
Divisions/Classes and Individual/Team Participation

- Division for 4-H Archery Competition are based on 4-H age eligibility guidelines. A 4-H'er may not compete in a higher age divisions. Divisions are as follows: Cloverleaf, Junior, and Senior.
- Classes for 4-H Archery Competition are based on bow type:
 - Novice Class: Is open to Cloverleaf participants only and limited to recurve or universal draw length compound bows that does not have a positive draw stop or let-off (Genesis, PSE Discovery Bows may be equipped with an

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- To complement and enhance the impact of existing programs using experiential (hands on) educational skills and abilities.

- - A bowstring of adequate strength and composed of appropriate materials may not include any attachment or marking that may be used as a sighting device or aid. It may include the following attachments or components:
- - Center and end-loop servings are permitted, but no serving may terminate within the shooter's vision with the bow at full draw.
- - One or more nocking point indicators may be used to position the nock on the string. The nocking point indicator may be of any conventional design, including materials that may be crimped, wound, or heat shrunk to the center serving.
- - One additional attachment with a diameter of one centimeter or less may be applied to the string to serve as a lip or nose mark ("kisser button").
- - String peeps are permitted only in the compound classes.
- - An arrow rest of any conventional design with or without adjustable or 1.3625 (ng at) 5 (t) 5e ing

Shooting accessories:

- - A shooting glove, tab or other protective device may be used on the string hand provided it is smooth and provides no mechanical aids for holding or releasing the string. No shape or design criteria are specified. Several layers of material may be used, and a separator to reduce finger pinch may be included.
- - An ordinary glove, mitten or similar item may be worn on the bow hand.
- - A bow sling may be used.
- - An arm guard or stall may be used on the bow arm to prevent string slap and to hold clothing away from the string.
- - A vest or protector may be used to control clothing on the upper body.
- - Shooters may wear any clothing suitable for the climatic and weather conditions. However, sleeved shirts and footwear are required for shooters at all times.
- - Release aids may be used only by compound shooters in the compound 3-D and FITA events. Competence with the equipment must have been demonstrated before the release aid may be used.

Arrows:

- - Arrows consist of a shaft with a head, nock, fletching, and personal identification markings.
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- - A clear verbal command or a series of 3 whistle blasts may be used to indicate that the range is clear and the group may proceed to score targets and retrieve arrows.
- - Either the verbal command or one whistle blast is the signal to resume firing after an interruption.

Range Officials:

- Range officials will be designated to control the shooting line and maintain high standards of safety at all times. Additional officials may be appointed at the discretion of the shoot or event coordinator.
- - One or more field officials will be appointed with the following duties:
 - Safety - The range official(s) will maintain control over safety on the shooting field and its environs at all times. Inspection – Coaches and each 4-H'er are responsible for inspecting their equipment for conformity with the rules and safety prior to and as needed during the tournament. Rule enforcement and interpretation - The range official is responsible for enforcing appropriate shoot rules, resolving disputes over rule interpretation, and responding to questions about interpretation of the rules.
 - Squadding - The range official will call squads to the line in an orderly and timely fashion.
 - Time keeping - The range official will act as the official time keeper, maintaining the official clock for each end. He or she has the authority to extend the two (2) minute time period for each end under extenuating circumstances.

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Scoring:

- Targets for all Cloverleaf and Junior participants in both recurve and compound competition, will be scored by officials appointed by the range Field Captain. Senior participants will score their own targets in their assigned group. 4-H'ers may not touch any arrows in the target until they have been officially scored. Scoring will be:
 - – From the center of the target outward, the scoring areas are X – 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1. Shots outside the scoring area are scored as misses.
 - – From the center of the target outward, the scoring areas are X – 11, 10, 9, 8, 7, 6. Shots outside the scoring area are scored as misses. Only one arrow scored per spot!
 - – The lines between scoring areas of the target are part of the higher value scoring area. A shaft touching a scoring line receives the higher value score.
 - – Point values will be determined by the location of the shaft as it rests in the target. Any shaft falling beyond reach of the shooter or the extended bow will be considered shot. The field captain has the option of allowing a replacement arrow to be fired.
- – Any shaft that fails to remain in the target will be scored based on the value of the lowest un-market hole in the target face.
- - No 4-H'ers will knowingly shoot at the wrong target. Arrows fired at the wrong target will be scored as misses (0's).
- – No 4-H'ers will knowingly shoot more than the required number of arrows at their own target. Excess arrows shot will result in the deduction of the highest value arrows on the target until the appropriate number is reached. In addition, a one-point penalty will be deducted for each excess arrow shot.
- : Shots reaching the target after time has expired will be scored as a miss. The arrow of highest value for that end will be lost. The signal to stop shooting means time has already expired. Arrows shot during the signal will be considered shot after time has expired.
- – Arrows falling beyond the reach of the 4-H'ers or the extended bow will be considered shot. The range official may determine that a replacement arrow may be shot.
- - No 4-H'ers will knowingly shoot more than the required number of arrows at their own target. Excess arrows shot will result in the deduction of the highest value arrows on the target until the appropriate number is reached. In addition, a one-point penalty will be deducted for each excess arrow shot.

- When archers are called (two whistle blast), they will have 20 seconds to approach the shooting line and prepare to shoot. The commence firing command (one whistle blast) will be given after the 20 seconds to approach the line has expired.
- Participants have 2 minutes to shoot each 3-arrow end. All shots must be released

abusive conduct may be warned a maximum of one time. - Further instances of such conduct may result in the shooter being penalized by having an appropriate reduction in their score or disqualified.

Review - Disqualifications will be reviewed by the shooting sports coordinator and a review board assembled for the purpose of determining additional sanctions, if any, according Georgia 4-H policy.

Certified Coaches & Volunteers

- Counties are required to have a minimum of one 4-H certified coach in the archery discipline per 10 4-H'ers present at all county, district and state activities. The 4-H Project SAFE Committee strongly recommends that there should be one discipline certified coach for each 3-4 person county team.
- Counties must provide 1 volunteer per every 4 Cloverleaf and Junior 4-H'ers to assist with scoring at the targets.
- A 4-H certified coach in archery discipline must be present for a county practice or event to be recognized as a Georgia 4-H SAFE program. Certified Coaches and volunteers must meet the UGA policies for volunteers.

Awards & Recognition

- Awards are as outlined by the Project SAFE Development Committee. Recognition will be given to high individuals in all division and classes.
- The State Indoor Archery Match is an additional opportunity for 4-H Archers. Winners of the Indoor Archery match are recognized for participation only and are not recognized with Master 4-H Status or recognized at State 4-H Congress.
- State Winning High Individuals are permitted to compete in future years.