



USA Archery COVID-19 Mitigation Plans for 2020 U.S. Paralympic Trials – Archery,
Stage 1 & 2 April 28–May 2, 2021 - Easton Newberry Archery Center, Newberry, FL
Stage 3, May 31–June 3, 2021 – Easton Archery Center of Excellence, Chula Vista, CA
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This document is designed to reflect guidelines and requirements from the U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC). This information is subject to change and will be updated as USA Archery receives new information.

This document is based upon the USOPC U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Trials Participant Rules – COVID-19 Mitigation Measures (the “USOPC Trials COVID-19 Mitigation Measures”), which are incorporated herein. To the extent of any difference between any provisions of this document and the USOPC Trials COVID-19 Mitigation Measures, the provisions of this document will control.

Participation in and attendance at the Trials events requires adherence to the latest version of this document and any additional supporting documentation provided, including Appendices A&B (COVID-19 Response & Review Process and Event & Viability Contingency Plan).

Introduction:

USA Archery plans to hold the 2020 U.S. Paralympic Trials – Archery, Stage 1 and 2 between April 28 and May 2, 2021. Florida Department of Health Services Alachua County and the City of Newberry guidelines will dictate whether or not the event may run on those dates. While there are no current travel restrictions or quarantine requirements for the state of Florida, we will closely monitor the ever-evolving situation in the State.

USA Archery plans to hold the 2020 U.S. Paralympic Trials – Archery, Stage 3 between May 31 and June 3, 2021. California Department of Health Service, San Diego County and the City of Chula Vista guidelines will dictate whether or not the event may run on those dates. While there are no current travel restrictions or quarantine requirements for the state of California, we will closely monitor the ever-evolving situation in the State.

Contact Information:

- COVID-19 Officers: TBD
- Medical Director - Florida: Dr. Prine
- Medical Director – California: Dr. Richburg
- USA Archery: highperformance@usarchery.org

Limitations on Community Activities:

The USOPC Trials COVID-19 Mitigation Measures require that this document must expressly set forth restrictions and limitations on community activities that participants must comply with starting 6 days prior to their first official activity at a Trials Event and continuing until after completion of their participation in the Trials Event. Based on the provisions and USOPC recommendations in the USOPC Trials COVID-19 Mitigation Measures, the following restrictions and limitations will apply to participants:

- Avoid sit down dining in a restaurant, going to a movie, participating in any large public gathering, including competitions that do not have the same or more rigorous COVID-19 protocols as those described in this document.

Participants are strongly encouraged to minimize other community activities, and to mitigate their exposure to COVID-19 as much as possible, through the following recommended practices:

- Food can either be self-prepared using food purchased prior to this time frame and/or delivered to the home or hotel through a delivery service, ordering take-out or delivery from a restaurant, or eating at locations designated by the event organizer.
- Training should occur individually or with the minimum number of people required to effectively train during this time frame. Participants should avoid training at a public facility during this time frame, if possible.
- Participants should travel alone by personal transportation whenever possible.
- Participants should make every attempt to stay in their own hotel room or only stay with people you regularly have close sustained contact with (e.g., family, roommates, training partners for combat sports, etc).

**Participants may need to travel during this time frame but should follow the same recommendations regarding limited community activities as much as possible during travel.

General Measures:

The following measures will be required of all participants as specifically outlined by group (competitors, arrow agents, para athlete assistants, coaches, staff, judges and volunteers):

- **Signs and Symptoms Survey:** Upon entry to the venue for each day of competition, all event attendees and participants will be required to complete and sign a daily wellness (symptom) survey. Failure to complete the survey may result in disqualification from the event.
 - Anyone experiencing signs or symptoms of COVID-19 prior to travelling to the event must be evaluated by a physician for COVID-19. Unless cleared by a physician, they should not travel to the Trials event. For signs and symptoms of COVID-19, refer to current [CDC guidance](#).

