

2023 National Field Archery Association - Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

NFAA Headquarters – Yankton, South Dakota - Monday August 28, 2023

Changes will become effective January 1st, 2024

General Assembly Meeting called to order by President Brian Sheffler at 8:02 AM.

Invocation: Prayer led by CA Director Gary McCain.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Brittany Salonen, NFAA Operations Director, acting Sergeant at Arms.

Bruce Cull suggested a Moment of Silence be observed in remembrance of Tim Austin.

2021 Board of Director's Meeting Minutes: Motion made by MI to accept the minutes. Seconded by WI. All in favor via verbal ayes, 0 opposed. 2021 minutes were accepted.

Roll Call/Introductions:

Officers present: NFAA President Brian Sheffler, NFAA Vice President Doug Joyce

NFAA HQ Staff: Bruce Cull, Executive Director; Michael Anderson, Executive Secretary; Brittany Salonen, Operations Director; Pam Tramp, Accounting Director; Erika Jones, Outreach Manager; Alice Lunardelli, Membership and Event Manager.

Council present: Lee Gregory (Southern), Chris Shortall (Mid-Atlantic *appointee*), Bill Hall (New England), Tom Daley (Southwest), Rocky Kline (Great Lakes), Shorty Faber (Midwest), Oliver Austin (Southeast)

Council virtual: Hubert Sims (Northwest)

Alternates: Paige Pearce – NFAA Pro Chairman, standing in for Chance Beauboeuf; Greg White - NC, standing in for Joe Rozmus; Debbie Comeaux – LA (virtual), standing in for Jim Metzger; Chris Shortall - Mid-Atlantic – standing in for Mike Price

NFAA State Directors (or alternate) present: AZ, CA, FL, KS, NC, MI, MO, MT, NE, OK, SD, TN, TX, WI, HI

NFAA State Directors (or alternate) virtual: AK, CT, GA, ID, IL, IN, LA, ME, MA, MN, NJ, NM, NY, ND, OR, PA, SC, WA, WV, WY

States not present: OH, DE, VA, NH, RI, VT, KY, AL, CO, IA, MD, MS, NV

Motion to seat alternates. NFAA President Brian Sheffler asked for vote of seating alternates. Passed by verbal ayes, none opposed.

Rules of Assembly and Meeting and Parliamentary Protocol: Handed out to the Directors and Council. Parliamentarian Bruce Cull is present for interpretation.

President's Report and State of the NFAA: President Brian Sheffler deferred to the Executive Director Bruce Cull and the NFAA Headquarters staff for the Headquarters report:

Bruce Cull discussed the following:

1. Constitution rewrite (reorganization) is required. Needed for legality issues/reasons. IRS governs non-profit organizations. Determination Letter, which NFAA does not currently have. NFAA is a 501c4 designated organization, a non-profit membership organization. Must re-certify every 10 years. President Brian Sheffler has authorized a re-write of the constitution, to be reviewed and approved by directors, council, officers, etc.
2. IL – NFAA received compliance affidavits from 2 different IL state organizations.
3. Success of Sectionals, virtual events, leagues – resulted in reactivation of clubs, ranges, pro shops and memberships.
4. Effects of pandemic and successes of virtual tournaments – have been vital to survival of the NFAA.
5. Book donation to the NFAA from Howard Thelemann from WI.
6. Importance of membership recruitment at state level, state events, membership requirements.

Brittany Salonen discussed the following:

1. Using a compilation of the Sectional results for a national level event/ranking. Would need to standardize the round(s) used. Would still have an NFAA Indoor National tournament.
2. Bruce Cull, Paige Pearce and Greg White discussed the Pro class and time constraints of pros competing in other archery organizations and how it negatively affects state and sectional participation.
3. New NFAA website – up to date, many new features. Club and shop locator. Sectional and state pages.
4. Sectionals – online registrations – problems and successes. How to grow participation.
5. State director/officer orientation – instructions how to: use Sport 80, run reports, parental move-up, duties & responsibilities, background checks, etc.
6. Shooter of the Year (SOY) – Pro SOY has been moderately successful. Amateur SOY – has been unsuccessful, looking for ideas to improve.
7. Online leagues – have been successful and shown good growth.
8. Free junior memberships with intention to grow junior memberships. 4H, NASP, JOAD, instructor program, etc.
9. Club of the Year and Member of the Year – both presented at NFAA Indoor Nationals.
10. Archery Magazine – ALL past issues are now available online.
11. Addition of Council Agenda Items following Council meeting yesterday – designated as “C-XX”, see below.

Ballot Considerations: 14 Directors in-person, 20 Directors virtual, total of 34 Directors present. States with weighed votes: CA = 5, MI = 2, FL = 2, TX = 2. Total weighted vote is 41. Simple non-weighted is 18. Simple weighted is 22. 2/3 weighted is 25.

Agenda Items: Note - items are in order in which they appear in the Constitution:

HQ-01: FL moved to adopt. MO 2nd. Passed.

Revision, Constitution, Page 10-11, Article 3 Section A Para 3, 10; Item 3.2

Proposed change:

3. Adult membership shall be granted to any individual 18 years of age or older upon application and payment of regular fees and dues through the affiliated state or foreign association of his **residence choice**. NFAA membership/handicap cards will only be issued from NFAA Headquarters upon receipt of proper fees/dues. ~~In the event no such affiliated association exists, membership may be granted by application and payment of dues:~~

~~3.1 Directly to NFAA Headquarters, or~~

~~3.2 Through an affiliated state association whose boundary is contiguous to the state of residence.~~

3.1 In order to compete in any sectional tournament, an archer must be a member of a state affiliate within that section, except as specified in paragraph 10 below.

