



2014 NASP® National & World Tournament

National Tournament: Kentucky Exposition Center -- Louisville, KY -- May 9-10

World Tournament: Alliant Energy Center -- Madison, WI -- July 11-13

Registration Dates & Hotel Information To Be Announced

Rules & Format

1. Participation- All State, Provincial, National, and World Tournaments/Championships

- 1.1. Every archer must attend a school offering NASP® curriculum during standard school hours.
- 1.2. A 'school' for the purposes of participation in NASP® tournaments is a building or set of buildings on the campus where students at that school attend.
 - 1.2.1. For instance, a high school may have 9th grade and 10th-12th grade students on the same campus but in different buildings. This is one school.
 - 1.2.2. In another school all students K-12, 6-12, etc. may be in the same building or buildings on the same campus. This is one school.
 - 1.2.3. If schools with similar names but at separate address such as the 'North Middle School and North Elementary School' even if in the same district, they are separate schools and may not mingle shooters on teams unless shooting up.
 - 1.2.3.1. Except: If elementary grades (4th and 5th) are not in the same school the schools where the two grades are found may combine students to form elementary teams. Example: this could be a school with K-4 and a school combining with a 5-8 or 5-12 school.
 - 1.2.3.2. Except: If middle school grades (6-8) are not in the same school the schools where the three grades are found may combine students to form middle school teams. Example: this could be a K-6 school combining with a 7-8 or 7-12 school.
 - 1.2.3.3. Except: If high school grades (9-12) are not in the same school the schools where the four grades are found may combine students to form high school teams. Example: this could be a school with 9-10 combining with an 11-12 school.
- 1.3. A student who no longer attends a NASP® school due to having moved, promoted, etc. is ineligible to participate in this tournament until/unless the student's new school joins NASP®.
- 1.4. A student who is home-schooled may only participate if the home school has enrolled in NASP® and provides NASP® archery lessons.
 - 1.4.1. EXCEPT: Some home-schooled students receive Physical Education from public or private schools. If a home-schooled student receives NASP® lessons while attending

classes at a NASP® public or private school that student may participate for the home school or the school where the archer receives NASP® classes.

- 1.5. Only students who are in grades 4-12 by the date of the tournament may participate.
 - 1.5.1. Except: A student in 3rd grade may participate if documentation from the Principal is provided to NASP® indicating the student can safely perform all tournament procedures with NASP® specific equipment. **K-2 students are ineligible.**
- 1.6. Competitive Divisions: **Elementary: 4th-5th, Middle: 6th 7th & 8th, & High: 9-12 grades.**
- 1.7. A student at a NASP® school that has graduated early during the current school year may, at the discretion of **school Principal**, be registered to participate.
- 1.8. NASP® archery teams must contain **12-24 students**, at least **4** of which must be of the opposite gender.
- 1.9. If the school is single gender, the required opposite gender participants may come from other NASP® schools in the same city, county, or school district.
- 1.10. If the school contains fewer than 150 students (combination of grades 4-12) the team may be comprised of students from other participating NASP® schools in the same local system.
- 1.11. When building a team for the state or provincial tournament: A student, who by grade would be in a younger division (elementary or middle), may 'shoot up' for a team in an older division.
 - 1.11.1. To 'shoot up' the student must be from the same school or same local system and both schools offer NASP® as part of the school's curriculum.
 - 1.11.2. Unless 'shooting up', students may only shoot on a team at the NASP® school they attend.
- 1.12. NASP® is a school program. Therefore if school administration deems a student unsuited to represent the school, NASP® will abide by the decision. Ineligibility generally occurs when a student has been disciplined or for academic reasons.

