



Archery Rules

These sport rules are modified from International Paralympic Committee competition rules to suit the population and goals of the Valor Games. The 2019 Valor Games Archery results can be used for qualification standards in the advanced division only. The advanced division will be run as a Fita competition; therefore, USA Archery Membership and dress code will be required.

2019 Valor Games Archery Competition

Monday, September 23rd

1:00-9:00 pm U.S. Paralympic Archery Classification (by appointment)
5:00-9:00 pm Valor games full Event Check-in (Mandatory)

Tuesday, Sept. 24th

8:00am – 5:00 pm U.S. Paralympic Archery Classification (by appointment)

Wednesday, September 25th

Location: Mission Conception Sports Park – 714 East Theo Avenue; San Antonio, TX 78210

7:30 am-8:30 am Round I: Open Archery Range

8:45 am-11:30 am Round I: Archery Competition

12:20 pm- 1 pm Round II: Open Archery Range

1:15 pm- 4:00 pm Round II: Archery Competition

Note: Awards will be given out on Wednesday at approximately 12:30PM and 4:30PM at the Mission Conception Sport Park.

Event Check-in and Packet Pick-up – MANDATORY for ALL Athletes!!

Monday, Sept. 23th (5:00-9:00 PM)

Marriott Plaza Hotel – 555 South Alamo Street, San Antonio

Disability/Classification Divisions

- We will offer advanced and intermediate level competitions
- The competition is open to all abilities
- There will be an open category for athletes with PTSD and TBI who have no physical impairment
- Physical disability classes will be separated by seated -W1, seated-W2, and standing
- We will place athletes into the appropriate divisions during the registration on Monday at the host hotel.
- Athletes will be awarded by competition divisions
- Male and Female are combined and will compete together
- There will be an opportunity for U.S. Paralympic National Classification for those competing in the Advanced level only. Those wanting to sign up must complete the Para Archery Medical Intake form <https://www.usarchery.org/resource-center/adaptive/classification-request-forms> and submit to the Archery Event Director at jav324@yahoo.com ONE Month prior to the competition (September 3rd). Once the form is received, you will then be able to signup for your classification appointment.

FITA

The 2019 Valor Games Southwest Archery Competition will be a FITA competition for the competitive distance of 50M/70M (sanctioned through USA Archery) and it is a designated event for shooting the Para USA Qualifying Standards. U.S. Paralympic Military standards can also be met with the results. To





compete at a FITA event **all Competitive Archers must be a member of USA Archery and comply with all USA Archery dress codes.** If you want your scores to count and you are shooting the competitive distance and are classifiable then yes you need to be a member of USA Archery. You can join USA Archery with a full or temporary membership at:

<https://webpoint.usarchery.org/wp/Memberships/Join.wp>

Proof of USA Archery membership will be required to shoot.

Archery Events - Each athlete is only allowed to enter one event

- Compound Bow Standing – Advanced and Intermediate
- Compound Bow Seated -W1 (Para)– Advanced and Intermediate
- Compound Bow Open (Para) –Advanced Only
- Recurve Bow Standing - Advanced and Intermediate
- Recurve Bow Seated -W2 (Para) - Advanced and Intermediate
- Recurve Bow Open (Para) –Advanced Only

Archery Competition Divisions

Note: All division will follow the FITA rules for Archery.

- **Open Division (Para)** – Includes competitors who have a permanent Classifiable physical disability.
- **Standing Archers** – Archers with a physical disability who shoot from a standing position. Many of the archers use a stool or some sort of support, but their feet are on the ground. Examples of Standing category competitors include individuals with PTSD, TBI or orthopedic injuries.
- **Seated-W2 Archers (Para)** – Use a wheelchair for mobility but have good hand and arm function. W2 archers shoot recurve bows from wheelchairs.
- **Seated-W1 Archers (Para)** – Have some sort of disability that effects both their upper and lower body. They use a wheelchair for mobility and have some sort of function loss in their hands and/or arms. W1 archers shoot compound bows, but they cannot have peep sights or magnifying sights. There is a maximum weight of 45 pounds for men; 35 pounds for women.

GENERAL EVENT RULES

- Competitive compound shooters will shoot at 50 meters on an 80 cm target; competitive W1 Compound shooters will shoot at 50 meters on an 80 cm target and competitive recurve shooters (Open, Standing & W2) will shoot at 70 meters on a 122 cm target.
- Intermediate shooters will shoot compound at 30 meters and recurve at 30 meters on an 80 cm and 122 cm targets.
- All divisions will be male and female combined.





- Each athlete is only allowed to enter one event in Archery.
- There will be 12 ends of six (6) arrows each for a total of 72 arrows. Four minutes will be allowed for each end.
- Medals will be given in order of total points and classification divisions.
- Athletes in the advanced division must have their own equipment (bow and arrows) to compete.
- Athletes in the intermediate division are encouraged to bring their own equipment but bows and arrows will be available if needed. (The supply is limited, so we encourage you to bring your own equipment)
- Athletes must wear tennis shoes, no dress shoes or flip-flops.
- Athletes that are classifiable for Para-Archery and shooting the advanced compound bow or recurve competition may achieve the Military standard at this event, provided they have competed in the advanced competitions at 50M for compound and 70M for recurve. Athletes competing in the open category cannot be certified as meeting the Military standard as they are not classifiable.
- Appropriate sportsmanship is expected of all participants at the Valor Games, competitors and staff alike. Violations, including but not limited to profanity and actions of disrespect by anyone, will result in loss of right to compete.

SUGGESTED EQUIPMENT FOR ATHLETES

- All athletes are encouraged to bring their own equipment (advanced athletes are required to provide their own equipment). Minimum of 9 identical arrows are required for each bow and arrow set.
- If you utilize a bar stool or similar type equipment for balance and support, please provide your preferred support system.
- It is recommended to bring a bow stand.
- Make sure you have extra equipment; in the event of a broken string or a lost arm guard, release, etc. We will not have enough to provide replacement equipment; you must provide your own.
- If you utilize an adapted device to shoot, it is recommended that you bring that equipment with you.

Awards

- Medals will be given to the top three athletes in each division. Male and Female athletes will compete together.
- Medal ceremonies will be conducted at the Mission Conception Sports Park on Wednesday after each event. Please be present to receive your medal.

**For information on the Archery competition, please contact the Archery Sports Coordinator:
Jeremy Velez 805-286-2204 or jav324@yahoo.com.**