10. Members may be privileged to change their state affiliation two times during a calendar year. The member must notify NFAA Headquarters in writing when changing state affiliation, and pay the applicable state dues. NFAA members may compete for awards in only one Indoor, one Outdoor and one 3-D Sectional; and only one Indoor, one Outdoor and one 3-D State tournament per calendar year. The member may shoot as a guest at any other time.

This change will also affect By-Laws, Article 4, Section B, Paragraph 9

9. An archer may choose to shoot in several Indoor and Outdoor Sectional tournaments of his choice, but only may compete for awards in that section of his ~~residence~~ **State affiliation**.

CA-02: CA moved to adopt. AZ 2nd. Passed.

Revision, Constitution, Page 11, Article 3, Section 8, Para 8, Item 8.1-8.5

Remove following sections: 8 , 8.1, 8.2, 8.3, 8.4, 8.5

8. USA Archery membership.

8.1 Membership in USA Archery may be substituted for the NFAA membership requirements for the purpose of competing in NFAA tournaments, in NFAA Divisions and styles only. In addition, USA Archery members are eligible to participate in NFAA programs, with the exception of:

8.1.1 NFAA Service Pins

8.1.2 Art Young Awards

8.1.3 NFAA Medal of Merit

8.1.4 NFAA Hall of Fame

8.1.5 The Order of the Bone

8.1.6 NFAA Insurance programs

8.2 USA Archery members shall not be issued a membership/handicap card by the NFAA. A current USA Archery membership card shall be required for participation in NFAA tournaments and programs.

8.3 All state association requirements must be met to compete at the state level or below.

8.4 USA Archery members shall not have voting rights and membership shall not count on the weighted ballot.

8.5 USA Archery membership shall not include a subscription to the official NFAA publication.

NM-02: MA moved to adopt. CT 2nd. Failed.

AZ-04: AZ moved to adopt. CA 2nd. Discussion: NFAA President Brian Sheffler can call meeting at any time.

MI motion to table. FL 2nd. Motion to Table passed.

CA-04: CA moved to adopt. AZ 2nd. NC moved to amend to specify Adult class only. CA 2nd amendment. Voting on amendment passed. Voting on Agenda Item – Failed.

CA-06: No motion to adopt. No Action.

CA-09: Item was removed/withdrawn by Author.

CT-03: AZ moved to adopt. KS 2nd. ID amended; amendment withdrawn. MI moved to amend. NC 2nd amendment.

Amendment passed. Agenda Item passed as amended.

New Item, By-Laws, Page 30, Article II "Shooting styles and equipment rules", Section A "General"

Amendment states: "12. The maximum total width of the archer and all their equipment ~~any and all stabilizers, accessories, counterbalances and side rods mounted to any bow~~ may not extend into the adjacent shooting lanes ~~exceed 24"~~."

AZ-02: AZ moved to adopt. CA 2nd. AZ motioned to Table. NC 2nd. Motion to Table passed.

AZ-03: No motion to adopt. No Action.

WI-01: WI moved to adopt. TN 2nd. Failed.

WI-02: WI moved to adopt. No 2nd. Failed.

WI-03: No motion to adopt. No Action.

WI-04: WI moved to adopt. ND 2nd. ND moved to amend to include all classes. NE 2nd amendment. Bruce Cull mentioned amendment was deemed hostile to Agenda Item, would require completely new Agenda Item to be submitted. Amendment withdrawn as hostile. Voting on Agenda Item – Failed.

FL made a motion to suspend Roberts Rules of Order. ND 2nd. Voting took place by show of hands, motion failed.

CA-07: CA moved to adopt. AZ 2nd.

FL motioned to amend to include Adult division only. LA 2nd. Amendment is to remove Cub, Youth, Young Adult, Silver Senior and Master Senior from Agenda Item (Items 1.5 - 2).

Amendment passed.

Only change from current wording is addition of line item J.6.

Agenda Item passed as amended.

Revision, By-Laws, Page 34-35, Article 2, Section J, Para 11 Item 6

J. Longbow

1. A one, two, or three piece straight ended bow constructed of wood or laminated wood with nonadjustable limbs. When the bow is braced, the string must not touch the limbs between the notches on the limb. The belly and the back of the bow may have carbon or fiberglass on them.

2. The belly of the bow must be free of any marks or blemishes that can be used as sighting aids.

3. The bow may contain a window and an arrow shelf. No mechanical or elevated rests may be used.

4. Only one nocking point is allowed on the string which may be marked by one or two nocking point locators.

5. The archer shall touch the arrow when nocked and drawing the arrow with the index finger against the nock. In case of physical disability of arms or hands, a chew strap may be used in place of fingers.

6. Finger position cannot change during a competition.

7. One anchor point only is permitted.

8. All arrows shall be identical in length, weight, diameter and fletching with allowance for wear and tear.

9. No written memorandum will be allowed. Bow slings are permissible.

10. Participation in this style may shoot any type of arrow.

11. For all tournaments below the Sectional level, longbow archers may shoot at Youth stakes distances at the discretion of each state or club.

CA-03: CA moved to adopt. FL 2nd. Passed.

Revision, By-Laws, Page 35, Article 3, Section B, Para 1, Item 1.5

In accordance with NFAA's Article II Purpose, NFAA is committed to:

- A. "providing for the development of the sport of archery in conformance with the will of the majority of the membership"
- D. "to foster, expand, promote and perpetuate the practice of field archery and any other archery games"
- I. "To cooperate with other archery associations to foster and perpetuate the use of the bow in accordance with its ancient and honorable traditions."
- K. "To evolve and conduct programs that will give recognition to archers for proficiency with the bow and arrow in all sanctioned competition and hunting accomplishments."

