



VIRGINIA BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

Tournament Contract

Spring/Fall 3-D Classics

State Championships

Held at:

2018

PURPOSE of the CONTRACT

The purpose of this contract is between the Virginia Bowhunters Associations (VBA) and the Host Club to establish the necessary guidelines that will insure that the Archers are provided with a quality tournament, the best range available, enjoyment of competition and social activities. It is imperative that targets and bales are in good condition and the ranges are safe. The Host Club must be able to solve any problems during the tournament, replace any targets and/or bales that are in poor condition and/or shooting through, and provide backups and distances with safe clearance behind each target.

Social activities are encouraged. VBA members have enjoyed many good tournaments over the years because of the extra social activities and not because they were winners.

Spring 3-D Classic Only:

Registration Times:

Registration shall be on Friday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday morning from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m for the 9:00 round; and up to 12 noon for Saturday's shoot time of 1:00.

Registration times for Sunday morning shall be from 7:00 to 8:00am for the 9:00 round and up to 12 noon for Sunday's shoot time of 1:00.

Registration fee will remain the same.

Archers have option of shooting 1 or 2 times and counting the highest score.

Fall 3-D Classic times shall remain as follows on page 3.

Fall Classic: Must shoot both days to compete. Only one starting time.

TOURNAMENT

Spring / Fall 3-D CLASSIC (Circle one)

HOST CLUB

(Signature)

(Date)

SCHEDULE AND FEES

Schedule of times, special rules for the Spring / Fall 3-D Classics and other conditions may be made part of this contract when necessary.

Registration for Spring/Fall Classic shall be on Friday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and on Saturday morning from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. An Ad and the Pre-registration form, starting times and schedule of events must be in "FLIGHT".

Fees will be \$20.00 per archer and \$40.00 maximum per family.

The Host Club shall pay to VBA \$1.00 per registered archer for the Conservation Fund and \$7.00 per registered archer for the General Fund except for family registration with a maximum of \$2.00 for the Conservation Fund and \$18.00 for General Fund. Two checks will be made payable to VBA (one for the General Fund and one for the Conservation Fund). Checks must be given to the Field Vice President or Executive State Secretary/Treasurer when registration is over on Saturday. If neither officer is present, then the checks must be mailed to the Executive State Secretary/Treasurer within five (5) working days following the tournament. (If checks are not received after the fifth day, a surcharge of 10% will be added.) The Host Club shall include a complete and accurate record of the number of family and single archers register. Refunds will be carried out according to the VBA By-Laws

Opening Ceremonies consisting of the Pledge of Allegiance and Devotional shall start at **8:00 a.m.** on Saturday. A review of the rules shall begin before each round. There will be a shotgun start at **9:00 a.m.** All VBA Officers attending the tournament will be introduced at the opening ceremonies.

Grouping for the second day will be done based on the first day scores and archers will be grouped with their competition when possible.

Starting times shall be posted by 9:00 p.m. on Saturday night and available after that time with the Tournament Chairman via phone. The Tournament Chairman's phone number must be listed in the schedule.

HOST CLUB RESPONSIBILITIES

Host Club is responsible for advertising the Tournament in "FLIGHT".

A practice area large enough to allow participants to shoot before the tournament begins will be provided. Practice area will be open during registration and open after the first day of the tournament.

A scoreboard must be provided and large enough for posting all the archers scores.

Cold water stations must be located every seven (7) targets.

*Water shall be free unless there are both bottled water for sale and water coolers at the same station.

Restrooms must be provided that are clean and in good working order.

Refreshments and snacks should be available at several locations on the range.

All targets, including the practice area must be in good condition to prevent pass throughs and have well-defined lines for scoring.

A complete first aid kit must be available during the tournament.

A copy of the tournament schedule and basic rules must be available to each archer. No rules shall conflict with current VBA rules unless otherwise stated in this contract.

All registered Cubs & Peewees, while shooting, will be supervised by the Host Club during the tournament.

TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN AND COMMITTEE

The Host Club shall select their Tournament Chairman, and Committee(s) which must be *posted at the Tournament site, along with the T.C.'s phone number. The Tournament Chairman must sign this contract along with the President of the Host Club. In the event that the Tournament Chairman and the President of the Host Club is the same person, then only one signature is required. This contract must be posted at the Tournament Site during the Tournament.

