

**CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF
LOUISIANA FIELD ARCHERY ASSOCIATION**

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of this organization shall be the Louisiana Field Archery Association, indicated in the abbreviation as LFAA.

**ARTICLE II
PURPOSE**

- A. To unite the Field Archery Clubs of Louisiana into one organized unit that will work more uniformly and effectively in providing for the development of the sport of archery in conformance with the will of a majority of the membership.
- B. To provide the basic plan by which individual archers may join together to form local clubs in order to regulate the sport within Louisiana and in order to have membership in the State and National Organization.
- C. To foster, expand, promote and perpetuate, the practice of Field Archery and other archery games as the association may adopt, and enforce uniform rules established by the NFAA.
- D. To encourage the use of the bow in the hunting of all-legal game birds, and animals and to protect, improve and increase hunting with the bow and arrow.
- E. To conduct a continuous educational program designed to acquaint the public and the archer with the use of the bow as a recreation and a weapon suitable for hunting all legal game.
- F. To conduct tournaments to determine state championships in all archery games adopted by the association and provide sanctions for tournaments held at league and club levels.
- G. To foster and perpetuate a spirit of good fellowship and sportsmanship among all archers.
- H. To cooperate with the Federal and State agencies and Sportsmen and Conservation organizations in the propagation and preservation of game and its natural habitat.
- I. To evolve and conduct programs that will give recognition to archery's proficiency with the bow and arrow in all sanctioned competition and hunting accomplishments.
- J. To regularly inform each member, in good standing, of the major problems and issues affecting the sport of archery in order that the membership may make its will known to their duly elected representatives.

**ARTICLE III
AFFILIATION**

The LFAA shall be affiliated with the National Field Archery Association.

ARTICLE IV MEMBERSHIP

A. Club/Shop Membership:

Club/Shop membership shall be granted to clubs and shops that support the principles of and abide by the rules, regulations, procedures and policies adopted by the LFAA upon approval of Club/Shop charter by the NFAA and LFAA under NFAA By-Laws, Article XVIII, Section A 1-7.

1. Club/Shop shall pay the proper affiliation dues as established by the LFAA.
2. Any Club/Shop chartered by the NFAA/LFAA shall have all rights, privileges, delegate representation and voting rights afforded under the LFAA Constitution and By-Laws.
3. Inactive Club/Shop – Any Club/Shop not holding a registered tournament or does not attend one (1) Board Meeting in a one (1) year period (July 1st – June 30th).
4. In order to be granted membership in the LFAA, a Club/Shop must:
 - a. Have a constitution and by-laws consistent with the standards approved by the LFAA Board of Directors, and file a copy of this document with the LFAA Secretary.
 - b. LFAA is under the direct billing program of the National Field Archery Association. All dues are paid directly to the NFAA. Once the NFAA has received said fees; disbursement is made to the state.
 - c. Agree to register all invitational tournaments with the LFAA Secretary and furnish a complete schedule of events for the coming year to the LFAA Secretary.
 - d. Any Club/Shop will be allowed in rotation to host State LFAA tournaments.

B. Individual Membership:

Individual membership shall be granted as follows:

1. Application to the secretary of the local affiliated with the LFAA and payment of Club/Shop and LFAA membership dues to the NFAA/LFAA.
2. The title category for individual membership shall be as follows:
 - a. Adult annual membership shall be granted to any individual 18 years of age or older upon payment of dues. This membership may be approved or rejected by the LFAA Board of Directors. (See Fees and Dues Article 1 of By-Laws).
 - b. Youth annual membership shall be granted to an individual under 18 years of age upon payment of dues. This membership may be approved or rejected by the LFAA Board of Directors.

C. Loss of Membership:

1. Club/Shop may be suspended or expelled for failure to abide by the rules and regulations of the LFAA or any other action deemed detrimental to the success of the LFAA.
 - a. Failure to pay membership fees and dues with deadlines established by the LFAA Board of Directors.
 - b. Failure to furnish a correct roster of officers and members to the LFAA Secretary at time for payment of membership fees and dues.

2. Any Category of individual membership may be expelled for court convictions of felonies, membership in subversive organizations, violation of Federal and State game laws and may be expelled or suspended for misconduct, contumacious conduct, poor sportsmanship and failure to abide by the rules and regulations of the LFAA.
3. Action to expel or suspend any category of individual membership shall be initiated in writing and submitted to the LFAA President and the Board of Directors by the club.
4. Action to expel or suspend any category of membership shall be sustained upon approval by two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. Otherwise, the action will be nullified and the category of membership exonerated.

D. Reinstatement of Membership:

1. The automatic suspension of membership shall be lifted and membership reinstated when the offending membership has furnished bona fide proof that the offending condition has been purged.
2. Any agency authorized to initiate action for expulsion or suspension may initiate action for the reinstatement of any category of membership that is in suspension. This action may be submitted in writing to the LFAA President and furnishing sufficient data to enable the Board of Directors to determine whether or not the offending conditions have been purged.
3. Action to reinstate any category of membership shall be sustained upon approval by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors.

E. Membership Cards:

1. All dues are paid directly to the NFAA. Membership cards are issued from NFAA headquarters.
2. Annual membership dues will become due one year after NFAA has received payment.
3. Official LFAA/NFAA forms and applications will be supplied upon request.

