

NFAA 3-D MARKED AND UNMARKED RANGE INSPECTION CHECKLIST

This guide is only meant to serve as a checklist for range certifications and is provided for your convenience. The official Range Inspection Form must be submitted via the online form found on nfaausa.com.

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	Section 1: General Course Layout & Safety Requirements		
		Yes	No
1	No paths leaving targets go directly behind target bales.		
2	Paths between targets are conspicuously marked and clear enough for easy walking with no obstructions.		
3	A minimum of 50 yards is provided as a buffer area behind the target free of any path, target, road, or building. The entire buffer area must be on the range property even if the adjoining property is vacant. An appropriate backstop may be substituted.		
4	If present, the practice area is placed so that no paths or roads pass a reasonable distance be- hind practice bales. Practice area is treated as a giant-sized target, and so cleared and backed.		
5	Targets are placed in shooting lanes to simulate hunting conditions, but at the same time, these shots are good, clean (not clear) and safe shots.		
6	Shooting stakes are marked with target numbers or a separate target number marker is present. For marked 3-D course, the stake is labeled with the corresponding yardage.		
7	A minimum ranging from 25 feet to 50 feet is provided between any paths or shooting lanes paralleling another shooting lane. This minimum range permits tolerance to be used, depending upon terrain or length of shot. Any distance used must preserve absolute safety.		
8	Any person, regardless of height, has a clear view of the entire target vitals from the shooting stakes.		
9	All target butts or their frames are stable so there is no danger of tipping. If such a chance exists, then they must be braced or anchored. They must be firmly attached to any supports or framing.		
10	Distance on either side of a target to be free from archer's ranges from 15 to 30 degrees from the shooting position, depending upon conditions and length of shot. (Example: For a 40-yard target; 120 feet, tangent 30 degrees, equals 120 X (0.57735) equals 68 feet clear distance on each side of the butt (about 23 yards). If 30 degrees is used, then the factor is always 0.57735.) Note: This does not mean all clear, but only that no shooting positions, waiting areas, etc., are located in this area. The entire buffer area must be on the range property even if the adjoining property is vacant.		
11	No target is situated on top of a hill where a miss becomes a flight arrow.		
12	"Warning" or "Caution" signs are placed around the range boundary lines to deter people from crossing onto the property.		
13	Directional signs are placed at reasonable distances around the course with stated warnings to not walk through the course backwards.		
14	A sign is present prior to entering the course that provides details of range rules, procedures, and emergency phone numbers.		
15	If present, bow racks and other accessories are of a design and position as to not create a hazard to equipment or personnel.		

16	If simulated moving targets are incorporated into the range, they are operated from behind the shooting position.	
17	Bales or butts do not leak arrows. Reinforcement material will not damage arrows. If at any time butts begin to allow pass-through arrows, the range representative acknowledges the condition must be corrected at once.	
18	The course offers appropriate restroom facilities. It is most desirable that these restrooms should meet the minimum requirements provided by the laws of their state or townships. Such requirements can be obtained from the local county Board of Health. Note: Due to the condition of many of these facilities, city or county Board of Health affidavits should be required. A "Privy Law" is on the books of every state of the nation. Each city, county and township also have its own requirements and very often is stricter than the state's.	
19	The Inspector has been provided with a map of the range layout that shows distances, direction, targets, and shooting positions. This map must be submitted to NFAA Headquarters with the completed Approval Form.	
20	In the opinion of the inspector, there are no safety hazards present on the course.	

Section 2: Amenities								
	Yes	No		Yes	No			
Wi-Fi			Permanent Range					
Cellular Service			Handicap Accessible					
Adult League or Classes			Food & Beverage Available					
Youth League or Classes			Children's Playground					
24/7 Access for Members			Electricity					
Public Access			Running Water					
Equipment Storage			Other					