

NFAA CT By-Laws

Article I

Tournaments

A. Scheduling

- a. Scheduling of NFAA CT sanctioned tournaments shall be accomplished at a scheduled Board of Directors meeting held between October 15 and October 31 of each year.
- b. The Official NFAA CT tournament season shall be from January 1 through December 31.
- c. Dates shall first be selected by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors for the required NFAA State Championship Tournaments: State Indoor Championship, State Outdoor Championship. Host clubs/shops will be selected by the Board of Directors for these tournaments, based on potential host clubs position in the rotation of available clubs.
- d. NFAA CT may run additional events as agreed upon by a majority vote of the board of directors, dependent on availability of venue and event support staff.

B. NFAA CT Sanctioned Club Tournaments (aka “warm-ups” or “Sunday Shoots”)

- a. All NFAA CT sanctioned club tournaments shall be conducted under the rules of the NFAA for the round.
- b. All NFAA CT sanctioned club tournaments shall be open for participation by all archers. The shooting fee is to be kept by the host club; the club will provide targets and awards.
- c. Shooting fees shall be set by the host clubs.
- d. No more than one NFAA CT sanctioned club tournament may be scheduled on the same day.
- e. Competitive divisions and styles for NFAA CT sanctioned club tournaments shall be comprised of at least:
 1. Adult – Is provided for male and female
 2. Junior – Is provided for male and female in age groups of Young Adult, Youth, and Cub.
 3. Adult Styles – Freestyle, Freestyle Limited Recurve, Barebow Recurve, Freestyle Bowhunter, and Traditional, as defined by NFAA

Article II

NFAA CT State Championship Tournament Specifications

- A. The NFAA CT State Championship Tournaments shall be held on the date(s) determined at the NFAA CT scheduling meeting in accordance with Article I of these By-Laws
- B. Competition for awards in the NFAA CT State Indoor Championship and State Field Championship Tournaments shall be limited to current NFAA and/or USA Archery members in good standing who are members of, shooting in divisions and styles of, and using equipment recognized by the governing organization (NFAA) under whose rules the tournament is being conducted, although all others are invited to participate as guests. Multiple registrations are allowed.
- C. NFAA CT shall provide an official to rule on all questions of the official shooting rules of NFAA procedure raised at the tournament. This official shall be identified to the Tournament Chairman at least one month prior to the tournament and will be the final authority on all questions referred to him by the Tournament Chairman.
- D. The host organization shall provide a Tournament Chairman who will be responsible for the conduct of the tournament in accordance with these specifications. The Tournament Chairman shall be identified to the NFAA CT Secretary at least one month prior to the tournament.
- E. Registration of shooters will be handled in its entirety by the host organization. Pre-registration shall be permitted. All fees for participation in the NFAA CT State Championship Tournaments shall be established by the NFAA CT Board of Directors. These fees will be split 40/60 between the NFAA CT and the host club.
- F. Paper target faces for all State Championship events that use them shall be provided by the host club.
- G. The host club shall be responsible for the overall conduct of the tournament, registration of shooters, recording and posting of scores, placing of targets for each round, providing an approved course, parking area of appropriate size, refreshments, sanitary facilities, and any other facilities that may be necessary. In cooperation NFAA CT, the host club shall arrange for an appropriate awards ceremony following completion of shooting.

Any other activities such as novelty shoots, raffles, etc. may be provided by the host club at its discretion and liability as long as such activities do not conflict with the sanctioned tournament activity.

The host club will be responsible through the Tournament Chairman for submitting a report on the tournament containing as a minimum:

- a. A full financial statement including all fees and authorized expenses, and
- b. A listing by division and styles of all winners and scores
- c. All funds owed to NFAA CT must be paid to the NFAA CT within one month of the tournament's completion.

H. NFAA State Indoor (300) Championship

- a. The CAA State Indoor Championship shall be held on an NFAA approved indoor course.
- b. The tournament shall consist of the NFAA Indoor (300) Round. For this round, target faces shall be official NFAA target faces, the number of faces provided to equal the number of shooters.
- c. All adult and junior divisions and styles shall be provided. Participants must be current NFAA/USAA members, and residents of Connecticut. Archers not meeting this requirement may participate as “guest”. No practice may occur at the tournament sight, on the day of the event, outside of official practice. Multiple registration is allowed.

I. NFAA State Field Championship

- a. The NFAA CT State Field Championship shall be held on an NFAA approved field course, using any of the following rounds, or combination of rounds: Field, Hunter, Animal or International rounds, as voted on by the NFAA CT Board of Directors.
- b. All adult and junior divisions and styles shall be provided. Participants must be current NFAA/USAA members, and residents of Connecticut. Archers not meeting this requirement may participate as “guest”. Archers may register and compete in one division only.
- c. A suitable practice area, with sufficient targets and properly measured distance markers, shall be provided by the host club

J. Awards

- a. State Individual Championships
 1. The minimum number of awards to be given in each class shall be: 1 – 3 contestants, one award; 4 – 6 contestants, two awards; 7 or more contestants, three awards. All awards shall be provided by NFAA CT
 2. Style of awards given will be at the discretion of the NFAA CT Board, and will consist of, at minimum, “NFAA State Champion” patches
 3. “Perfect 300” and “500 Club” patches will be awarded at the indoor and field championships respectively, upon the archer’s first time reaching these milestones.

Article III

Changes to By-Laws

- A. Voting for elections, constitutional amendments, changes to by-laws, and other matters, as appropriate, shall take place at the NFAA CT Board of Directors

meeting, held annually between October 15 and October 31, or as needed at any meeting called by the President of majority of the NFAA CT Board of Directors. Any proposed changes to these by-laws must be submitted in writing to the NFAA CT Secretary, at least 30 days prior to a board of directors meeting, by any NFAA CT member in good standing providing the proposed amendment(s) is (are) endorsed by five other NFAA CT members in good standing. All such amendments, along with recommendations of a Rules Committee appointed for that purpose, shall be forwarded to all NFAA CT members for review and comment, prior to the vote by the Board of Directors.

Article IV

Dues and Fees

- A. The annual dues for individual resident or associate CAA-NFAA membership shall be: First Adult, \$40.00; Second family member \$10; Each additional family member \$5/each. Individual junior membership is \$15.00. Lifetime membership is \$800.
- B. The annual fee for an NFAA club charter as a member of the CAA shall be \$25.00. Clubs must have a minimum of 5 active NFAA members in order to charter an NFAA club.
- C. The annual fee for a CAA (non-NFAA) member club shall be \$75.00
- D. The annual fee for a shop charter as a member of the CAA shall be \$25.00
- E. All NFAA charter clubs and shops shall receive a listing on our website.

Article V

Changes and Amendments to the By-Laws

These By-Laws may be altered or amended at any scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors, provided the proposed change is submitted in writing by a member of NFAA CT in good standing and the change is voted on positively. All proposed changes will be listed in the agenda of the meeting with the recommendation of the Rules Committee appointed for that purpose and shall be mailed out to all members of the Board of Directors at least thirty days prior to the meeting. The NFAA CT Secretary shall notify all NFAA CT members by mail or electronic communication, within thirty days of all changes to the By-Laws and their effective date.

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Miscellaneous notes

- A. The offices of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and NFAA Director will be required to pay only the club share of State Championship tournaments.
- B. The CAA will pay for the outstanding balance of standard travel expenses for a representative to attend the bi-annual NFAA Director's Meeting, that are not covered by the NFAA and NESFAA reimbursements.
- C. The President is empowered to spend up to \$100.00 without the approval of the Board of Directors.