ARTICLE V MEMBERSHIP VOTING

- A. Adult membership in the LFAA granted in accordance with the constitution shall be entitled to one (1) vote, on questions submitted to the membership by the Board of Directors. Only adults, eighteen (18) years or older, who are current members of the NFAA/LFAA shall be entitled to one (1) vote on questions submitted to the membership by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. The Board of Directors shall consist of State President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer, National Director, Bowhunter Chairman and one (1) Club/Shop representative properly certified from each Club/Shop holding membership in the LFAA, such delegates being fully empowered to act for the Club/Shop so represented on all issues before the LFAA Board of Directors. Any Club/Shop may issue a proxy to any member of the LFAA Board of Directors. An inactive Club/Shop shall not be entitled to a representative on the Board of Directors.
- B. The Board of Directors being the fully constituted governing body of the LFAA and shall be responsible to the collective membership of the LFAA for the performance of the following functions:
 - 1. Annual Board of Director Meeting shall be held, when at all possible, within the month of August with the time and place being determined by the President of the LFAA.
 - 2. Consider and vote upon all proposed LFAA Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations changes at the Annual Board of Directors Meeting. All agreed upon changes will go into effect immediately after the meeting. Proposed agenda items shall be accepted by the secretary/treasurer and distributed to all the board members as early as possible prior to this meeting.
 - 3. Conduct deliberations in accordance with Robert Rules of Order, whether in quarterly sessions or sessions by mail or phone.
 - 4. Authorize the treasurer to pay bills incurred as a result of commitments made in accordance with the budget authorization.
 - 5. Consider and approve or reject items of expenses not included in the annual budget.
 - 6. Serve as nominating committee for general election of LFAA officers.
 - 7. Remove officers, executive committee members and salaried employees from office in accordance with Article IV C - Loss of membership.
 - 8. Establish annually, fees, dues and other sources of revenue required to defray operating expenses.
 - 9. Establish regions as the need arises.
 - 10. Establish policy and procedures to be followed in dealing with other archery organizations and with all other agencies affecting the NFAA.
 - 11. An inactive club shall not be entitled to a voting representative on the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- A. The Executive Committee shall be composed of the following: President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer, National Director, and Bowhunter Chairman.
- B. The Executive Committee shall within the limitations and policies set by the Board of Directors, be empowered to act on such affairs that are incident to the normal day to day operation of the LFAA.

ARTICLE VIII ROSTER OF OFFICERS

- A. The roster of officers of the LFAA shall be as follows: President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer (office combined), Bowhunting Chairman and National Director.
- B. The tenure of offices of the LFAA shall be as follows: President, Vice-President, Secretary-Treasurer and Bowhunting Chairman shall be one (1) year. National Director shall be two (2) years.
- C. The duties of the officers of the LFAA shall be as follows:
 - 1. President shall act as the chairman of the Board of Directors and shall:
 - a. Preside at the two meeting of the Board of Directors and at all called meetings of the Board of Directors whether or not these meetings are physical or called to order by mail or phone.
 - b. Preside at the general business meeting of the LFAA.
 - c. Conduct meetings in strict accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.
 - d. Appoint necessary committees within LFAA Board of Directors and LFAA memberships to expedite the activities and purpose of the LFAA. Two basic committees are as follows:
 - i. Tournament Committee which shall consist of one member from each Club/Shop.
 - ii. Bowhunter Committee which shall consist of one member from each Club/Shop.
- D. The Secretary/Treasurer of the LFAA shall be the custodian of funds of the LFAA deposited in a bank and shall be the only officer authorized to write checks against the account. He/she will render a financial report at the two scheduled meetings. He/she shall perform the following duties under the supervision of the President:
 - 1. The general supervision of the fiscal affairs of the association in accordance with the budget adopted by the Board of Directors.
 - 2. Publication of tournament schedules that the tournament committee provides official notices and attesting documents.
 - 3. To conduct the affairs of the association in accordance with the programs and policies as established by the LFAA Board of Directors and by the National Field Archery Association.
- E. National Director shall be informed and fully empowered to act for the LFAA in any and all issued before the NFAA Board of Directors. He shall attend and vote at all called Board of Directors of the NFAA whether meetings are physical, by mail or by phone. LFAA will pay \$50.00 per day per diem not to exceed \$500.00 to the National Director.
- F. Vice-President shall act as Tournament Director at State Field, State Indoor and State 3-D Tournaments, State 900 and Vegas State Indoor.
- G. Bowhunter Chairman will chair the Bowhunter Committee. Bowhunter Chairman will procure the Bowhunter awards for the annual banquet.