2. NASP® National Tournament (National or Nationals) Participation

- 2.1. **All points under #1-1.12 above apply unless otherwise stated below.**
- 2.2. **Once a student has participated on a team (school/division) in the state or provincial tournament, the student's school and division are fixed and must remain unchanged for the National tournament. This rule does not apply to archers who competed as individuals only (not part of a team) in their state or provincial tournament.**
- 2.3. **There is no minimum number of students from the state tournament roster required for the National roster. Team size remains 12-24 students with at least 4 of the opposite gender.**
- 2.4. **Substitutes for the National roster may be students that did not participate in the state tournament but they must be from the same school and in the same division or must meet the requirements for shooting up (see 1.11).**
- 2.5. **A school may register as many teams that qualify at their state or provincial tournament IF the state or province in question allows multiple teams from the same school to participate.**

- 2.6. If a school sends multiple teams in the same division to a state tournament members of those teams may be combined to form a National team in that same division. Team members may be moved between these teams within the same school/division.
- 2.7. Teams and individuals are invited to attend the United States NASP® Nationals according to the Tier's listed below. **Other nations may of course establish scores that are more appropriate for their teams.**
 - 2.7.1. Registration for the National tournament is as follows. When flights are full, registration closes. Tiers will be provided staggered dates to register..
 - 2.7.1.1. Tier 1: 1st place teams from each state/division & 1st-10th place individuals
 - 2.7.1.2. Tier 2: Team scores of ES >2,999, MS >3,199, & HS >3,299
 - 2.7.1.3. Tier 3: Team scores of ES >2,849, MS >3,099, & HS >3,199
 - 2.7.1.4. Tier 4: Team scores of ES >2,699, MS >2,999, & HS >3,099
 - 2.7.1.5. Tier 5: Team Score of ES >2,599, MS >2,899, & HS >2,999

3. NASP® World Championship (World or Worlds) Participation

- 3.1. All points under #1-1.12 above apply unless otherwise stated below.
- 3.2. Once a student has participated on a team (school/division) in the National tournament, the student's school and division are fixed and must remain unchanged for the World tournament. This rule does not apply to archers who competed as individuals only (not part of a team) in their National tournament.
- 3.3. There is no minimum number of students from the National roster required for the World roster. Team size remains 12-24 students with at least 4 of the opposite gender.
- 3.4. Substitutes for the World roster may be students that did not participate in the National tournament but they must be from the same school and in the same division. or must meet the requirements for shooting up (see 1.11).
- 3.5. A school may register as many teams that qualify at their NASP® National tournament IF the nation in question allows multiple teams from the same school to participate.
- 3.6. If a school sends multiple teams in the same division to a National tournament members of those teams may be combined to form a World team in that same division. Team members may also be moved between these teams within the same school/division.
- 3.7. Teams and individuals are invited to attend the NASP® World Championship according to the Tiers listed below. Tiers will be provided staggered dates to register.
 - 3.7.1. Registration for the NASP® World Championship is as follows. When flights are full, registration closes. Registration periods will be opened by Tier numbers.
 - 3.7.1.1. Tier 1: 1st place teams from each country & 1st-20th place individuals
 - 3.7.1.2. Tier 2: Team scores of ES >3,049, MS >3,249, & HS >3,349
 - 3.7.1.3. Tier 3: Team scores of ES >2,849, MS >3,099, & HS >3,199
 - 3.7.1.4. Tier 4: Team scores of ES >2,699, MS >2,999, & HS >3,099

