

# Fourth Annual Indiana NASP

(National Archery in the Schools Program)

# State Tournament Registration Packet



The Indiana Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division and the Indiana Hunter Education Association will host the Fourth Annual Indiana National Archery in the Schools Program State Tournament on **March 12, 2010** at the **Horizon Convention Center in Muncie, Indiana**. The tournament will be held in conjunction with the Indiana Field Archery Association Indoor State Tournament.

All rules contained in this packet are designed to comply with National NASP Tournament rules. **Items in RED are new or revised rules.**

### **ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS:**

- The basic foundation of NASP is the in-school archery unit. Therefore, all schools that teach NASP as part of the in-school curriculum are eligible to compete as teams or as individuals in this tournament. This tournament is not for schools or clubs that offer archery only as an after-school or individual activity. *Program certification will be verified through Indiana NASP certification files.*
- Team competition will be among school teams consisting of 16 - 24 archers. At least 5 members must be of an opposite gender.
- Schools who cannot field a team (have less than 16 eligible shooters), home schooled students (taught by an Indiana NASP certified instructor) or students who are part of an after school program (as a result of an in school NASP archery unit in their school, but have less than 16 shooters) are invited to compete for individual awards, but will not be eligible for team competition.
- Single Gender and Small Schools: Schools unable to field a NASP archery team because they are too small or of a single gender may:
  1. Single Gender: If the school is all male or female, opposite gender participants must come from NASP schools in the same city, county, or school district.
  2. Small Schools: If the school contains fewer than 100 students (combination of all grades) the team may be comprised of students from other participating NASP schools in the same city, county, or district.
- All archers competing as part of a team will automatically be entered as individual shooters, making them eligible to receive individual awards.
- To comply with national team eligibility requirements, team registration is limited to no more than 24 archers. Additional archers may be entered as individuals or as a second team.
- Team members must be enrolled in a single school, not a school district or multiple schools, unless they meet the single gender/small school criteria listed above.
- Teams or individuals may register in the Elementary School (K-6<sup>th</sup> grade), Middle School (7<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade), or High School (9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade) Division. A student in a lower grade may shoot for a team in his or her school that is in a higher Division, but not the reverse. Note: Only 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders may compete in the Elementary Division at the National competition.
- A team's division will be assigned based on the highest grade represented. Example: a team comprised of 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders will be assigned to the Middle School Division.
- Participation will be limited to the first 600 students registered.
- The first place team from each division will automatically qualify to compete in the NASP National Competition. Additional qualifications are described in the 2010 National NASP Tournament Rules.

### **REGISTRATION DEADLINES:**

- Due to the growth of the Indiana NASP Tournament, the following deadlines are being instituted to ensure all NASP schools have an equal opportunity to compete.

- **Registration will be open January 1, 2010. No registrations will be accepted prior to January 1, 2010.**
- **Early Bird** – Each NASP school will be allowed to enter one team as described in the previous section *or* individual shooters if the school is unable to field a team during the Early Bird registration period. **The total number of shooters enrolled by a school may not exceed 24 during this period.** The deadline for Early Bird registration is **February 1, 2010.**
- **Additional Teams & Extended Registration Period** – February 2, 2010 – February 15, 2010. Schools missing the Early Bird deadline will still be permitted to enter a team during this time period. **In addition**, schools who have registered a team during the Early Bird will be allowed to enter additional teams. All entries received between February 2, 2010 – February 15, 2010 will be on a first come, first served basis with registration closed when the limit of 600 shooters is met. The final deadline for registration is **February 15, 2010.**

### REGISTRATION PROCESS:

- Registration will be handled by the Indiana Hunter Education Association
- The registration fee is \$15/student payable by check or money order payable to Indiana NASP
- **Registration may be completed and submitted on line at [www.indiananasp.com](http://www.indiananasp.com). Payment for on line registration may be paid on line or mailed to the Indiana NASP Tournament Coordinator at: 8559 E - 350 N, Montpelier, IN 47359 and must be received by February 15, 2010.**
- Registration may also be mailed to the Indiana NASP Tournament Coordinator using the registration form available on line. Payment must accompany mailed registrations.
- You will receive an e-mail confirmation following mail or on line registration. An itemized receipt will be provided for your records when you arrive at the tournament.
- The registration fee will include a participation medallion.
- The registration fee also includes one Indiana National Archery in the Schools Program State Tournament t-shirt per paid participant and up to 3 coaches.
- Additional Indiana National Archery in the Schools Program State Tournament t-shirts will be available for purchase the day of the event for participants, coaches, parents and spectators at a cost of \$10.00 each.
- Food will be available at the tournament for purchase through the Horizon Convention Center.