ARTICLE IX COMMITTEES

- A. Two basic committees-duties shall be as follows:
1. Bowhunting Committee is responsible for the entire program of bowhunting activities of LFAA which is intended to perpetuate and expand the sport of bowhunting, to this a special duty assignment is created in which the only concern of this office is an effective Bowhunter program.
 2. The Bowhunting Committee shall be responsible for the complete bowhunting program of the LFAA and specifically the following:
 - a. Establish proper conduct with the Louisiana Wildlife Federation, Inc. and other conservation authorities.
 - b. Provide thorough cooperation with the NFAA, educational Programs directed to the general public in the interest of better understanding of bowhunting and to provide an educational training program for better bowhunting skills and practices.
 - c. Provide LFAA sponsored or sanctioned competitive and non-competitive games to stimulate actual bow hunting conditions.
 - d. Initiate a LFAA Big Game Award Program and Small Game Award Program.
 - e. Initiate and schedule a series of annual LFAA bow hunting expeditions.
 - f. The Chairman of the Bowhunting Committee will provide for a smooth continuation and perpetuation of the committee contacts and knowledge gained during the terms of office.
 3. The Tournament Committee shall be responsible for the following functions:
 - a. A review and study of the LFAA tournament program and prepare resolutions recommending rules, procedures and regulations for conducting tournaments sponsored by the LFAA.
 - b. In cooperation with the respective Club/Shops, establish conditions for holding league or district championship tournaments.
 - c. Through contact with all affiliated Club/Shops, establish and publish a statewide tournament schedule of all LFAA sanctioned or sponsored tournaments by January 5th for the coming year or other such date as approved by the Executive Committee.
 - d. Review and study the LFAA tournament awards program and prepare resolutions recommending suitable rules and procedures to control and regulate the number of awards at Club/Shops, league, district and state tournaments and the method of presenting said awards.
 - e. Publish and promote the state tournament program, prepare and recommend procedures and methods for pre-tournament and post tournament publicity and advertising.

ARTICLE X AWARDS

- A. The flight system, classification system and unit rule of issuing awards shall coincide and automatically update to the changes in the NFAA, with exceptions noted in this Article.
1. All LFAA State Championship Tournaments shall award the top three places for each classification and division regardless the number of entries for young adult, youth, cub, pee wee, or any other youth participants.
- B. Bowhunting Awards - The following LFAA Bowhunting Awards shall be awarded annually as determined by the Bowhunting Committee. LFAA membership is required for eligibility.

The purpose of the bowhunting awards is to promote interest in hunting with the bow and arrow, and to encourage good sportsmanship, and to give recognition by this organization to its members who obtain game with the bow. All animals considered for the LFAA's annual awards shall have been taken during the twelve (12) months immediately prior to June 1st of the award year.

To be considered for the annual awards, pictures and supporting data for each animal shall be submitted to the Bowhunting Chairman or the LFAA Secretary by May 31st of the award year.

1. Bowhunter of the Year
 - a. This award shall be determined using the LFAA Point System for bow hunting awards (Exhibit A attached).
 - b. To be eligible for this award, any animal submitted shall be eligible for the NFAA's Art Young, Big Game, Small Game, Bowfishing and Global Hunter Awards.
2. Big Buck Award
 - a. This award shall be determined using the Pope & Young Scoring system for white-tailed deer. https://pope-young.org/records/score_chart.asp
 - b. To be eligible for this award, the white-tailed deer must have been taken in Louisiana, Mississippi, Arkansas or Texas. The buck shall be eligible for the NFAA's Art Young Big Game Award.
3. Big Game Hunter of the Year
 - a. All other big game animals taken worldwide, high fence hunts, guided hunts count in this category.
 - b. All animals count as 1 point. A cumulative point system will be used to determine the recipient.
 - c. All animals must have a picture and date sent to the Bowhunter Chairman.
 - d. Any animal submitted for the Big Game Hunter of the Year award cannot be submitted for the Big Buck award.

ANIMALS TAKEN MUST BE LEGAL GAME IN THE COUNTRY, STATE AND AREA THEY ARE TAKEN! THE HUNTER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR OBTAINING AND ABIDING ALL REGULATIONS FOR TAKING OF GAME.

- C. LFAA Adult Shooter of the Year (SOY) - Each year the SOYs will be awarded. One male and one female in the Adult age groups combined (Adult, Senior, Silver Senior and Master Senior). To participate in the SOY program, the archer must be a member of the LFAA in good standing.
1. The criteria for determining these two archers is as follows:
 - a. The system will be based upon a points system, which shall be calculated per shooting style in gender class. All adult age groups (A, S, SS, & MS) in a specific shooting style will all be combined together when calculating points. I.e. all FS no matter age group will be combined together; all BHFS will be combined; etc.
 - b. After points are calculated per shooting style, then these points will be combined per gender, and the archer with the most points will win.
 - c. Two primary factors in determining points is amount of competition, I.e. number of archers shooting in the class; and the ranking of the archer based upon score.
 - d. The potential maximum score that an archer can achieve is based upon the number of archers shooting in the class. With six or more archers in a class a maximum of 1.00 point is awarded for a first-place finish. With five archers in class .9 points will be awarded for first place finish; .8 points for four archers; .7 points for three; .6 points for two; and .5 points for one archer.
 - e. Points awarded for less than a first-place finish will be calculated by determining a factor (F) based upon the number of archers shooting in style, using the formula of $F = Mp/\#A$. Where Mp is maximum possible points and #A is number of archers shooting in the class. Example: If there are 10 archers in class the factor (F) is determined by dividing 1.0 by 10, which will give a factor of 0.1. This factor will be used in the following formula to determine the Archer's points (Ap): $Ap = Mp - F(R - 1)$; R is the ranking of the archer. Thus, for example, if an archer places third in a field of ten archers, his/her points would be calculated as:
 - i. $Ap = Mp - F(R - 1)$
 - ii. $Ap = 1.0 - 0.1(3-1)$
 - iii. $Ap = 1.0 - 0.1 (2)$
 - iv. $Ap = 1.0 - 0.2$
 - v. $Ap = 0.8$
 - f. 0.25 bonus points will be awarded for breaking a state record, not for setting a state record. Note: This is the state record in the age class the archer is shooting.
 - g. Only LFAA State tournaments (International, Indoor, Vegas Indoor, 3D, Outdoor & 900) will generate points. The five highest point totals from these tournaments will count toward the SOY totals.
 - h. To qualify for shooter of the year, an archer must shoot in at least four of the following tournaments: International, Vegas Indoor, Indoor, 3D, 900, and Outdoor Championship tournament.
 2. The awards shall be given out at the LFAA banquet.
 3. The calculations discussed above should be considered guidelines, and not hard rules; but for the LFAA to choose a SOY that is not as per calculation, should require a unanimous vote; and that an explanation why should be posted both on official media and discussed at the LFAA Banquet.
 4. After each year the system shall be evaluated by the board to determine the performance of the system, and how to improve if necessary.
 5. The standings will be posted on LFAA official media after each state shoot.