- **Temperature Check:** Upon daily arrival at the venue (USA Archery highly recommends arrival at least 1 hour before the competition begins), all event attendees including Coaches and Spectators, must submit to a temperature check. Anyone registering a temperature above 100.4F will not be allowed entrance and will be removed to a medical area for further review.
 - The Medical Director or an assigned Physician with admitting privileges at a local hospital will conduct a medical review, including the use of alternate thermometers and monitoring for up to one hour. If available, on-site COVID-19 testing using a Nucleic Acid Amplification Test, such as PCR (here to for referred to as “PCR”) may be utilized. The Medical Director or Physician will make the determination on removal from the venue and competition.
- **COVID-19 Testing:** All competitors and individuals with field of play access (judges, staff, volunteers, arrow agents, para athlete assistants, media, etc.) must arrive for the Newberry event by April 28, 2021 and the Chula Vista event by May 31, 2021 and submit a negative PCR COVID-19 test (**NOTE: must be a PCR test, antigen and rapid tests will not be accepted**) obtained not longer than (3 days) 72 hours prior to arrival at the event site, whether you are traveling to the event or already reside at the event location. Test results must be sent to highperformance@usarchery.org once acquired in order for the participant to be allowed access to the field of play. As previously mentioned, anyone who tests positive should NOT travel to the event. If you have tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days, please contact USA Archery at highperformance@usarchery.org for clearance and see below:
 - For people who have tested positive for COVID-19 within 90 days of the start of the trials events you will not need to be tested (in either pre-travel or pre-event tests) if you are not experiencing signs or symptoms of COVID-19, BUT you will need to provide evidence of a clearance to return to training from a Medical Doctor. If applicable, send a letter from your doctor documenting you have recovered from COVID-19 and are cleared to participate to USA Archery at highperformance@usarchery.org. This must be received prior to the participant being allowed access to the field of play.
 - All competitors and individuals with field of play access (unless exempt per clearance from a doctor within the past 90 days following a positive test result) must obtain a PCR test (3 days) 72 hours prior to the beginning of their competition after arrival in Newberry, FL or Chula Vista, CA. A copy of the test result must be sent to USA Archery at highperformance@usarchery.org prior to the first day of the event. Any individual who tests positive will be excluded from the event.
 - USA Archery intends to provide a testing site for this test for stage 1 and 2 on April 28th and for stage 3 on May 31st See event schedules for times and location.
 - To confirm a positive test, the athlete may request two simultaneous confirmatory tests.
 - If either or both confirmatory tests are positive, the original test is confirmed to be positive. The athlete will be excluded from competition and must leave the

venue immediately and are required to follow local and state guidelines for isolation and treatment of COVID-19. A positive test will also trigger contact tracing protocols and the participant must comply with guidelines.

- If both confirmatory PCR tests are negative, the original test will be considered a false positive and the athlete will be allowed to compete.
- All test costs are the responsibility of the individual being tested, unless otherwise specified.

Vaccinated participants are not excluded or exempt from surveillance testing and are subject to the same testing, masking and social distancing guidelines as all individuals with field of play access.

- **Venue Access:** Only event participants, arrow agents, para athlete assistants, judges, staff and volunteers will be allowed on the field of play. Access will only be available at specified times. Event participants may not arrive at the venue more than an hour and a half prior to the start of official competition events.
- **Face Mask Requirements:** Face masks covering both the mouth and nose are required at all times for all people at the venue. Please refer to the [CDC guidance](#) on facemasks.
 - Competitors may remove masks only when on the shooting line and actively shooting.
- **Hand Sanitizing:** Hand sanitizing stations will be located throughout the venue. It is required to use them upon entering or exiting a bathroom or building.
- **Social Distancing:** It is important to maintain physical/social distance from other people. Maintain six (6) feet of distance at all times practicable.

Acknowledgement and Reporting of Symptoms:

Should any participant develop signs or symptoms of COVID-19, they must contact USA Archery staff and the medical team (contact info above) as soon as possible. Event medical staff will evaluate the participant and determine appropriate next steps. Failure to report symptoms may result in exclusion from the event.

- Should any participant develop signs or symptoms of COVID-19, they must not attend training or competition, or travel to the venue.
- For signs and symptoms of COVID-19, refer to current [CDC guidance](#)
- Symptomatic participants will be evaluated by the Medical Director and may be required to provide a negative PCR COVID-19 test before being allowed to participate. It will be the responsibility of the participant to obtain the necessary test if the event organizer is unable to supply them.

Isolation of Sick Participants and Testing Protocol:

Any participant who becomes ill while at the venue will be asked to isolate in the medical area until they are evaluated by event medical staff. Upon evaluation, the participant may need a PCR COVID-19 test. If the test is positive, the participant will not be allowed to continue. A positive test will also trigger contact tracing protocols and the participant must comply with guidelines.

Contact Tracing:

Any participant who had close, sustained contact with an individual testing positive for COVID-19 will be required to follow state and local guidance on quarantine procedures.