The Tournament Chairman or his representative from the Host Club shall attend a meeting with the Field Vice-President for reviewing the contract, rules, VBA policy and to clarify any unresolved issues. This meeting will be at the January VBA meeting.

Any changes of the Tournament Chairman or the Committee(s) must be given to the Field Vice-President prior to the Tournament.

The Host Club shall provide personnel to supervise all aspects of the tournament as needed for parking, registration, computer/software usage, practice area control, posting scores on the scoreboard, awards presentation, and refreshments, etc.

The Host Club must have available a phone, fax, computer with compatible software, and printer. Also, must be familiar with VBA Database.

The Host Club must give or e-mail, within two (2) working days, the tournament scores to the Executive Vice President, along with any available pictures for publication in the next issue of "FLIGHT".

The Host Club must give or e-mail, within two (2) working days, the tournament scores and a complete report including a breakdown of Division and Classes, the number of awards presented or given to in the winner(s) absence, and must return all unused awards to the Field Vice-President.

The Host Club must give or email, within two (2) working days, the tournament scores and Individual and Family breakdown with all fees due the VBA to be forwarded to the Executive State Secretary/Treasurer.

The Host Club must give or email, within two (2) working days, the tournament scores to the Publicity Director for the VBA Website.

The Host Club shall provide 25 3-D targets.

Safety for everyone attending the tournament shall be considered at all times. The ranges must have a current VBA inspection.

All shots shall be open and all stakes must give equal shots for right or left-handed shooters.

Score cards shall be standard, simple cards requiring only columns of the score of each target in 11's, 10's, 8's, 5's, & 0's, and a total score

- The Host Club shall be required to correct any scorecard errors for posting and Flight within 24 hours from notification. One set of scorecards must be kept by the host club no less than one year.

VBA RESPONSIBILITIES

The Field Governor or his/her designee will do a courtesy range inspection within 30 days prior to the date of the tournament.

Bow inspection may be conducted by a VBA Officer or an appointed official of the Tournament Committee.

AWARDS FOR VBA TOURNAMENTS

Awards for the State Tournaments shall be the responsibility of the Field Vice-President and shall be paid for by the VBA. The Field Vice-President shall provide sufficient awards at each location. If there are not a sufficient number of awards available, the Field Vice-President will be responsible for getting them to the winners. If there is an excess number of awards, the participating Clubs will return them to the Field Vice-President. For archers not staying for the awards ceremony, their awards will be given to their Home Club's Director at the next VBA meeting.

Presentation of awards will be made by the following people.

1. VBA President
2. Executive Vice President
3. Field Vice President
4. Executive State Secretary/Treasurer
5. Host Club Tournament Chairman

CONTRACT

This contract must be signed and returned to the Field Vice-President within 30 days after receiving it and being notified that the Tournament in question was awarded to the Host Club. This must be done by the January Meeting by the Host Club and returned to the Field Vice-President.

Failure to adhere to this contract will result in being suspended from the bidding for any VBA State Tournament for a period of one year.

Signatures

Therefore, it is expressly agreed that the Virginia Bowhunters Association (VBA) and the Host Club jointly agree to co-sponsor this Spring / Fall State 3-D Classic Tournament in accordance with the above conditions and attached term and procedures which constitute a part of this agreement as witnessed by these signatures. (circle one that applies)

VIRGINIA BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION, INC (VBA)

VBA President _____ Date: _____

Field Vice President _____ Date: _____

Executive State Secretary/Treasurer _____ Date: _____

HOST CLUB

Name: _____

Address: _____

President of Host Club _____ Date: _____

Phone # and email _____

Address _____

Tournament Chairman _____ Date: _____

Phone # and email Address: _____

Combined 3-D Shooting Rules (Spring & Fall)

This paper contains the combined shooting rules for the Spring and Fall 3-D Classic Tournaments. The major differences will be noted.

All archers are welcome to shoot. Pros are welcome to compete.