- 3.7.2. 1st placing boys and girls in each division from state and provincial tournaments are also qualified to attend the NASP® World Championship IF they attended the NASP® National tournament.
- 3.8. By tournament administration discretion, the host state for the NASP® World Championship may be offered lower participation scores for its teams. This is because the host state will provide the majority of volunteer officials for the event.
4. **Equipment -- Only equipment specified for use in NASP® may be used in the tournament.**
- 4.1. **Bows:** Only the stock (original) unmodified Genesis™ bow approved for NASP® may be used. All bows must be on bow racks for range official inspection before shooting begins.
- 4.1.1. The Genesis Mini and Pro are not allowed to be used in NASP®.
- 4.1.2. A non-compliant bow must be removed from the competition by the Head Coach until it can be restored to a compliant condition before competition begins or resumes.
- 4.1.3. Only thread knots or heat shrink nock locators are permitted.
- 4.1.3.1. There may be up to one nock locator above and below the arrow nock.
- 4.1.3.2. If using two nock locators the gap between them must be $\leq 1-1.5$ nock widths.
- 4.1.3.3. Brass nock locators are prohibited.
- 4.1.3.4. Instructions for tying on a nock locator are available at www.nasparchery.com.
- 4.1.4. The bow must be sight and sight-mark free.
- 4.1.4.1. Camouflage bows may be used, but the face of the sight window must be covered to prevent camouflage lines serving as sight marks.
- 4.1.4.2. Tape or paint to cover sight marks must remain throughout the competition.
- 4.1.4.3. Archers and coaches should comply with this rule before their flight time.
- 4.1.5. The bow must be free of draw stops or stabilizers.
- 4.1.6. The bowstring and cables may be 'after-market' but of the same approximate length.
- 4.1.7. The standard cable guard, grip, slide, wheel, cam, bearings, riser, and limbs must be **attached to the bow**, original, and unmodified.
- 4.1.8. A bow may be personalized by painting, stickers, etc. but be without sight-marks.
- 4.1.9. The arrow rest must be original and unmodified. The rest arm sleeve may be **original, absent, or replaced with heat shrink tubing similar to the original rest arm sleeve.**
- 4.1.10. Except for malfunction, bows must remain downrange of the waiting line once shooting begins.
- 4.1.11. The bow's draw weight must remain unchanged throughout the flight after the 1st scored arrow is shot at 10 meters.
- 4.1.12. Except for major malfunction the same bow must be used throughout the competition.
- 4.1.13. **Loaner Bows:** Archers are encouraged to bring their own NASP® bows. A few 'loaner' bows will be available in case of equipment failures.

4.2. **Arrows:** Only the original unmodified Easton aluminum 1820 arrows approved for NASP® may be used.

4.2.1. If the archer provides personal arrows they must be official, unmodified NASP® arrows.

4.2.2. Arrow nocks may be the NASP® glue-on or push-in nock or both.

4.2.3. Arrow points must be the NASP® standard; glue-in, cone shaped and weighing 60 grains.

4.2.4. Arrow vanes must be 3 soft plastic, 2.5-3.0" long and no more than .4-.6" in height and attached to the shaft with a straight off-set of approximately 1.5 degrees.

4.2.5. Personal arrows may have vanes marked for identification. The arrow shaft may be marked, crested, or taped above the mid-point (towards the nock) for identification.

4.2.6. **Arrow Supplies:** Tournament officials will provide 5 NASP® arrows (and replacements as needed) in each archer's floor quiver.

4.2.7. If personal arrows are used, a readily accessible supply of replacements must be on hand.

4.3. **Accessories: Very few accessories are allowed in NASP®**

4.3.1. Archers may wear finger tabs, tape, or gloves to protect draw-hand fingers.

4.3.2. 'No-glove' finger-protection devices may be placed on the bowstring but these must be without locator buttons or discs.

4.3.3. Heat shrink tubing may be placed on the bowstring to reduce finger strain but the tubing must cover the entire center serving above and below the nock locator(s).

4.3.4. Archers may wear arm guards and chest protectors.

4.3.5. Finger or wrist slings are allowed. Wrist slings may be attached using the bolt that comes with the strap. The bolt must be made of steel or plastic and must protrude one inch or less beyond the bow's accessory hole.

4.3.6. Mechanical release aids are prohibited except as pre-approved solutions for physically challenged archers.

4.3.7. **Vibration dampening devices may not be placed on any part of the bow.**

4.3.7.1. **Note: Although previously allowed in NASP® they must be removed from bows used in the program and its tournaments. They are an unwarranted expense unaffordable for some schools and students.**

4.4. At official discretion, any bow, arrow, or accessory may be subjected to inspection, including dismantling and weighing. Anyone found using disallowed equipment or modifications will forfeit awards and be disqualified. Disqualification may affect their team's rank.