- The CDC currently defines “close contact” as “someone who was within 6 feet of an infected person for a cumulative total of 15 minutes or more over a 24-hour period starting from 2 days before illness onset (or, for asymptomatic patients, 2 days prior to test specimen collection) until the time the patient is isolated.”
- Close Contact participants will be quarantined and excluded from participation in the event with the following caveat:
 - Any participant who is identified through contact tracing as a high-risk contact but is currently asymptomatic and has completed a COVID-19 vaccination series more than 2 weeks previously but less than 90 days OR who has tested positive for COVID-19 within 90 days of their exposure and can provide documentation of the positive COVID-19 test will be allowed to compete.

Testing and Tracing Specific Dispute Resolution:

Disputes arising from findings of contact tracing and testing will be heard by the Medical Director and the USOPC Trials Administrative Board. All athletes will be required to review and sign the COVID-19 Response & Review Process (See Appendix A).

Spectators:

Spectators and Coaches will not have access to the field of play. There will be a designated spectator/coaching area that will have mandatory 6-foot separation from the field of play. Individuals in this area must maintain at least 6 feet of separation from athletes while at the venue (i.e. archers may not enter spectator area to receive coaching). Violation of this physical separation may result in permanent removal from the venue.

- Tenting and seating will not be provided for the spectator area. Coaches and spectators are encouraged to bring their own seating, water, etc.

Additional Relevant Information:

- **Field of play:** Archers will be spaced to one per target per line and targets will be at least 6 feet apart.
- **Bathrooms/Port A Johns:** Toilets will be sanitized daily. Hand sanitizer and/or sanitizing stations will be available near toilets and must be used prior to and following toilet use.
- **Water:** Participants are encouraged to bring their own drinking water from off-site. Participants should also bring their own coolers and ice as no shared water coolers or ice will be provided.
- **Meals:** Taking meals on site is discouraged. Athlete eating and drinking related to sport performance is permitted. However, it is recommended that extra measures are taken when removing masks to ensure sufficient social distancing from other participants.
- **PPE:** Participants are responsible for providing their own CDC approved PPE. If needed due to lost, damaged, poorly fitting or insufficient PPE, USA Archery will have limited quantities of approved masks available on site.

- Reminder: masks are subject to IOC Rule 50 and any marks that are not allowed must be covered when on the field of play.
- **Media:** Only accredited media will be allowed at the venue, but they will not have field of play access and must remain in the spectator area. Media must submit credential requests to media@usarchery.org for approval.
 - Mixed zones will be arranged with appropriate social distancing. All interviews must be conducted with masked participants.
 - Any photos taken without masks must be taken with appropriate social distancing.
- **Social Celebrations/Gatherings:** There will be no social gatherings at the venue. Participants should refrain from all person-to-person contact including handshakes, “high fives”, fist bumps, etc.

Media Inquiries Regarding COVID-19:

USA Archery’s Media & Communications Specialist Sarah Boyd will work with the event staff and medical team as well as the USOPC to provide any relevant information regarding COVID-19 related procedures in response to questions. All inquiries should be directed to media@usarchery.org. All official communications regarding the Trials related to COVID-19 will come from USA Archery’s official communications channels and/or USA Archery staff.



Overview

This process outlines the response to situations and disputes involving any Participant arising from USA Archery's COVID-19 Mitigation Plan for the Olympic & Paralympic Trials, and the opportunity for all Participants to have a review prior to being removed from the competition. For purposes of these processes, "Participants" include athletes, coaches, staff, support personnel and those who have access to athletes or athlete areas.

The intent of this process is to protect the health and safety of all Participants at the Trials by providing for clear and swift protocols where a potential risk presents itself or public health guidelines apply. Every effort was made to identify what situations might present themselves but if there are omissions in this document, USA Archery will do their best to differentiate between a medical risk and behavioral risk and apply a process to those outlined below.

Positive COVID-19 Test

1. **Positive COVID-19 Test Upon Arrival** – Participant must be removed from Venue and follow CDC guidelines. Participant will be removed from Competition if there is not enough time to obtain any further confirmatory tests.
2. **Confirmatory Tests** – Participant may obtain two confirmatory tests. If both tests are negative and the participant is asymptomatic, the Participant may participate. If either confirmatory test is positive, the COVID-19 Officer will ensure/confirm that the proper protocols were followed.
3. **COVID-19 Officer Review** – If the COVID-19 Officer confirms that proper protocols were followed, the Participant will be removed from Competition.
4. **Decision** – A decision to remove from the Competition based on a positive test is final and binding.

