



140th USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open Berl Huffman Athletic Complex Lubbock, TX * August 14-17, 2024



COMPETITION FORMAT AND RULES

The 140th U.S. National Target Championships (NTC) and U.S. Open will follow rules and procedures from the World Archery Constitution and Rules. [Review rules and interpretations here.](#)

All participants in the NTC will shoot a single distance, double 72-arrow round according to their age classes as defined by World Archery and USA Archery National Championship rules.

Any USA Archery member in good standing who is a U.S. Citizen is eligible to compete in the National Target Championships. If an athlete is not a U.S. Citizen they must have the written permission, and no longer be competing for, the Member Association of the country from which he/she has a valid passport to compete. Non-citizens will compete in the 140th Target Nationals as a Guest.

All participants from the NTC are automatically entered into the U.S. Open. Participation in the National Target Championships is required to participate in the U.S. Open.

Competition Distances:

Recurve Senior = 70m; 122 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
Recurve 50-70+ = 60m; 122 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
Compound Senior = 50m; 6-ring, 80 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
Compound 50-70+ = 50m; 6-ring, 80 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
Barebow Senior = 50m; 122 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
Barebow 50-70+ = 50m; 122 cm target face; 72 arrows/day

The U.S. Open:

The U.S. Open is an Elimination Round match play event. The U.S. Open will be comprised of the combined participants (Eligible USA Archery members and Guests) from the NTC. All 50, 60 & 70+ archers will be combined into a single "50-70+" category. Compound athletes will score using cumulative scoring. Recurve and Barebow athletes will score using the Set System. When applicable, there will be a cut to 64 archers per category. U.S. Open Elimination Rounds will take place at the same distances and target faces listed above for the Qualification Rounds.

National Target Championships Age Classes:

Participants may compete as a "Senior" at any age.
Participants may compete as a "50-70+ (Master)" in 50, 60 or 70 age classes when the competition takes place in the year of their 50th/60th/70th birthday and thereafter or in the Senior division.

Team Round:

Mixed Team (1 male & 1 female from the same bow type and age class) round competition will be offered in the afternoon on Thursday, August 15, 2024 for the following categories:

- Recurve Senior, Recurve 50-70+
- Compound – which may include 50-70+ aged archers
- Barebow – which may include 50-70+ aged archers

Team round competition (3 archers from the same bow type, gender and age class) will be offered in the afternoon on Friday, August 16, 2024, for the following categories:



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- Recurve Senior Men, Recurve Senior Women
- Recurve 50-70+ Men, Recurve 50-70+ Women
- Compound Men, Compound Women – which may include 50-70+ aged archers
- Barebow Men, Barebow Women – which may include 50-70+ aged archers

Registration for Team Rounds will be online and in a separate event from individual registration. Team round registration will close when/if the field has reached capacity.

Practice:

Practice on the day of competition will be limited to 2 or 3 ends (depending on the round to be shot) prior to scoring rounds on assigned targets. There will be a separate practice field available on-site during designated hours.

Registration and Payment:

Archers are invited to register [online](#). An archer will not be considered a registered participant unless the registration form, waiver and payment have been received. Archers should verify their registration by checking the list of participants posted in the Events Calendar.

Entering More Than One Class:

An archer may compete in more than one division (i.e., Compound or Recurve), but may not compete in more than one age class. Separate fees and a separate registration are required for each division in which the archer shoots.

Scoring:

Electronic scoring will be used at this event. The paper scorecard will be the final determinant in any potential discrepancy between the electronic scorecard and the paper scorecard for the value of each arrow. Make sure to fill in your scorecard in completely and legibly. A miss is marked on the scorecard as an "M". In outdoor competitions, the inner ten ring is marked on the scorecard as an "X". Arrow values may not be changed once the arrow is removed from the target; however, addition may be corrected at any time before the scorecard is signed and submitted. Scorecards must be submitted to the scoring team upon completion and no later than one hour after the end of shooting. The scoring team is not obligated to correct mistakes found on a scorecard. Please be sure to check and double check before submitting!

USAT:

An archer who has been accumulating U21 or U18 ranking points may compete in the National Target Championships and receive Senior USAT ranking points.
Or, an archer who has been accumulating USAT Ranking points in the Senior class but is a U21 or U18 by age may compete in the JOAD National Outdoor Championships and may receive U21 or U18 Ranking points *if they have participated in the minimum required events.*



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Awards:

If you are not planning to attend, please plan to pick up your award.

U.S. Open Prize Money:

Prize money will be offered to the winners in these divisions: Sr. Male Recurve, Sr. Male Compound, Sr. Female Recurve, and Sr. Female Compound archers finishing in first, second, and third place.

When one or more archers tie for a place, total prize money for the place(s) is divided between those tied.

First place - \$ 2,000 USD

Second place - \$1,000 USD

Third place - \$500 USD

Champions Purse:

Eligible USA Archery members in the Sr. Recurve, Compound and Barebow divisions may choose to participate in the Champions Purse. Learn more: [here](#)

Easton Award:

The Easton Award is named in honor of former FITA (now World Archery) President James Easton. For 2024, it is presented to the senior male and female archer in the Compound Division with the highest combined scores from the U.S. Indoor, Field Nationals, and Target Championships.

Shenk Award:

The Shenk Award was established in 1980 in honor of the former National Archery Association (now USA Archery) President Clayton Shenk. For 2024, it is presented to the senior male and female archer in the recurve division with the highest combined scores from the U.S. Indoor, Field Nationals, and Target Championships.

Barebow Award (name pending):

The Barebow Award is new in 2024 and will be presented to the senior male and female archer in the barebow division with the highest combined scores from the U.S. Indoor, Field Nationals, and Target Championships.