As such, we ask that archers be allowed to compete in Barebow Recurve in all amateur NFAA age divisions. This will foster and perpetuate the use of Barebow Recurve, to help ensure that it does not die out. Adding all age divisions will allow young archers to grow and be tested in the fires which only competition can provide. Even if it seems as if few or none show up at a particular event, the archer who does, will still endure the pressures and elements of that competition. The inclusion of all NFAA amateur age divisions for Barebow Recurve will also help support NFAA in continuing to provide the strongest team possible for the United States in IFAA's World Bowhunters & World Field Archery Championships.

NFAA Young Adult, Youth, Cub:

- Freestyle
- Bowhunter Freestyle
- Barebow
- Freestyle Limited Recurve
- Barebow Recurve

PRO or PRO SENIOR, SILVER SENIOR, MASTER SENIOR
 Freestyle
YOUNG ADULT, YOUTH, CUB
 Freestyle
 Bowhunter Freestyle
 Barebow
 Freestyle Limited Recurve
 Barebow Recurve

ADULT, SENIOR, SILVER SENIOR, MASTER SENIOR
 Freestyle, Freestyle Limited
 Barebow, Bowhunter Freestyle
 Traditional, Freestyle Limited Recurve
 Crossbow (Adult only)
 Barebow Recurve (Adult and Senior only)
 Longbow (Adult only)

NFAA DIVISION/STYLE NOMENCLATURE

Division and Age Range	Gender	Freestyle	Freestyle Limited	Barebow	Bowhunter Freestyle	Freestyle Limited Recurve	Traditional	Barebow Recurve	Longbow	Crossbow
Adult 18 and Over	Female	AFFS	AFFSL	AFBB	AFBHFS	AFFSLR	AFTRAD	AFBRR	AFLB	CXBF
	Male	AMFS	AMFSL	AMBB	AMBHFS	AMFSLR	AMTRAD	AMBRR	AMLB	CXBM
Cub Under 12	Female	CFFS		CFBB	CFBHFS	CFFSLR		CFBRR		
	Male	CMFS		CMBB	CMBHFS	CMFSLR		CMBRR		
Youth 12 - 14	Female	YFFS		YFBB	YFBHFS	YFFSLR		YFBR		
	Male	YMFS		YMBB	YMBHFS	YMFSLR		YMBRR		
Young Adult 15 - 17	Female	YAFFS		YAFBB	YAFBHFS	YAFFSLR		YAFBRR		
	Male	YAMFS		YAMBB	YAMBHFS	YAMFSLR		YAMBRR		
Senior and older 50	Female	SFFS	SFFSL	SFBB	SFBHFS	SFFSLR	SFTRAD	SFBRR		
	Male	SMFS	SMFSL	SMBB	SMBHFS	SMFSLR	SMTRAD	SMBRR		
Silver Senior 60 and older	Female	SSFFS	SSFFSL	SSFBB	SSFBHFS	SSFFSLR	SSFTRAD	SSFBR		
	Male	SSMFS	SSMFSL	SSMBB	SSMBHFS	SSMFSLR	SSMTRAD	SSMBRR		
Master Senior 70 and older	Female	MSFFS	MSFFSL	MSFBB	MSFBHFS	MSFFSLR	MSFTRAD	MSFBR		
	Male	MSMFS	MSMFSL	MSMBB	MSMBHFS	MSMFSLR	MSMTRAD	MSMBRR		
*Pro and older 18	Female	PPFS								
	Male	PMFS								
*Senior Pro 50 and older	Female	SPFFS								
	Male	SPMFS								
*Silver Senior Pro and older 60	Female	SSPFFS								
	Male	SSPMFS								
*Master Senior Pro and older 70	Female	MSPFFS								
	Male	MSPMFS								

CA-05: No motion to adopt. No Action.

CA-08: OR moved to adopt. CA 2nd. Failed.

NM-01: No motion to adopt. No Action.

NM-03: No motion to adopt. No Action.

WY-01: NE moved to adopt, TN 2nd. Failed.

NY-01: No motion to adopt. No Action.

Pro 03: Pro moved to adopt. AZ 2nd.

Motion to Table by Pro, FL 2nd table. Item is Tabled via vote.

NC voted to bring back to floor, CA 2nd. Vote brought item back to table.

Pro's Amendment (Brittany read:) "Professional archers shall dress in a clean, professional manner. Bottoms should look fitted, clean, undamaged, and be of appropriate length. The waist of the attire shall not fall below the waistline. No ripped or frayed jeans. T-shirts, swimming suits, cut-offs and obscene or vulgar slogans or pictures on clothing are prohibited.

NC moved to accept amendment, CA 2nd. Voting to accept amendment passed.

Passed to adopt as amended.

Pro-01: No motion to adopt. No Action.

CA-10: CA moved to adopt, AZ 2nd. CA moved to amend, include Item 16 only and eliminate Item 16.1 and all subsequent text. FL 2nd. CA moved to table, FL 2nd. Item is Tabled.

CT-02: MA moved to adopt, no 2nd. No Action.

AZ-05: AZ moved to adopt, CA 2nd. Failed.

CT-01: MA moved to adopt, NE 2nd. FL amended to eliminate scoring X as a 6, would become a 5. CT 2nd. Voting on amendment failed. AZ moves for additional amendment to edit items #4.8 (remove traditional, longbow and barebow recurve) and #5 (X scored as 5 and not 6). FL 2nd amendment. Voting on amendment passed. Voting on Agenda Item as Amended Failed.

NY-02: NY moved to adopt, no 2nd. No Action.

RIC 2022-1: RIC ruling is upheld.

RIC 2022-1

The Illinois NFAA Director was ask to rule if the Axcel Accu View Plus Crosshair sight was legal in Freestyle Bowhunter. The Director ruled that the sight had too many reference points, and ruled that the sight was not legal for Freestyle Bowhunter.