Displaying Symptoms of COVID-19

1. **Participant Displays Symptoms of COVID-19** (including temperature of over 100.4°) – Participant must be removed to medical area.
2. **Medical Review** –
 - a. A USA Archery-appointed Physician will conduct a medical review, which will include the use of alternate thermometers and monitoring for up to an hour.
 - b. Participant can present evidence of other explanatory medical conditions.
 - c. Physician makes determination on participation.
3. **Secondary Medical Confirmation** – If the Physician determines to remove the athlete from Competition, the Medical Director will then conduct a secondary review. The Medical Director will have the final determination on participation.
4. **COVID-19 Officer Review** – The COVID-19 Officer will confirm that the protocols were followed.
5. **Decision** – A decision to remove based on both the Physician and the Medical Director's assessment of symptoms of COVID-19 is final and binding.



Identified as Having Close Contact

1. **Contact Tracing Identification** – Upon an individual being diagnosed with COVID-19 Test, the COVID-19 Officer will identify all other individuals who have had close sustained contact. Those individuals must be immediately removed from the Venue and follow CDC guidelines.
2. **Opportunity to be Heard** – The removed Participant will have the opportunity to present evidence to the COVID-19 Officer about their whereabouts and any other relevant information.
3. **COVID-19 Officer Determination** – The COVID-19 Officer will make the determination on participation based on medical contact tracing protocols.
4. **Secondary Confirmation** – The Medical Director will confirm that the COVID-19 Officer followed the medical contact tracing protocol appropriately.
5. **Decision** – A decision to remove from competition made by COVID-19 Officer (based on close contact), and confirmed by the Medical Director, is final and binding.

Failure to Abide by USA Archery's COVID-19 Mitigation Plan and/or Removal from the Trials

1. **Mitigation Plan Enforcement** – The COVID-19 Officer, or designees, will enforce USA Archery's COVID-19 Mitigation Plan and may impose consequences on Participants for violations ranging from a warning to removal. Participants will be permitted to share explanatory or other relevant information related to the violation.
2. **Removal** – If removal is imposed, the Participant will be immediately removed from the Venue.
3. **Request for Hearing** – The Participant may request a hearing before the USOPC Trials Administrative Board (TAB) prior to removal from Competition.
4. **TAB Hearing** – The TAB will be convened on an expedited basis and will have final authority over the matter. A telephonic hearing will take place where the Participant and USA Archery may present relevant information.
5. **Decision** – The TAB's decision is final and binding.

Agreement

I agree to abide by and be bound by USA Archery's COVID-19 Mitigation Plan, including the Response and Review Process.

Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____



Appendix B

2020 U.S. Paralympic Trials – Archery, Event Viability & Contingency Plan

USA Archery's priority is to run safe and fair Trials that gives the opportunity to select the most competitive team for the Tokyo Games.

Listed below are factors that will be considered when determining to continue the running of the Trials Events. If at any time the continued running of a Trials Event is deemed unsafe by the Medical Director or local health officials, the event may be paused and resumed when and if determined to be feasible and appropriate by USA Archery and the Medical Director.

For the purposes of this document, "Participating Athletes" shall be defined as both male and female athletes that are participating in the current or next round of the Trials Event(s). If a round of competition has been completed and the Participating Athlete in question is no longer in contention for the Trials, they will not be considered in any count listed below.

Symptoms Screen:

If one or more Participating Athletes screen positive for COVID19 symptoms and are confirmed as a Person(s) Under Investigation (PUI), USA Archery will perform pooled COVID19 testing again on all Participating Athletes.

PCR Testing and Subsequent Contact Tracing Threshold:

If any of the Participating Athletes test positive for COVID19 during on-site pre-event testing 3 days (72hrs) prior to the start of the current trials stage or are high risk contacts from contact tracing (as defined following CDC guidelines) and those testing positive are confirmed with follow up COVID19 testing, the Trials Event will be postponed, and public health authorities informed.

Exceptions:

If a Participating Athlete, after testing positive or being identified through contact tracing, makes a personal decision to withdraw from all current and remaining Trials Events, the event will continue as planned, unless testing results, contact tracing or symptom screening with respect to other Participating Athletes requires consideration that the event be postponed.

Integrity of Competition:

If a combination of COVID-19 testing, contact tracing, or symptom screening would otherwise exclude one or more Participating Athletes that qualify for the next round of Trials, or a combination of COVID-19 testing, contact tracing, or symptom screening results for event staff compromises the ability of USA Archery to continue running the event, the event may be postponed and resumed when and if determined to be feasible and appropriate by USA Archery and the Medical Director, if applicable. USA Archery will refer to the 2020 U.S. Paralympic Trials – Archery selection procedures 6.10 for next steps and will follow up with Participating Athletes.