5. **Competitive Format**

5.1. **Range Set-Up**

5.1.1. Target butts will be placed directly on the floor similar to the height of school butts.

5.1.2. Targets faces (paper) will be NASP® 80 cm FITA face with 10 scoring rings.

5.1.3. Target faces will be attached to the butts approximately 4-6 inches above the floor.

5.1.4. The target line will be approximately 2 yards or meters from the target butts.

- 5.1.5. There will be 10 meter (32' 10") and 15 meter (49' 2") shooting lines.
- 5.1.6. The waiting line will be at least 4-5 yards or meters beyond the 15 meter shooting line.
- 5.1.7. A 'Coaches Alley' will be delineated between the waiting line and spectators.
- 5.1.8. Spectator seating will be placed as close as possible behind the waiting line.
- 5.1.9. Shooting lines will support 5 foot wide shooting lanes accommodating 2 archers per lane
 - 5.1.9.1. Shooters occupying a lane will be from different schools where possible.
 - 5.1.9.2. Solo shooters will be combined where possible to promote integrity.
- 5.2. **Whistle Signals: NASP® whistle commands will be used to operate the range.**
 - 5.2.1. 5+ whistles for an emergency
 - 5.2.2. 2 whistles to 'get bow'
 - 5.2.3. 1 whistle to 'shoot'
 - 5.2.4. 3 whistles to 'go get arrows'
- 5.3. **Arrow Handling and Movement About the Range: NASP® safety rules must be followed.**
 - 5.3.1. Archers must walk when moving about the range.
 - 5.3.2. Archers must have one foot on each side of the shooting line with 'bows on toes' before shooting begins.
 - 5.3.3. The tournament-provided arrow quiver must be placed ON the shooting line in FRONT of the archer.
 - 5.3.4. Shooter and quiver must remain in their half of the assigned lane when on the shooting line.
 - 5.3.5. Archers must remain standing upright on their feet when at the targets pulling arrows.
 - 5.3.6. While both archers may approach the target when scoring, only one archer may remain at the targets when arrows are pulled. The other archer must be safely behind the target line while arrows are being pulled.
 - 5.3.7. Arrow points must be covered with one hand and shafts grasped below the vanes with the other hand when carrying arrows.
- 5.4. **Order of Shooting**
 - 5.4.1. The archer must pre-draw, draw and aim in a manner to keep the arrow pointed safely below the top of the backstop curtain at all times.
 - 5.4.2. The archer must pre-draw, draw, and aim in a manner to keep the arrow pointed towards the targets and away from the floor.
 - 5.4.3. Each archer will shoot one practice end of 5 arrows and 3 scoring ends of 5 arrows at 10 meters.
 - 5.4.4. Each archer will shoot one practice end of 5 arrows and 3 scoring ends of 5 arrows at 15 meters.
 - 5.4.5. Archers will have 2 minutes to shoot each 5-arrow end. An alert will be provided near the conclusion of each end.

- 5.4.6. An arrow that bounces off the target may be shot again as instructed by range officials.
- 5.4.7. A dropped arrow will be left on the floor and replaced by a range official.
- 5.4.8. An arrow that reaches the target line without hitting the target is considered a shot rather than a dropped or bounced-out arrow and will be scored zero points.
- 5.4.9. After shooting the last arrow the archer must immediately leave the shooting line, rack the bow, and return behind the waiting line.

6. Dress Code NASP® tournaments are an extension of the educational experience

- 6.1. It is important that students remain safe and comfortable. Therefore, all student archers must wear close-toed shoes. (Bare feet and sandals are disallowed)
- 6.2. All coaches should make sure their student archers adhere to their school's dress code at the tournament except for the total ban of open-toed shoes above in 6.1.
- 6.3. Use of personal music playing devices, ear buds & head phones are prohibited on the range.
- 6.4. Behavior considered disruptive, unsafe, offensive, or otherwise inappropriate may result in expulsion of the archer, coach, or observers.