ARTICLE XI HANDICAPS

The classification and/or handicap system will be in accordance with NFAA and administered by LFAA.

ARTICLE XII RANGE APPROVAL

Range approval and inspection will be administered by the LFAA according to system and standards established by the NFAA.

ARTICLE XIII FISCAL YEAR

The Board of Directors shall determine the fiscal year of the LFAA.

ARTICLE XIV GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

A meeting of the LFAA membership for the purpose of election of officers and any other general business pertinent to the membership may be held in conjunction with the last State Championship Tournament.

1. The method of election of officers shall be the will of a simple majority of eligible voters as described in Article V Section A of the constitution and by-laws of the LFAA. The names of eligible nominees shall be written on paper ballots and the results tallied immediately after all votes are cast. The LFAA secretary and any executive board members will count the votes and announce the results.
2. Nominations will be accepted from any eligible voter as described in Article V Section A of the LFAA constitution and by-laws of the LFAA. The names of nominees shall be submitted to the LFAA secretary within one month and up until a call for nominee by the LFAA President at the annual banquet. The list of nominees will be placed on the LFAA website for consideration of the membership.
3. The annual banquet will be the responsibility of the host club/shop to choose location and schedule.

ARTICLE XV AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be altered, amended or revised by a two-thirds vote of The Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XVI ADOPTION OF BY-LAWS

The LFAA shall adopt as its By-Laws the following:

- A. Playing rules and regulations of the game of field archery as established by the NFAA and any other games employing the use of bow and arrow and adopted by the LFAA.
- B. Specific detailed rules and regulations pertinent to the operation of LFAA such as fees and dues, annual championship tournament, annual convention and other regulations necessary.

ARTICLE XVII WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA

The LFAA uses multiple forms of media to get important information out to its membership, concerning tournament schedules, locations and results; rule changes; and any other information determined important by the LFAA President with the Executive Board.

- A. All forms of media with the LFAA (Louisiana Field Archery Association) name upon it should be owned and ultimately controlled by the LFAA President with the Executive Board.
- B. The webmaster(s) and social media administrator(s) must adhere to the decisions made by the LFAA President with the Executive Board. The webmaster(s) and social media administrator(s) cannot add to or change the website outside the responsibilities already given without permission of the LFAA leadership.
- C. The content of the website normally includes:
 - a. Tournaments schedule. This schedule must include LFAA State tournaments, NFAA National and Sectional tournaments, membership clubs/shops local tournaments (if given). The main schedule can also include other National, state and local tournaments that may be of interest to the membership, as determined by the Executive Board.
 - b. LFAA state tournament information.
 - c. LFAA state tournament results.
 - d. LFAA state records.
 - e. Shooter of the Year standings.
 - f. NFAA and LFAA constitutions and by-laws. Also included under this are other resources to make it easier for membership to understand the archery rules, both for archery tournaments and bowhunting awards.
 - g. Contact information and location of LFAA member clubs/shops.
 - h. Contact information for LFAA executive officers.
 - i. The website also possesses a blog that can be used to provide information on tournaments, archery styles, archery games, and any other information as determined by the LFAA President with the Executive Committee.
- D. The content of the social media account(s) may include:

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- a. Tournaments schedule. This schedule must include LFAA State tournaments, NFAA National and Sectional tournaments, membership clubs/shops local tournaments (if given).
- b. LFAA state tournament information and flyers. Also included here will be changes to tournament information that needs to get out to the membership quickly, such as cancelations, delays, etc.

