hole.

Competitive Format

⊙ **Range Set-Up**

- a) Targets will be the standard NASP® 80 cm FITA face with 10 scoring rings.
- b) Target butts will be placed directly on the ground similar to the height of school butts.
- c) Targets will be attached to the butts approximately 4 inches above the ground.
- d) The target line will be approximately 2 yards or meters from the target butts.
- e) There will be 10 and 15 meter shooting lines for grades 4-12.
- f) There will be 5 and 8 meter shooting lines for grades K-3.
- g) The waiting line will be at least 4 yards or meters beyond the 15 meter shooting line.
- h) A “Coaches Alley” will be delineated between the waiting line and spectators.
- i) Spectators may stand as close as possible behind the waiting line.
- j) One archer will be assigned to each lane.

⊙ **Whistle Signals:** NASP® whistle commands will be used to operate the range.

- a) 5+ whistles for an emergency
- b) 2 whistles to “get bow”
- c) 1 whistle to “shoot”
- d) 3 whistles to “go get arrows”

⊙ **Archers must:**

- a) walk when moving about the range.
- b) remain standing when at the targets scoring and pulling arrows.
- c) avoid more than one archer remaining at the targets when arrows are pulled.
- d) cover points with one hand and grasp the shaft below the vanes with the other when carrying arrows.
- e) pre-draw, draw, and aim in a manner to prevent the arrow from being pointed above the backstop curtain.

⊙ **Order and Distance of Shooting**

- a) Each archer in grades 4-12 will shoot one practice end of 5 arrows at 10 meters and then shoot 3 scoring ends of 5 arrows (15 arrow total) at 10 meters. This will be repeated at 15 meters.
- b) Each archer in grades K-3 will shoot at 5 meters and 8 meters.
- c) Archers will have 2 minutes to shoot each 5-arrow end. An alert will be provided near the conclusion of each end.
- d) An arrow that bounces off the target may be shot again as instructed by range officials.

⊙ **Scoring:**

- a) All arrows must be scored before any arrow or the target’s face is touched.

- b) Beginning in the center of the target, scoring rings are 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, & 1.
- c) An arrow touching the lines is awarded the point higher value.
- d) An arrow that isn't in a scoring ring is awarded "0" points.
- e) The "X" ring in the center of the 10 is simply scored as a 10.
- f) An arrow that "robinhoods" another arrow receives the value of the arrow in the target.
- g) An arrow that skips off the ground and strikes the target is scored where it lands.
- h) An arrow that skips off the ground and bounces off the target is treated as a bounce-out.
- i) Scorecards will be provided at the tournament.
- j) Archers should walk to the target in their lane.
- k) If two archers are shooting in the same lane:
 - o Both scorecards will be on the same score board.
 - o One archer will call arrows he or she shot while the other bubbles in the score of these arrows.
 - o Archers will then reverse roles with the other calling arrows he or she shot while the other bubbles.
 - o If archers cannot agree on an arrow's score, a range official will make the final decision.
- l) If only one archer is shooting he or she will fill in the scorecard and have it verified by the range official.
- m) The scorecard must be signed by the archer and lane-mate or range official at the conclusion of shooting and scoring.
- n) Range officials will gather signed scorecards at the target when each flight is concluded.
- o) Only the student archer and tournament officials will be allowed downrange of the waiting line.

© **Awards**

- a) A plaque will be awarded to the three highest scoring individuals in each division.
- b) Divisions are as follows:
 - o Kindergarten through 3rd grade
 - o 4th through 6th grade
 - o 7th and 8th grade
 - o 9th through 12th grade
- c) Each individual archer who registers and competes will receive a participation medallion and an event T-shirt.

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