New Rules will have an *

Targets are to be at marked distances for the Spring Classic. Max yds = 60yds Unmarked for the Fall Classic. Max yds = 50yds

* **Fall Classic, only**; there shall be a known 45 yd distance for women (green stakes) and a known 50 yd distance for men (blue stakes). No style or division breakdown. Archers must supply their own rangefinders. If a rangefinder can be viewed by other archers, that archer with the rangefinder must shoot last.

Archer must declare as a “Known Distance” archer at registration. They will be grouped separately if possible.

Equipment Rules and Shooting Styles will follow the guidelines of the IBO.

- It is up to the archer to keep abreast of any changes to their style or rules from the IBO’s website: www.IBO.net Tournaments..... Rules.

Age groups consists of:

YOUTH CLASSES:

Level 1:

Future Bowhunters (FBH) 8yrs and younger. Max distance = 15yds. VBA Competitive class as of Jan 2015 M&F

Level 2:

Cubs: 9 – 12. White Stakes. M&F

Youth Hunter (YH) 13 – 17. Orange stakes. M&F

Youth Hunter Fingers (YF) 13 – 17. White stakes M&F (using same equipment as HC minus release aids)

Youth Release (YMR 13-14) Orange Stake. M&F

Youth Release (YMR 15-17) Red Stake. M&F

Female Youth (FY) 13-17. Orange Stake. Female

Youth Trad (YTRD) 9 – 17 White Stake. M&F

Level 3:

ADULT CLASSES, ENTRY LEVEL:

Hunter Class (HC) Yellow Stake. M&F Non-championship winner

Female Hunter Class (FHC). Orange Stake. Female Non-championship winner

Hunter Fingers (HF). Yellow stake. M&F Non-championship winner

SENIORS Entry Level 3:

Senior Hunter (SHC) 50 + Yellow Stake M&F

Master Hunter (MHC) 60+ Yellow Stake M&F

Level 4:

ADVANCED AMATEUR: ADULTS

Bowhunter Open (MBO) Blue Stake. Male

Beginner Bowhunter Open (BBO) Red Stake M&F

Female Bowhunter Open (FBO) Green Stake. Female

Bowhunter Release (MBR) Green Stake. Male

Female Bowhunter Release (FBR) Red Stake . Female

Bowhunter Fingers (MBF) Green Stake M&F

Advanced Hunter Class (AHC) Red Stake M&F

(Level 4 cont.)

Recurve Unaided. (RU) Orange Stake M&F

Longbow (LB) White Stake M&F

Traditional (TRD) Orange Stake. Male

Female Traditional (FTRD). White Stake. Female

SENIORS: ADVANCED AMATEUR:

Female Seniors (FSR) Red. Female

Men's Senior Class (MSR) Green Stake. Male

Senior Female Hunter Class (SFHC) Orange Stake. Female

Masters Class (MCBH) Green Stake. M&F

Senior Master Class (SMC) 70+ Red Stake. M&F

Senior Traditional (STRD) 60+ White Stake. M&F

VBA Known Distance: MK 50 (Male Known max 50 yds.) FK 45 (Female Known max 45 yds.)

Maximum Peak weight for Men is 80 lbs. Maximum weight for Women, Young Adults, and Youth is 60 lbs.

Opening Ceremonies consisting of the Pledge of Allegiance and Devotional shall start at **8:00 a.m.** on Saturday. A review of the rules shall begin before each round. There will be a shotgun start at 9:00 a.m for the first round and 1:00 for the second round. Spring Only. Fall Classic will start at 9.

On the first day, archers will be grouped with their competition according to Style and Division when possible. Archers must stay in their assigned groups unless the group has less than three and then the remaining archers will join another group as prescribed by VBA rules. Grouping for the second day will be done based on the first day's scores.

Fall Classic: Must shoot both days to compete.

Spring Only: Archers may shoot both days, but only the highest score will count.

*Shooting time is restricted to two (2) minutes for each shooter in the group. Time will begin when the previous archer releases their arrow. Individuals taking more than the allotted time may *have five (5) points taken from their score. Using binoculars from the shooting stake after taking the shot, is prohibited.

There is a 3 arrow let-down rule.

Pictures are permitted.

Archers must touch the shooting stake.

Memorandum is allowed. (Spring only)

Range finders are at the discretion of the Tournament Committee. (Spring only)

Dogs are prohibited on any range and must be on a leash on the club's premises.