BY- LAWS

ARTICLE I FEES AND DUES

- A. There shall be a charter fee of \$15.00 for the LFAA for newly affiliated Club/Shops and a \$30.00 fee for the NFAA, which will be payable to the NFAA in which they will distribute LFAA their fees once a month. This also includes range approval fees. After establishing charter, continued affiliation will be maintained on an annual basis by the payment of a recurring fee of \$15.00.
- B. Club/Shop charter, course approval and renewal will be handled according to the NFAA By-Laws, Article XVII.
- C. Annual dues for individual membership in the LFAA shall be \$20.00 and NFAA \$40.00. Junior membership is \$10.00 for LFAA and \$15.00 NFAA.
 - 1. Said fee shall include membership in the National Field Archery Association.
 - 2. Additional membership for the same family shall be \$5.00 each up to three family members, and \$1.00 each additional over three in the same family, thereby entitling each additional family member a membership in the NFAA/LFAA.
- D. LFAA fees and dues may be adjusted according to changes in the NFAA automatically.
- E. The LFAA Board of Directors may adjust LFAA membership dues and fees by a two-thirds majority vote.
- F. Fees for the annual LFAA Championship Tournaments will be \$40.00 for Adult and Senior Divisions; \$30.00 Young Adult, Youth and Cub; Family \$90.00 for a family of 3 and \$5.00 each after 3. Archer must be in good standing to compete.
- G. All fees collected will be divided as follows: LFAA will be responsible for all awards (plaques, trophies, metals and state championship patches). The host Club/Shop and the LFAA will split 60/40 the entry fees.
- H. Pro Division. Pro Division registration fee is \$40.00. A Pro must be a current member of the LFAA, not just a member of the Pro Division of the NFAA.

ARTICLE II ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES & PETS

No alcoholic beverages or controlled substances (drugs) may be carried or consumed on any range or practice area during shooting hours at any LFAA sponsored tournament. Anyone caught breaking this rule will be immediately disqualified and not allowed to complete the tournament. This includes tournament officials.

There will be no free roaming pets allowed on any archery range while a state tournament or activity is going on. If the pet was to cause an archer any discomfort, that archer may choose to shoot with another group. The owner of the pet may choose to shoot with another group that will accept the pet. The Tournament Director at any time may ask the member to leave if the pet becomes disruptive.

ARTICLE III SCHEDULING TOURNAMENTS

- A. All proposed dates by LFAA Affiliated Club/Shops for Tournaments must be in the hands of the Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer no later than December 1st or other such date as approved by the Executive Committee in order to establish a statewide tournament schedule to eliminate conflicting dates.
- B. The LFAA Board of Directors may meet for the purpose of arrangement of the yearly schedule prior to December 1st or any other such date as approved by the Executive Committee.
- C. The tournament schedule as decided shall be printed and mailed to all members of LFAA and posted on LFAA website (www.louisianafieldarchery.org) by January 5th or other such date as approved by the Executive Committee.
- D. In the case of a Natural Disaster or other such instant that prevents a hosting Club/Shop from being able to host the tournament they are scheduled for, one of the following actions will occur:
 - 1. If disaster or other such instant occurs within two weeks of the scheduled tournament, that tournament will be cancelled for that year, and the hosting club will have first bid for that tournament the following year.
 - 2. If the disaster or other such instant occurs more than two weeks prior to the scheduled tournament, the vice-president and secretary/treasurer will contact the next Shop/Club in the rotation to determine if it is possible for them to host the scheduled tournament on the date that it is scheduled. If the next Shop/Club is also unable to do so, then the Shop/Club rotation will be followed until a Shop/Club is found that is able to take on the responsibility of the scheduled tournament. If no Shop/Club is able to host the tournament as scheduled, that that tournament will be cancelled for that year, and the original hosting Shop/Club will have first bid for that tournament the following year.
 - 3. The only exception will be the LFAA Outdoor tournament, which should be held, if at all possible, even if it must be rescheduled for a later date.
- E. In order to host a state affiliated tournament, a club/shop must attend the annual board of directors' meeting, or have a representative present to accept such event. It has to be a positive yes; no maybe's or I might be able too.
- F. If a state affiliated club/shop hosting a state sanctioned tournament backs out of hosting their scheduled tournament, within 6 weeks of the scheduled date, they will be passed over for

- any state affiliated tournament the following year, only for reasons other than specified in Section D under this article above.
- G. If a state affiliated club/shop misses sending a delegate or submitting a proxy for two consecutive annual board of directors' meetings, they will be taken out of the rotation for any state affiliated tournament until they attend an annual meeting.
 - H. Any state affiliated club/shop hosting a state affiliated tournament will have a location and their commitment to host said event no later than 45 days after the annual board of directors' meeting, or the state affiliated tournament passes to the next club/shop in rotation.
 - I. If a state affiliated club/shop set to host a state affiliated tournament does not have the date for when they will host the tournament turned in by December 1st of that year, as outlined in Article III, Section A, then that club/shop loses their hosting rights; and the clubs/shops by rotation will be asked to host tournament until a club/shop agrees, and that club/shop will be awarded the hosting rights for that event, and must give a date within two weeks of acceptance.

ARTICLE IV SECTIONAL TOURNAMENTS

Southern Sectional Tournaments will be on a rotation basis. Per field, per indoor, per 3-D, to be separate. Southern Sectional Indoor is held the second weekend in March. Southern Sectional Outdoor is held the second weekend in June. Sectional Tournaments are held under the rules and regulations of the NFAA, Sectional Councilman and State Director. Reference NFAA By-Laws, Article IV Tournaments, B. Sectional Tournaments.