NFAA By-Laws, page 30 (NFAA Shooting Styles and Equipment Rules) Section E, Paragraph-1 states a maximum of (5) five fixed reference points; Points of attachments shall not be considered reference points.

RULES INTERPRETATION COMMITTEE DECISION

The RIC Committee reviewed the decision by the Illinois NFAA Director. The applicable NFAA Equipment Rules as stated in the 2019 NFAA Constitution & By-Laws (Effective November 1, 2019) and prior RIC rulings.

The RIC Committee agrees with the decision of the Illinois NFAA Director.

Respectfully submitted,

Hubert Sims - RIC Chairman

Tom Daley - Southwest Councilman

Lee Gregory - Southern Councilman

RIC 2022-2: RIC ruling is upheld.

The Rules Interpretation Committee (RIC) met Thursday, March 3, 2022 to review the protest paperwork that was received from the Texas Field Archery Association (TFAA). The protest was filed at the Texas Indoor State Tournament held February 25-26, 2022 in regards to a Transgender Female competing in the Senior Female Freestyle Division.

The RIC voted 2 to 1 to overturn the Texas protest.

C-09: MI moved to adopt, FL 2nd. Failed.

C-05: FL moved to adopt. NC 2nd. Passed.

Recognized Pros from other archery organizations are currently required to be NFAA Pros. We want to encourage Pros from other organizations to attend NFAA events, not make it more difficult or cumbersome for them to do so. For example, this rule deters ASA Pros (who may shoot exclusively 3D archery) to compete at NFAA events as they may not have any previous field or indoor archery experience, but are still required to compete against NFAA Pros.

Revision, By-Laws, Page 36, Article 3, Section D, Para 1, Item 1.3-1.4

Proposed changes:

Article III, Section D, Para 1.3

~~1.3 Professional archers from any other archery organization who wish to compete in the NFAA must pay NFAA membership, plus Pro dues and compete in a NFAA Professional Division or Championship Division, at all NFAA State, Sectional and National tournaments and any NFAA or NFAAF sanctioned tournament.~~

Article III, Section D, Para 1.4

~~1.4 Archers from any other archery organization that compete in a Semi Pro division where the description of that division by the other archery organization is classified as nonprofessional, shall be recognized by the NFAA as nonprofessional archers. Archers that compete in a Professional Division or Professional Class in any other archery organization and have earned in excess of \$300 within the past 12 months must become a member of and compete in the NFAA Professional Division or Championship Division at any NFAA or NFAAF Sanctioned event at State, Sectional or National level.~~

C-01: FL moved to adopt, NC 2nd. Passed.

The current writing of the NFAA Constitution & By-Laws uses the term "sanctioned" in three very different contexts.

- 1) The definition of an NFAA-sanctioned event
- 2) Professional-sanctioned event - which applies only to the Professional divisions
- 3) Sanctioned-Leagues.

1. The definition of an NFAA-sanctioned event. The only events that are considered NFAA-sanctioned are events hosted directly by the NFAA or an NFAA state affiliate. This would include state, sectional, or national Championship events. NFAA Clubs and Shops are not currently eligible to host NFAA-sanctioned events unless it is a state or sectional championship. Any additional event that is hosted by a club, even if they are following NFAA rules and regulations, is not considered an "NFAA-sanctioned round".

2. Professional-sanctioned events are for the purpose of governance of the NFAA Professional divisions only. Any event that submits a Professional-Sanctioning form agrees to follow the rules set forth by Article III, Section D of the By-Laws, which covers the Professional dress code, Professional earnings, Professional equipment rules, Professional payout chart, and Professional membership. The NFAA also agrees to provide a website and magazine calendar listing for these events and to market to the NFAA Professional division to encourage participation.

3. Sanctioned Leagues - By-Laws ARTICLE VII, The NFAA Indoor League Program. An NFAA club or shop may sanction an NFAA league for the use of NFAA league materials and awards.

The Professional-sanctioned events were designed at a time when Pro points were used. When Pro points were removed from the Constitution, the Pro-sanctioning events ceased to have a need to exist. The Tournament Sanction process should be removed.

To further grow the roster of NFAA-licensed events, such as those hosted by clubs, a program will be designed. The program should have various tiers to accommodate events of different sizes and offer different levels of benefits, such as advertising, merchandising, and marketing.

Revision, By-Laws, Page 38, Article III, Section D, Para 5, Item 5.1-5.4

As written:

5. Tournament Sanction:

5.1 Tournament sponsors wishing sanction of their tournament by this division shall furnish the NFAA Executive Secretary a letter of guarantee verifying an obligation to make payment of the advertised purse. Sanction fee would be \$50.00; \$40.00 of which will be added to the Pro Division tournament guarantee fund and \$10.00 to the NFAA treasury. This division may furnish a consultant for advisory assistance for said sanction fee if requested.

5.2 Must be negotiated with NFAA 3 months prior to shoot date.

5.3 Upon sanction, a notice will be sent to the Pro Division membership.

5.4 The decision to negotiate a "sanction tournament" will be at the discretion of the Executive Secretary, the Pro Division Chairman and the NFAA President.

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C-11: CA moved to adopt, ID 2nd. Passed.

In 2019, the NFAA extended its partnership with Break the Barriers to include the Break the Barriers & NFAA 3D Open. The 2-day event featured 3D targets, shot over 2 days, with 12 (orange dot), 10, 8, 5 scoring. In 2022, the NFAA 1-Arrow Marked 3D National Championship was added to the policy section on a 1-year trial basis. Given the success of the tournament and the benefits from the partnership between the NFAA and Break the Barriers, current host of the NFAA 1-Arrow Marked 3D National Championship, it is proposed that the tournament is added into the Constitution.

