



135th U.S. National Target Championships, U.S. Open and 2020 U.S. Olympic Trials – Archery, Stage 1 Darree Fields Dublin, OH * August 14-17, 2019



COMPETITION FORMAT AND RULES

The 135th U.S. National Target Championships (NTC) and U.S. Open will follow all 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 well 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. All other competitors shall compete in the Guest division.

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 Master = 60m; 122 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
- Compound Senior = 50m; 6-ring, 80 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
- Compound Master = 50m; 6-ring, 80 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
- Barebow Senior = 50m; 122 cm target face; 72 arrows/day
- Barebow Master = 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 Master archers will be combined into a single "Master" 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.

2020 U.S. Olympic Trials – Archery, Stage 1:

U.S. Olympic Team Trials – Archery will incorporate the 2 qualification rounds from the 135th NTC. Archers interested in participating in the Olympic Team Trials shall be registered in the Senior age class. There will be a separate registration for Trials. Trials procedures may be [viewed here.](#)

National Target Championships Age Classes:

Participants may compete as a "Senior" at any age.
Participants may compete as a "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.



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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, 2019 for the following categories:

- Recurve Senior, Recurve Master
- Compound – which may include Master aged archers
- Barebow – which may include Master 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 10, 2018 for the following categories:

- Recurve Senior Men, Recurve Senior Women
- Recurve Master Men, Recurve Master Women
- Compound Men, Compound Women – which may include Master aged archers
- Barebow Men, Barebow Women – which may include Master 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 Junior or Cadet ranking points may compete in the National Target Championships but will not receive any Senior USAT ranking points. Or, an archer who has been accumulating USAT Ranking points in the Senior class but is a Junior or Cadet by age may compete in the JOAD National Outdoor Championships but will



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not receive any Junior or Cadet Ranking points.

As a reminder: 2019 USAT ranking points are earned based on the Qualification rounds only for both JOAD and U.S. National Target Championships. Barebow and Masters USAT will be ranked based on the qualification rounds and any elimination rounds.

Awards:

Award ceremonies will be held according to the anticipated schedule. If you are not planning to attend, please arrange to have your award picked up. There will be separate awards for those competing in the Guest Class for the NTC. Guests and eligible USA Archery members will be combined within their respective classes and divisions for the U.S. Open and a single set of awards will be given from these results.

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 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

The Easton and Shenk Awards will be presented at the 2019 National Field

Easton Award:

The Easton Award is named in honor of former FITA (now World Archery) President James Easton. 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 and Target Championships for that year.

Shenk Award:

The Shenk Award was established in 1980 in honor of the former National Archery Association (now USA Archery) President Clayton Shenk. 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 and Target Championships for that year.