ARTICLE V LFAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENTS

All club/shops shall be afforded the opportunity of hosting a state championship tournament. The host club/shop for each championship will be determined at the Annual LFAA Board of Directors business meeting. The standard method of selecting the host club/shop will be by rotating counter-clockwise regionally from the previous year's hosting club/shop around the center of Louisiana. If the selected club/shop is unable or unwilling to host the event, the next club/shop in the rotation will gain the opportunity to host the event. The championship tournament will be passed one at a time until a host club/shop has been selected. A club/shop must be affiliated with the NFAA for a period of time of one year before a bid can be accepted. This requirement may be waived by a two-thirds majority vote of the board of directors. All efforts shall be made to disperse the events among all member club/shops fairly.

1. Three persons will be selected to be the Tournament Directors. The Vice-President is the Tournament Chairman. Time judges, line calls, safety officer and Directors will check bows to certify classification.

The host Club/Shop shall appoint a "Protest Committee" made up of the Tournament Director, two LFAA Board members and two additional LFAA members. The purpose of this committee is to settle any grievance or protest. Any grievance or protests must be filed in writing with the Tournament Committee within 30 minutes of the completion of competition with a \$50. This

protest must include the names of all parties and witnesses involved with the said grievance. It is the responsibility of the person or persons filing the grievance to have this information written own and signed by all parties involved. All participants must be available to be interviewed by the Committee at the time of filing.

Archers in the target group will be the only ones to keep score. No observers or parents can call arrows.

Annual Championship Tournament scores will be permanently recorded by the LFAA Secretary and a copy of the scores should be sent to the State Secretary by the hosting Club/Shop within a reasonable time after the tournaments.

Hosting club/shop of the state tournament, that requires the use of the state-owned target butts, are responsible for arranging the picking up (and return if necessary) of these target butts.

If any archer unintentionally shoots less than the prescribed number of arrows in an end, the archer may shoot their remaining arrow(s) if the omission is discovered prior to advancing to the target. Otherwise, the arrow(s) shall be scored as misses, as per NFAA Bylaw Article IV, I, 12 and Article IV, J, 16.

A. State Indoor Championship Tournament:

1. An annual tournament to determine the LFAA Indoor Champions shall be held on a date to be set by the host Club/Shop and approved by the LFAA Board of Directors. The host Club/Shop will be determined by the LFAA Board of Directors in accordance with Article III and Article V of the LFAA By-Laws. All champions must be LFAA members in good standing. The LFAA will allow non-NFAA/LFAA members to shoot, not compete as long as space is available. Non-LFAA/NFAA members will pay the same registration fee as LFAA members. The Annual State Indoor Championship will be shot in accordance to the rules and guidelines of the NFAA under NFAA Article VI Section E. with the exceptions noted in this Article. Event to be sanctioned by the NFAA and LFAA.
2. Entrance fees for the State Indoor Championship Tournament are to be the same as designated and divided under LFAA Article I, Section F. The LFAA will provide suitable awards under LFAA By-Laws Article I, Section G. The non-NFAA/LFAA member guest classes, fees and awards will be sole responsibility of the host Club/Shop.
3. The State Indoor Championship Tournament will be held the last weekend in February or other such date as approved by the Executive Committee. The State Indoor Championship Tournament cannot be held at the same time as NFAA Southern Sectional or National indoor tournaments.
4. The State Indoor Championship Tournament is a two or three-day shoot; upon the discretion of the Host Club/Shop. Saturday and Sunday will be the standard days with Friday being optional. You may shoot both scores on one day if lanes are available. If you choose to shoot both scores on Sunday, you will automatically be placed in the championship flight. If you plan on shooting both scores on one day, you must pre-register.

5. Archer has the option to shoot the five (5) dot target face or championship target race (one spot). You can change from five spot or single spot or vice versa during a round at the State Indoor Championship Tournament.
6. A ten-minute break will be at the discretion of the host club.
7. Two official practice ends for each round.
8. Shooter is allowed to register only one time and receive one-set of score cards. No restarts are allowed.

B. State 3-D Championship Tournament:

1. An annual tournament to determine the 3-D LFAA State Champions shall be held on a date to be set by the host Club/Shop and approved by the LFAA Board of Directors. The host Club/Shop will be determined by the LFAA Board of Directors in accordance with Article III and Article V of the LFAA By-Laws. All champions must be LFAA members. The LFAA will allow non-NFAA/LFAA members to shoot, not compete as long as space is available. Non-NFAA/LFAA members will pay the same registration fee as LFAA members. The Annual 3-D Championship Tournament will be shot in accordance to the rules and guidelines of the NFAA under NFAA Article VI Section K with the exceptions noted in this Article. Event to be sanctioned by the NFAA and LFAA.
2. Entrance fees for the State 3-D Championship Tournament are to be the same as designated under LFAA Article I, Section F. The LFAA shall provide suitable awards under LFAA By-Laws Article I, Section G. The non-NFAA/LFAA member guest classes, fees and awards will be sole responsibility of the host Club/Shop.
3. Exceptions to NFAA Article VI, Section K.
 - a. The State 3-D Championship Tournament may be a one or two-day event as required by Club/Shop host. If a two-day event the following applies: This is not a mandatory two-day shoot. You may shoot one or both days. Your lowest score will be dropped. You may shoot the second day provided there is availability. You will be charged an entry fee for each round shot.
 - b. The State 3-D Championship Tournament will be one round of 20 targets as determined by host club shop, 1 arrow per target. The tournament shall be California (Casual) or Shotgun start at the discretion of the host Club/Shop. All archers who are allowed to start the competition must be allowed to complete. No archer will be allowed to start after 11:00 a.m. unless it is deemed to have been caused by inclement weather. The host Club/Shop or organization has the right and responsibility to delay or cancel a tournament in case of severe weather. In the event weather shortens the competition, results and awards will be based on a round completed by the class or other fair means decided upon by the host Club/Shop. The method of determination will be announced prior to dismissal of competitors and any grievances will be filed in the form of a protest.
 - c. Maximum distance for all adult and young adult classes, excluding traditional classes, shall not exceed 50 yards regardless of known or unknown distances. Maximum distance for all youth classes shall not exceed 40 yards regardless of known or unknown distances. Maximum distance for all cub and adult traditional classes shall not exceed 25 yards regardless of known and unknown distances.
 - d. The host Club/Shop will set the distance and stake color for each Style and Division.
 - e. Adult supervision will be provided for each Cub group.