Revision, By-Laws, Page 42, Article IV, Section A, Para 1 Item

As written:

1. A National Outdoor Championship Tournament, National Indoor Championship Tournament, and a National Marked 3-D Championship Tournament shall be provided annually, at a time and place to be determined by a 2/3-majority vote of the NFAA Council. A National Unmarked 3-D Championship Tournament may also be provided annually, at a time and place to be determined by a 2/3 majority vote of the NFAA Council. An annual National Outdoor Target Championship to be held at NFAA Headquarters with two rounds. Day 1 – NFAA 900 Target Round, Day 2 – NFAA Classic 600 Target Round.

Proposed change:

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C-03: MA moved to adopt, NC 2nd. Passed.

The NFAA is now taking registration for sectional events directly from members instead of the members registering through their host location. To encourage early registration, decrease NFAA staff time processing late registrations, and assist the sectional host in preparing for the event with a more accurate registration number in advance, the NFAA proposes that late registration fees for sectional events can be charged at the discretion of NFAA HQ. Currently, late registration at all national events incurs a late fee; this change would make both sectional and national registration consistent with regard to the late fee expectation. It is the intent of the Council that late fees will be split 50/50 between HQ and the Host Club.

Additionally, Article IV, Section B, Para 8, establishes the NFAA determines the awards for sectional tournaments. This is contradictory to Article 6, Section K, Para 4, Item 4.2-4.3 which declares the exact types of sectional awards given to Pros and Non-Pros at sectional 3-D tournaments. The removal of the latter will clarify and remove the contradiction.

Revision, By-Laws, Page 43-44, 60; Article 4, 6; Section B, K; Para 8, 4; Item 8.1, 4.2- 4.3

Proposed change:

Article IV, Section B

~~8. The entry fees, awards, and any or all other conditions for these tournaments, except late registration, shall be established by NFAA with approval by the Council.~~

~~8.1 Late registration will be at the discretion of the NFAA Directors of that section. At sectional tournaments, where late fees have been established, clubs hosting Sectional tournaments may retain the full value of the late registration fee.~~

Article VI, Section K

~~4.2 At sectional tournaments, the Non Pro classes will compete for Plaques, patches, and medals. 4.3 At both National and Sectional tournaments, the Pros will compete in the Money Class in their division. Cash awards and a Plaque and patch for first place only.~~

C-10: MA moved to adopt, NC 2nd. Passed.

1. For tournament scoring rules, the penalty for shooting excess arrows in an end does not include the penalty of an X if applicable as listed in the rules for Indoor Rounds, Article VI, Section E, Para 5.8.

2. For tournament round rules, the implication for shooting less than the prescribed number of arrows per end is not addressed.

The addition of these rules will provide consistency across all NFAA round types and ensure clarification is met.

New Item, Revision, By-Laws, Page 47-48, Article 4, Section J, Para 11 / 16

The following item to be revised in Para 11:

1. If an archer shoots more than the prescribed number of arrows in an end, the excess arrow or arrows of higher value will not be scored. A penalty of one scoring ring (1 point and 1 X if applicable) will be assessed for each arrow shot over the prescribed number of arrows.

The following item to be added as Para 16:

2. If an archer shoots less than the prescribed number of arrows in one end he/she may shoot his/her remaining arrows if the omission is discovered prior to advancing to the target; otherwise, they shall be scored as misses.

C-04: Moved. 2nd. Passed.

Currently, the Constitution and By-Laws do not clarify the protocol in the event that the wrong target or wrong round is shot at a tournament.

New Item, Policy, Page 94

2023: In the event that the wrong target or the wrong round is shot during an NFAA sanctioned tournament, the round or target being used will stand as it is shot. No records will be set.

C-07: MA moved to adopt, ME 2nd. Passed.

It can be difficult for NFAA clubs and shops to obtain range inspections in a timely manner. This negatively impacts the number of ranges that can be certified and the number of NFAA clubs and shops that can host NFAA tournaments. The proposal to allow self-guided range inspections will alleviate this issue and stream line the process. The self-guided range inspections will be permitted for all Indoor and Outdoor Target ranges and Field and 3D range renewals provided no range layout changes have occurred. The NFAA Director will still be required to review and approve all completed inspection forms, and the NFAA will require pictures and/or videos as needed to ensure range safety and range requirements are met.

Secondly, the ability of the NFAA Council to modify and approve range requirements as needed will help ensure all Range Inspection Forms are kept up-to-date with current standards and the most critical safety requirements are being met.

The range certification process is explained and range inspection forms are currently available on the NFAA Website -> Get Involved -> Range Certifications.

Revision, By-Laws, Page 57-58/79-84; Article 6/18; Section G / 57-58, Para 3-4 / 1-15; Item 3.1-3.6 & 4.1-4.3

Proposal to be added/revised as written:

ARTICLE XVIII SECTION B

1. The NFAA recognizes as official only tournaments held on NFAA approved courses and makes no awards for competition on any other course. For all new Outdoor Field and 3-D course certifications or when the course layout for a previously-certified Outdoor Field or 3-D course has been modified, the NFAA Director or his designated representative must inspect courses. Anyone who is designated to represent the Director must be a member in good standing of the NFAA. The NFAA Director or his designated representative are not required to re-inspect Outdoor Field and 3-D courses for previously-certified ranges provided no course layouts have been modified.
2. To obtain course certification, the NFAA chartered club/shop must complete the appropriate Range Inspection Form and pay the range certification fee. Upon completion, the NFAA Director shall sign the Range Inspection Form to grant approval.
3. The NFAA Director or his/her delegate shall be reimbursed at the current NFAA rate by a club/shop or association for travel incurred to inspect a new Outdoor Field or 3-D course or a previously certified one with a modified layout.
4. If course certification is completed within a month period from the effective date of a new charter, no range certification fee will be required for the initial approval.
5. The Range Inspection Form is valid for two years. A new Range Inspection Form must be completed by the club/shop and signed by the NFAA Director to re-certify all ranges. The range certification fee applies for all renewals.
6. Requirements and course rating system for certified ranges shall be established and approved by the NFAA Council.