No range finders or other devices that can estimate distances are allowed on the range. Except for the "Known Distance" classes. (Fall only)

No recording of distances or referring to recorded distances. (Fall only).

Penalty for the guilty archer is disqualification.

No equipment may be held in line with the target for use as a range finder. After archers set their sights, they may not let down to re-set those sights. There will be a verbal warning from the group for the first offense and 5 points for each offense after that. (Fall only) Exception: "Known Distance" archers.

There will be 25 3-D targets.

There shall only be one arrow shot per target.

Scoring shall be 11, 10, 8, & 5 points. The 11 ring will be located in the center of the 10 ring.

Horns or antlers shall receive no score. Hoofs are 5 points

Any arrow that is deflected by any foreign object or any miss-fired arrow must be counted as a shot arrow. Skip-ins off the ground and glance offs will not be scored. Witnessed bounce outs may be re-shot. Any arrow that “Robin Hoods” another arrow will be counted the same as the one it hits, even if it falls to the ground.

If there is a target that is leaking arrows, then one archer that has an arrow showing in the target will advance to the target to verify that the other archer’s arrow has passed through the target so it may be re-shot.

If an arrow falls to the ground while in preparation of a shot, it may be recovered and shot if it is *within reach of the archer while standing at the stake. Time limit does not stop.

For any ties, including 11’s, there will be a sudden death shoot off as soon as the scores are turned in. Other ties will be broken by the number of 11 rings shot. The Host Club may choose to set up a 3-D target in the practice area for the shoot off.

*If neither is present, then there will be a coin toss will determine placement.

If an archer declares equipment failure, he will have 45 minutes to replace or make repairs on equipment and shoot practice arrows. If there is equipment failure during the shot, the arrow will be scored where it lands and may not be re-shot. Archers are limited to one equipment failure per tournament. If there is a second equipment failure, then the archer will remain with the group and act as a scorer or scorekeeper.

Score cards shall be standard, simple cards requiring only the score of each target and a total score. Archer and scorekeepers must sign the cards. All cards must be turned in as a group as soon as possible after finishing the last target.

No alcohol allowed on the range during the tournament.

Sky drawing or side drawing will not be allowed.

Protests

Written formal; protest(s) must be presented to the Host club’s Tournament Chairman and the Field Vice President within one (1) hour after the end of the shooting day of the alleged violation and accompanied by a \$25.00 fee payable to the VBA. The Field Vice President and Tournament Chairman will rule on the Protest. If the Field VP is not available, the protest goes to the Tournament Chairman and Committee.

If the protest is upheld, the fee will be returned. If the protest is denied, the fee is given to the VBA. No involved person may be in on the final decision.

*All forms of electronic communication are prohibited while on the shooting range unless it is required for an emergency. Cell phones and other devices must be silenced before entering the range.

Roving vs Fixed 3-D Range: If the same stakes are used at each tournament, it will be considered a “fixed range”. If the range is setup differently each time, it will be considered a “roving range”.

Spring Classic may shoot up to 60 yds, marked distances. See below for shooting styles and their accompanying stake color.

For the Fall Classic, the approximate maximum distances for each stake and their accompanying shooting styles, shall be:

<u>Blue: 50 yds</u>	<u>Green 45 yds</u>	<u>Red 40 yds</u>	<u>Yellow 35 yds</u>	<u>Orange 30 yds</u>	<u>White 25 yds</u>
MBO	MBR	YMR 15-17	HC	YH 13-17	CUB 9-12
* MK50	FBO	AHC	HF	YMR 13-14	YF 13-17
(Male-known)	MBF	BBO	SHC	FY 13-17	YTRD 9-17
	MSR	FBR	MHC	FHC	LB
	MCBH	FSR		RU	FTRD
	* FK45	SMC		TRD	STRD
	(Female-known)			SFHC	
				PCBH	

Scoring for all 3-D’s will be:

1. An “11” ring centered in the 10 ring
2. The 10 ring will be inside the vital area
3. An 8 ring approximates the heart, lung, and liver (vital area).
4. A 5 ring for the remainder of the animal minus the horns or antlers.

*If more than one scoring area is visible on the target and no notations of which scoring area to use, either scoring area can be scored.