- f. Archers may use range finders.

C. State 900 Round Championship Tournament:

1. An annual tournament to determine the 900 Round LFAA State Champions shall be held on a date to be set by the host Club/Shop and approved by the LFAA Board of Directors. Awards and Election of Officers will be held at the banquet. The host Club/Shop will be determined by the LFAA Board of Directors in accordance with Article III and Article V of the LFAA By-Laws. All champions must be LFAA members. The LFAA will allow non-NFAA/LFAA members to shoot, not compete as long as space is available. Non-NFAA/LFAA members will pay the same registration fee as LFAA members. The State 900 Round Championship Tournament will be shot in accordance to the rules and guidelines of the NFAA under NFAA Article VI Section G with the exceptions noted in this Article.
2. Entrance fees for the State 900 Round Championship Tournament are to be the same as designated and divided under LFAA Article I, Section F. The LFAA shall provide suitable awards under LFAA By-Laws Article I, Section G. The non-NFAA/LFAA member guest classes, fees and awards will be sole responsibility of the host Club/Shop.
3. The State 900 Round Championship Tournament may be a one-day shoot or a two day shoot as determined by the host Club/Shop. The shooter may shoot one or both days; his/her lowest score will be dropped. The shooter will be charged an entry fee for each round.

D. State Field Championship Tournament:

1. An annual tournament to determine the State Field Champions shall be held the second weekend of July, unless the date conflicts with Southern Sectionals or Nationals, thus the Board of Directors shall change the date, or other such date as approved by the Executive Committee. The host Club/Shop will be determined by the LFAA Board of Directors in accordance with LFAA Article III and Article V. All champions must be LFAA members. The LFAA will allow non-NFAA/LFAA members to shoot, not compete, as long as space is available. Non-NFAA/LFAA members will pay the same registration fee as LFAA members. The State Field Championship Tournament will be shot in accordance to the rules and guidelines of the NFAA under NFAA Article VI, Section A with the exceptions noted in this Article.
2. Entrance fees for the State Field Championship Tournament are to be the same as designated under LFAA Article I, Section F. The LFAA shall provide suitable awards under LFAA Article I, Section G. The non-NFAA/LFAA member guest classes, fees and awards will be sole responsibility of the host Club/Shop.
3. The State Field Championship Tournament may be a one-day shoot or a two day shoot as determined by the host Club/Shop. The State Field Championship Tournament shall be conducted by using the flighting rules, classification and unit rule in accordance with the NFAA rules.
4. All field ranges upon which the State Field Championship Tournament is to be conducted will be on a NFAA approved range of at least 14 targets.
5. The State Field Championship Tournament shall be an either a two or one-day shoot. If host Club/Shop chooses a one day shoot it will consist of 14 Field, 14 Hunter and 14

- Animal. If it is a two day shoot it will consist of 28 Field on day one and 14 Hunter and 14 Animal on day 2.
6. Any bow and any arrow approved by the NFAA for competition may be used. Crossbow may be used solely if approved by the host Club/Shop.
 7. Shooting and scoring rules as published by NFAA shall prevail.
 8. Violation of shooting rules and/or scoring rules shall result in the disqualification of individual concerned in accordance with the NFAA Constitution.
 9. It is mandatory to put two faces on all fans and walk-up targets as needed; this is to eliminate equipment damage.
 10. The 5-4-3 target faces will be shot at the State Field Championship Tournament.
 11. Traditional Shooters shoot from the youth stakes.