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ARTICLE XVIII SECTION B

1. The NFAA recognizes as official only tournaments held on NFAA approved courses and makes no awards for competition on any other course. *For all new Outdoor Field and 3-D course certifications or when the course layout*

- for a previously-certified Outdoor Field or 3-D course has been modified, the NFAA Director, or his designated representative must inspect courses. ~~Any one that~~ Anyone who is designated to represent the Director must be a member in good standing of the NFAA. ~~The NFAA Director or his designated representative are not required to re-inspect Outdoor Field and 3-D courses for previously-certified ranges provided no course layouts have been modified.~~*
- 2. ~~Any NFAA chartered club/shop having a range will have it inspected for safety by the NFAA State Director or his designated representative every two years. When inspecting a Bowhunter range the NFAA Director will use the course layout regulations and the safety regulations that pertain to a marked or unmarked Bowhunter range. To obtain course certification, the NFAA chartered club/shop must complete the appropriate Range Inspection Form and pay the range certification fee. Upon completion, the NFAA Director shall sign the Range Inspection Form to grant approval.~~*
 - 3. ~~To get a course approved, by the NFAA, the club secretary/shop manager must contact the NFAA Director for that geographical area. The Director will provide the necessary forms and arrange for inspection. The Director or his designated representative must conduct the inspection. Inspection forms shall be made in triplicate, with one copy being retained by the club, one retained by the Director, and one forwarded to NFAA Headquarters.~~*
 - 4. ~~The NFAA Director or his/her delegate shall be reimbursed at the current NFAA rate by a club/shop or association for travel incurred to inspect their course/range. a new Outdoor Field or 3-D course or a previously-certified one with a modified layout.~~*
 - 5. ~~After inspection has been made, the NFAA Director or his delegate has been reimbursed for travel incurred, and the completed forms have been reviewed and signed by the NFAA Director or his designated representative, they shall be forwarded to NFAA Headquarters, together with the \$15.00 course approval fee. This fee covers either an outdoor range approval or an indoor range approval. The club/shop shall then be issued the appropriate course rating certificate(s).~~*
 - 6. ~~If course approval certification is completed within a month period from the effective date of new charter, no fee will be required for the initial approval.~~*
 - 7. ~~Course approval shall expire two years from the date of issue except when a change is made in the course, or a higher rating is desired. In each instance, a new course approval must be obtained. Procedures as outlined in subsections 3 and 4 of this section must be followed. The \$15.00 course approval fee will apply. The Range Inspection Form is valid for two years. A new Range Inspection Form must be completed by the club/shop and signed by the NFAA Director to re-certify all ranges. The range certification fee applies for all renewals.~~*

Strike all content in Article XVIII Section B, Para 11-15 & Article VI Section G, Para 3-4 and replace with the following under Article XVIII Section B:

Requirements and course rating system for certified ranges shall be established and approved by the NFAA Council.

C-08: NC moved to adopt, AZ 2nd. Passed.

In order to grow the number of judges at local, State, Sectional and National tournament, the NFAA Tournament Officials Program should be revamped. The new program should include clear requirements, different certification levels, and a layout of classes that can be taken online and renewed periodically. Annual Council review of the program will ensure all needs are being met through content and implementation, and will allow for the program to be adjusted to meet evolving needs when appropriate.

Revision, Policy, Page 90, Section 2014

As written:

2014: NFAA Tournament Officials Program 3 Levels of Certification: Certified Judge, Advanced Judge, National Judge Advanced Judge or National Judge can teach Certified Judge. On-line course with a test to also become a Certified Judge. To become an Advanced Judge, you must be observed by a National Judge who will approve your advancement. The NFAA Council will appoint the initial National Judges and a National Judges Committee. Once formed, it will be the responsibility of this

committee to promote Advanced Judges to National Judges. All Judges will have a uniform shirt purchased from the NFAA. Anyone Judging will use NFAA supplies (magnifiers, whistle, lights, shirts, etc.) Costs: \$25 for the Course plus the cost of supplies. NFAA Judges will be required to be present at National Indoor Tournaments. To advance to Advanced Judge or National Judge, you will also be required to pass a written test. The fee for the test will be \$15.

Proposed changes:

~~2014: NFAA Tournament Officials Program 3 Levels of Certification: Certified Judge, Advanced Judge, National Judge. Advanced Judge or National Judge can teach Certified Judge. On-line course with a test to also become a Certified Judge. To become an Advanced Judge, you must be observed by a National Judge who will approve your advancement. The NFAA Council will appoint the initial National Judges and a National Judges Committee. Once formed, it will be the responsibility of this committee to promote Advanced Judges to National Judges. All Judges will have a uniform shirt purchased from the NFAA. Anyone Judging will use NFAA supplies (magnifiers, whistle, lights, shirts, etc.) Costs: \$25 for the Course plus the cost of supplies. NFAA Judges will be required to be present at National Indoor Tournaments. To advance to Advanced Judge or National Judge, you will also be required to pass a written test. The fee for the test will be \$15.~~

New Item, Policy, Page 94, Section 2023

A Judge Certification Program shall be established and approved by the Council with an annual review of the program content and details as needed.

C-02: MA moved to adopt, NC 2nd. Passed.

As we look to grow participation and member retention at the collegiate age-level, we are requesting the opportunity to add Collegiate Divisions at all NFAA events. Each event organizer will have the option to include (or not include) the collegiate divisions. The proposed divisions are in line with current collegiate archery events and programs, including The Vegas Shoot.