7. Scoring:

- 7.1. All arrows should be scored before any arrow or the target's face is touched.
- 7.2. Beginning in the center of the target, scoring rings are 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, & 1.
- 7.3. An arrow touching a scoring ring line is awarded the higher point value.
- 7.4. An arrow outside all scoring rings is awarded '0' points.
- 7.5. The 'X' ring in the center of the 10 is simply scored as a 10.
- 7.6. An arrow that 'robin-hoods' another arrow receives the value of the arrow in the target.
- 7.7. An arrow that skips off the floor and imbeds in the target is scored where it sticks.
- 7.8. An arrow that skips off the floor and bounces off the target is treated as a bounce-out.
- 7.9. Scannable (bubble-type) scorecards will be used. Archers should practice with this type of scorecard before coming to the tournament. [CLICK HERE](#) for a practice score card.
- 7.10. Both archers should walk to the target in their lane.
- 7.11. Both scorecards will be on the same score board.
 - 7.11.1. One archer will call arrows HIS/HER own arrows while the other bubbles in the score of these arrows.
 - 7.11.2. Archers will then reverse roles, the other calling HIS/HER own arrows while the other bubbles.
 - 7.11.3. If archers cannot agree on an arrow's score, a range official must be asked for the final decision.
 - 7.11.4. Only range officials may have erasers at the targets. If the archer needs a score erased the lane official will perform the task. The lane official will document such official action on the back of the score card.
 - 7.11.5. The scorecard must be signed by the archer and lane-mate at the conclusion of the flight.

- 7.11.6. Range officials will gather signed scorecards at the conclusion of each flight at the target.
- 7.11.7. Disqualification may occur if an archer takes the scorecard up-range of the 10 meter shooting line or to the coach or other unofficial person(s).
- 7.11.8. Only archers and tournament officials will be allowed downrange of the waiting line.
- 7.11.9. If an archer witnesses a lane-mate recording a false score the range official **must** be alerted.
- 7.12. Summation of the team's highest 12 individual scores, with at least 4 of both genders will comprise the team score.
8. **Sportsmanship:** Archers are expected to respect others. Acts of unsportsmanlike conduct will result in disqualification and removal from the event. Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Volunteers and Spectators are also expected to remain respectful of others. Acts of unsportsmanlike conduct could result in removal from the event. If a coach, assistant coach, volunteer or spectator disrespects, threatens, or inappropriately touches a lane official or tournament judge they will be immediately disqualified from the event and will be escorted out of the facility and not permitted re-entry.
9. **Awards**
 - 9.1. One team trophy will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams in each division.
 - 9.2. Each 1st thru 3rd place teams' members + up to 6 coaches will also receive a medal.
 - 9.3. Students in **3rd grade** who participate according to the national rule allowing this, will be included in the elementary division for individual awards.
 - 9.4. Plaques, and medals will be awarded to 1st - 5th place individual boys & girls in the elementary, middle & high school divisions.
 - 9.5. Individual boy and girl champions in each division will be awarded a Genesis Bow.
 - 9.6. Tournament Overall and Runner-Up Champion boys and girls will be awarded.
 - 9.7. Additional prizes may be awarded teams and individuals as they are available.
10. **Ties will be broken**
 - 10.1. **Individual Ties**
 - 10.1.1. First by the computer by comparing total score, then # of 10's, 9's, 8's, and so on.
 - 10.1.2. If necessary a shoot-off will take place prior to the awards ceremony. **KEEP YOUR BOW NEAR BY!** Archers absent for tie-breaking will be awarded the lower rank.
 - 10.1.3. Tied individuals will shoot a 5-arrow warm-up end at 15 meters.
 - 10.1.4. Then a 5-arrow end competitive end at 15 meters.
 - 10.1.5. If the tie persists, a single arrow shot from 15 meters, closest to the middle of the target's center will break the tie.
 - 10.2. **Team Ties**
 - 10.2.1. Tied **teams** will select one male and one female archer from their teams.
 - 10.2.2. These two archers from each team will shoot a 5-arrow warm-up end at 15 meters and then a 5-arrow scoring end at 15 meters.

10.2.3. Combined scores of both boy and girl team members will be compared to break the tie.

10.2.4. If the tie persists both the boy and girl from each team will shoot a single arrow at the same target. The arrow closest to the center of the target will win the tie.

11. Protest Procedure

- 11.1. A committee will be designated to receive and resolve official protests.
- 11.2. Coaches may visit the Coaches Review Room following the conclusion of each flight.
- 11.3. Only the officially registered coach of the team or individual may register a protest.
- 11.4. A protest must be received by the committee within 30 minutes following flight conclusion.
- 11.5. Protests may concern an archer or team score or equipment compliance.
- 11.6. Video or other photographic evidence regarding the protest will not be considered.
- 11.7. Rule clarification or suggestions may be provided by going to "Contact" at:
www.archeryintheschools.org