E. State Indoor Vegas Face Championship

1. An annual tournament to determine the LFAA State Indoor Vegas Face Champions shall be held on a date to be set by the host Club/Shop and approved by the LFAA Board of Directors. The host Club/Shop will be determined by the LFAA Board of Directors in accordance with Article III and Article V of the LFAA By-Laws. All champions must be LFAA members in good standing. The LFAA will allow non-NFAA/LFAA members to shoot, not compete as long as space is available. Non-LFAA/NFAA members will pay the same registration fee as LFAA members. The Annual State Indoor Championship will be shot in accordance to the rules and guidelines of the NFAA under NFAA Article VI Section E. with the exceptions noted in this Article. Event to be sanctioned by the NFAA and LFAA.
2. Entrance fees for the State Indoor Vegas Face Championship Tournament are to be the same as designated and divided under LFAA Article I, Section F. The LFAA will provide suitable awards under LFAA By-Laws Article I, Section G. The non-NFAA/LFAA member guest classes, fees and awards will be sole responsibility of the host Club/Shop.
3. The State Indoor Vegas Face Championship Tournament must be held before the NFAA Vegas Indoor Championship, unless another date is approved by the Executive Committee.
4. The State Indoor Vegas Face Championship Tournament is a two or three-day shoot; upon the discretion of the Host Club/Shop. Saturday and Sunday will be the standard days with Friday being optional. You may shoot both scores on one day if lanes are available. If you choose to shoot both scores on Sunday, you will automatically be placed in the championship flight. If you plan on shooting both scores on one day, you must pre-register.
5. Archer has the option to shoot either the three (3) spot or one (1) spot Vegas faces. You can change from three spot or single spot, or vice versa during a round at the State Indoor Vegas Face Championship Tournament.
6. Two official practice ends for each round.
7. Shooter is allowed to register only one time and receive one-set of score cards. No restarts are allowed.

F. State International Round Championship Tournament:

1. An annual tournament to determine the International Round LFAA State Champions shall be held on a date to be set by the host Club/Shop and approved by the LFAA Board of Directors. The host Club/Shop will be determined by the LFAA Board of Directors in accordance with Article III and Article V of the LFAA By-Laws. All champions must be LFAA members in good standing. The LFAA will allow non-NFAA/LFAA members to shoot, not compete as long as space is available. Non-NFAA/LFAA members will pay the same registration fee as LFAA members. The State International Round Championship Tournament will be shot in accordance to the rules and guidelines of the NFAA under NFAA Article VI Section D with the exceptions noted in this Article.
2. Entrance fees for the State International Round Championship Tournament are to be the same as designated and divided under LFAA Article I, Section F. The LFAA shall provide suitable awards under LFAA By-Laws Article I, Section G. The non-NFAA/LFAA member guest classes, fees and awards will be sole responsibility of the host Club/Shop.
3. The State International Round Championship Tournament will be a one-day shoot or a two day shoot as determined by the host Club/Shop. The shooter may shoot one or both days; his/her lowest score will be dropped. The shooter will be charged an entry fee for each round.

ARTICLE VI ADOPTION

Adoption of the by-laws shall be February 2, 1969, to coincide with NFAA

**ARTICLE VII
AMENDMENT AND REVISION OF THE BY-LAWS OF THE LFAA**

The By-Laws of the LFAA may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the present LFAA Board of Directors, as the necessity arises to coincide with Rules and Regulations set forth by the NFAA and other requirements of the LFAA.

EXHIBIT A

LOUISIANA FIELD ARCHERY ASSOCIATION

POINT SYSTEM FOR SMALL AND LARGE GAME AWARDS

FOR THE PURPOSE OF AWARDS, THE FOLLOWING GAME ANIMALS SHALL BE GIVEN THE POINT RATING OF 20 TO 30 POINTS FOR EACH KILL

BLACK BEAR 20 COYOTE 20 ALLIGATOR 20 BOBCAT 20 FOX 20 DEER 30 WILD TURKEY 30

THE FOLLOWING GAME ANIMALS SHALL BE GIVEN THE POINT VALUE AS INDICATED. NO MORE THAN 20 POINTS MAY BE ACCUMULATED ON ANY ONE SPECIES UNLESS A MAXIMUM NUMBER IS NOTED. ANY ANIMAL TAKEN ILLEGALLY WILL BE VOIDED.

| ANIMAL | POINTS | ANIMAL | POINTS |
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| <u>MAMMALS</u> | | | |
| Armadillo (max 6) | 5 | Rabbits, cotton tail (max 3) | 10 |
| Gopher (max 6) | 5 | Swamp, marsh | |
| Hogs, wild | 5 | Rat or mouse (max 10) | 2 |
| Mole | 2 | Skunk (max 6) | 5 |
| Opossum | 3 | Squirrel, fox (max 3) | 10 |
| Nutria (max 6) | 5 | Squirrel, grey (max 3) | 10 |
| Raccoon | 10 | | |
| <u>BIRDS</u> | | | |
| Coot or Mud Hen | 2 | Pheasant | 3 |
| Crow | 2 | Pigeon | 5 |
| Dove | 5 | Quail or Bobwhite | 4 |
| Duck | 5 | Snipe | 4 |
| Goose | 5 | Sparrow, English | 1 |
| Jay | 7 | Starling | 2 |
| <u>REPTILES</u> | | | |
| Poisonous Snake (max 6) (state the kind of snake) | 2 | Turtle (max 6) | 2 |
| <u>FISH & CRABS</u> | | | |
| Carp | 1 | Shark | 2 |
| Crab | 1 | Ray (sting or bat) | 2 |
| Buffalo | 1 | Scavenger fish (hog fish, codfish, prawn, starfish, and shad) | 1 |
| Gar | 1 | | |
| Flounder | 2 | Eel | 1 |

All kills must be reported to the Bowhunter Chairman or LFAA Secretary on or before May 31st of any given year to be eligible for the Bowhunter of the Year award. The hunter is responsible for all regulations regarding any legal season or limits for bow kills. ANIMALS TAKEN MUST BE LEGAL GAME IN THE STATE/AREA THEY ARE TAKEN.