The current agenda item is a proposed policy extension to add collegiate divisions on a trial basis for the next 4 years (2024-2027). Based on the results of the events and feedback received, an agenda item will be proposed for the 2027 Board of Directors meeting to be added to the NFAA Constitution.

Revision, Policy, Page 94, Article 2022

NFAA Collegiate Divisions

The NFAA will offer the following collegiate divisions in **2024, 2025, 2026, 2027** as optional divisions for all NFAA events hosted throughout the calendar year (state, sectional, and national):

Male & Female –

Freestyle

Freestyle Limited Recurve

Barebow Recurve

Bowhunter Freestyle

Each event organizer will have the option to include (or not include) the collegiate divisions. If an event chooses to offer collegiate divisions, they must offer all four shooting styles in a male and female category.

All regular membership requirements will be enforced, plus an additional collegiate eligibility form. Collegiate participants must be enrolled full-time at a two- or four-year college, university, or technical school. **Professional archers who are eligible for the collegiate division will be allowed to participate in both divisions.**

C-06: MA moved to adopt, KS 2nd. Passed.

There is no screening process for selecting Guardian Angels who accompany Cub groups around field and 3D courses. This is a potential liability for NFAA and safety issue for Cub archers. To preserve the safety of Cubs, Guardian Angels who serve at national and sectional events need to be screened prior to the event.

New Item, Policy, Page 94, Section 2023

Proposed change:

For all national and sectional tournaments where Guardian Angels are used to accompany Cub groups, the NFAA Council shall determine the process for screening individuals to serve as Guardian Angels and the number of required pre-screened individuals required to be onsite for each tournament. The requirements shall be outlined in the national and sectional contracts.

C-12: FL moved to adopt, NC 2nd. Passed. DISCUSSED PRIOR TO NFAA BUDGET DISCUSSION.

The general increase of the cost of living across the US has negatively impacted revenue and operations. To improve the NFAA's financial stability, an increase in dues should be considered. It is worth noting that NFAA dues have not changed in recent years.

Revision, Constitution, Page 24, Article XII, Sections A, C, J, K, M

Proposed Increases:

Item/Event	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
NFAA Membership		
NFAA Adult Ind/HOH	\$40	\$50
NFAA 1st Add	\$10	\$15
NFAA 2nd-4th Add	\$5	\$10
Junior Ind/HOH	\$15	\$25
State Charters (<1,000 members)	\$50	\$100
State Charters (>1,000 members)	\$100	\$150
Club New/Renew	\$30	\$35
Shop New/Renew	\$30	\$35
Range Inspections	\$15	\$20
Physical Membership Card	\$1	\$2

See spreadsheets received at BOD meeting for additional information.

15 (7) Sig items

FL-4: FL moved to adopt, NC 2nd. Failed.

FL-9: No motion to adopt. No Action.

FL-2: FL moved to adopt, AZ 2nd. Failed.

AZ-06: No motion to adopt. No Action.

AZ-08: AZ moved to adopt, CA 2nd. Passed.

Barebow Recurve participation is increasing recreationally and at the tournament level. NFAA is not experiencing this increase in participation. To increase participation in NFAA events, it is recommended to match World Archery's rules for allowed location of weights on the riser.

World Archery Book three Chapter 11.4.6.1

Vibration dampeners are permitted. They may be installed in the riser by the manufacturer, or by attaching aftermarket dampeners directly to the riser or to weight(s). Any combination of weight(s) and vibration dampener(s) must pass through a ring with an inside diameter of 12.2 cm (+/- 0.5mm) without having to flex vibration dampeners to fit through the 12.2 cm ring. A riser manufacturer's angled stabilizer insert(s) are allowed, but angular brackets or connectors are not permitted. Weight(s) and dampener(s) may be added below and above the riser's grip, but must not aid the athlete in aiming or ranging in any way.

To increase participation:

Allow weights on any part of the riser to match World Archery rules-this will eliminate the need for archers to change their setups in order to compete at NFAA tournaments. Below are 2023 Barebow Recurve statistics as of August 16, 2023: The Vegas Shoot had the highest tournament participation.

USA Archery Barebow	2023	2023	2023 AZ	2023	2023 So	2023	2023	2023	2023
	Indoor	Joad		Gator			College	Outdoor	
	Nationals	Nationals	Cup	Cup	Cal	Buckeye	Nationals	Nat	Age
Barebow Recurve Senior Men	178		22	14	14	21		48	297
Barebow Recurve Senior Women	128		15	12	17	17		31	220
Barebow Recurve U21 Men	29	8	4	7	3	7			58
Barebow Recurve U21 Women	51	9	4	4	3	6			77
Barebow Recurve U18 Men	27	17	7	9	11	7			78
Barebow Recurve U18 Women	53	23	10	8	12	15			121
Barebow Recurve U15 Men	21	10							31
Barebow Recurve U15 Women	25	11							36
Barebow Recurve U13 Men	11	6							17
Barebow Recurve U13 Women	12	15							27
Barebow Recurve 50+ Men	114		15	14	7	12		25	187
Barebow Recurve 50+ Women	48		10	9	7	14		16	104
Barebow Recurve Collegiate Men	76						38		114
Barebow Recurve Collegiate Women	97						47		144
	870	99	87	77	74	99	85	120	1511

NFAA Tournament Data	2023	2023	2023	2022	2023	2022	Total by
	Target	Indoor	Vegas	target	Darrington	Mechani	
	Nationals	Nationals	Shoot	Nationals	Field Nat	csburg	Age
Barebow Recurve Flights			274				274
Championship Barebow Recurve			50				50
Barebow Recurve Adult Female		2	12			1	14
Barebow Recurve Adult Male		0	32			7	44
Barebow Recurve Senior Female		0	2			2	4
Barebow Recurve Senior Male		0	15		4	10	30
		2	61	324	4	20	416

Revision, By-Laws, Page 34, Article II, Section I, Para 5, Item Weights And dampeners on riser

Revise Paragraph 5 to say:

Weights and / or vibration dampeners are permitted. The bow, with any combination of weight(s) and vibration dampener(s) installed must meet the requirement of paragraph 6 (must pass through a ring with an inside diameter of 12.2 cm (+/- 0.5mm)) without having to flex vibration dampeners to fit through the ring. Weight(s) and dampener(s) may be added below and above the riser's grip, but must not aid the athlete in aiming or ranging in any way.

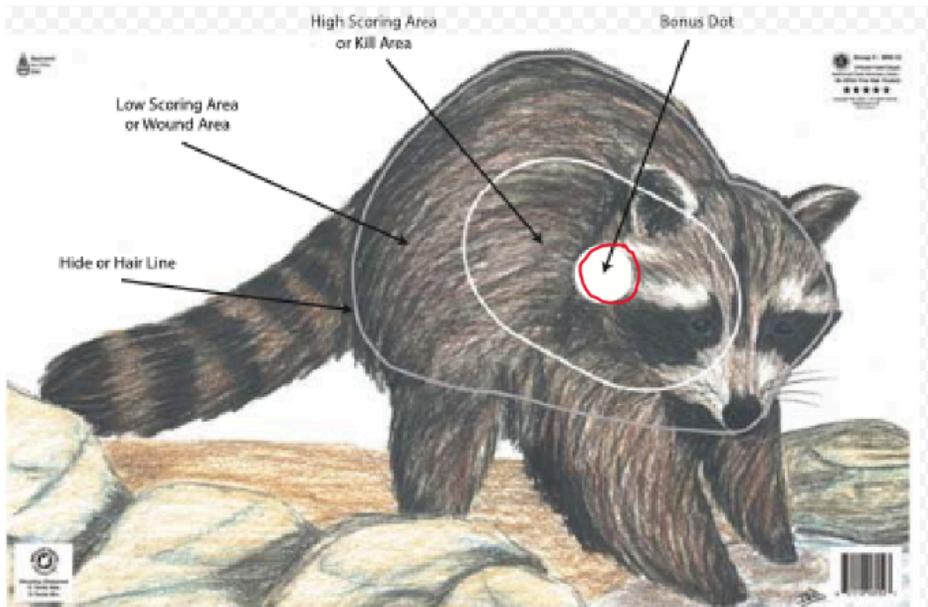
AZ-09: previously addressed under CA-03. No motion to adopt. No Action.

FL-3: FL moved to adopt, AZ 2nd. Failed.

FL-1: Item was removed/withdrawn by Author.

AZ-07: AZ moved to adopt, CA 2nd. Passed.

There is an outline of a circle printed on the target as a guide to place the bonus dot. The bonus dots are sold separately. Sometimes the dots are accidentally put onto the target face off-center of the circle. This causes confusion because the rule says the arrow has to touch the line to receive the higher score. Many archers are confused about what line to use; the line of the circle or the edge of the dot. See below image - I drew an imaginary line in red of where the circle may be on the animal vs. how a dot can be put on off- center. If the arrow touches the red line on the right side but does not touch the dot, how will it score? This is confusing to archers because the line is open to interpretation Maple Leaf can make this a transitional change and phase out their old inventory that requires manually placing the aiming dot on the target face.



Revision, Page 52, Article VI, Section C, Para 2, Item 2.1

Change paragraph 2.1 from

The targets for this round are animal targets with the scoring area divided into two parts. The high scoring area is oblong while the low scoring area is the area between the high scoring area and the "hide and hair" line or "feathers", as the case may be. The area between the "hide and hair" line to the outside of the carcass is considered a non-scoring area. A bonus dot (valued one point) is located in the middle of the high scoring area and colored white on dark targets and black on light targets. This bonus dot will be mandatory at NFAA National and Sectional Field Championships and optional at other events. An arrow shaft need only touch the scoring line to be counted in the next higher value.

Proposed change:

The targets for this round are animal targets with the scoring area divided into **three** parts. The high scoring area is oblong while the low scoring area is the area between the high scoring area and the “hide and hair” line or “feathers”, as the case may be. The area between the “hide and hair” line to the outside of the carcass is considered a non-scoring area. A bonus dot (valued one **additional** point) is located in the middle of the high scoring area and colored white on dark targets and black on light targets. **The bonus dot scoring** will be mandatory at NFAA National and Sectional Field Championships and optional at other events. **An arrow shaft must touch the bonus dot to be counted in the next higher value. Arrows touching the orientation line will not count for the higher value.**

It is recommended that the manufacturer print future targets with the bonus dot included. Old stock that has the orientation circle for the bonus dot is permitted until the old stock is depleted.

FL-7: FL moved to adopt, TN 2nd. Failed.

FL-8: FL moved to adopt. No 2nd. No Action.

FL-5: FL moved to adopt. No 2nd. No Action.

FL-6: FL moved to adopt. No 2nd. No Action.

FL made a motion to suspend Roberts Rules of Order. CA 2nd. Voting took place by show of hands, motion failed.

Tabled item Pro 03 brought back for discussion. See above.

Proposed 2024 Budget: Financial Reports and proposed 2024 NFAA Budget was reviewed. MI moved to accept proposed budget. TN 2nd. Budget was approved by electronic vote.

Adjournment: MI motioned to adjourn. NE 2nd. Meeting adjourned 6:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Anderson

NFAA Executive Secretary/Associate Executive Director

Changes will become effective January 1st, 2024