### TIME CONSIDERATIONS

- The tournament will be conducted on March 12, 2010.
- Participating schools will select one of the following shooting times or flights:
  - Flight # 1 - 8:30 am**
  - Flight # 2 - 9:40 am**
  - Flight # 3 - 10:50 am**
  - Flight # 4 - 12:00 pm**
  - Flight # 5 - 1:10 pm**
  - Flight # 6 - 2:20 pm**
  - Flight # 7 - 3:30 pm**
- Teachers should select flight preference upon registration.
- Flight times will be granted on a **first come first served basis**, so early registration is strongly recommended.
- If you do not select a flight time, one will be selected for you.

- **Flight time and assignments are subject to change dependent upon number of schools and shooters registered and driving distances. Final flight schedule will be available at [www.inhea.com](http://www.inhea.com) immediately following the registration deadline.**
- We request that all schools within 75 miles of Muncie register for the earliest flight time so that schools traveling from further away will have adequate travel time. We appreciate your cooperation and assistance in this matter.
- In the event a particular flight has more requests than openings, the Indiana NASP Tournament committee will determine flight assignments based on registration date, travel distance and bus considerations.
- **If your school will be sharing a bus with another school, please indicate this need with your registration.**
- Competitors must be ready to march to their lane assignment 15 minutes before their assigned shooting time. To meet this line-up time requirement, schools should arrive at the tournament registration desk at least 1 ½ hours before their shooting time. A schedule will be mailed following the registration deadline and posted at [www.indiananasp.com](http://www.indiananasp.com) prior to the tournament.
- Schools and/or participants that arrive after their scheduled flight time will not be allowed to participate in the tournament.
- Students and equipment may be dropped off and picked up on the east side of the Convention Center. Bus parking will be provided on site in the Convention Center parking lot.
- Each school will have an area assigned in the staging area for storage of outer garments, bow cases, etc.
- All schools are asked to stay until the completion of the awards ceremony in the spirit of good sportsmanship.

#### **DRESS CODE:**

- Wearing of Team Uniforms is suggested, but not required. Many teams will adopt a “team t shirt” or wear a shirt otherwise associated with their school.
- Acquiring local sponsors for a team shirt is frequently used as a method of both purchasing the team shirt and raising money for registration fees and travel.
- Each Team may bring/display one banner or sign representing their school.
- All participants are prohibited from wearing tank tops, cropped t-shirts, cut-off jeans or short-shorts – no exceptions.
- Hair and jewelry should not cause safety concerns.

#### **COMPETITION FORMAT**

##### **Qualified Equipment:**

- Any stock, unmodified NASP Genesis compound bow, any color. No mini’s or Genesis Pro models.
- Only thread knots or heat shrink nock locators will be permitted to be used (1 or 2). Brass nock locators are prohibited. Instructions for tying on a nock locator are available at [www.indiananasp.com](http://www.indiananasp.com)
- The bow must be sight and sight-mark free. Camouflage bows may be used, but the face of the riser window must be covered to prevent camouflage lines serving as sight-marks. Tape or paint placed to cover sight-marks must remain in place throughout the competition. Any bow identified by a range official as having possible sight-marks will be “zip-tied” making it impossible to shoot and must be removed by the archer or the archer’s coach and either replaced or the sight-marks properly covered.

The tournament will not be delayed as such bows are corrected. Range officials will not cover sight marks. It is important that archers and coaches check every bow for compliance before their flight time.

- The bow must be free of draw stops or stabilizers.
- The bowstring and cables may be “after-market” but of the same approximate length.
- The cable guard, guard slide, wheel, cam, bearings, riser, and limbs must be original and unmodified (except an archer’s bow may be personalized by painting, stickers, etc. as long as no sighting advantage is gained).
- The arrowrest must be original and unmodified.
- All bows must be on bow racks for range official inspection before shooting begins.
- Once shooting begins no bows may be taken behind the waiting line, without range official direction or approval, until the flight concludes.
- If your school does not have enough bows (figure 1 bow for every 2 shooters), please request loner bows (and designate right or left handed) with your registration so we can have bows available for your use.
- A limited amount of loner bows will be available in case of equipment failure the day of the tournament. All loner bows must be checked out and back in with tournament staff.
- The school will be held responsible for any damage to loner bows.
- The only arrow approved for competition will be the Easton Genesis 1820 full length aluminum arrow. Thanks to Easton Archery, tournament officials will provide 5 arrows (and replacements as needed) in each archer’s floor quiver. You will **NOT** need to bring your school arrows.
- Bows must be marked to identify school.
- Finger tabs, gloves, and armguards may be used. Finger or wrist slings are allowed. **Wrist slings may be attached using the stock bolt that comes with the strap. The bolt must be made of steel or plastic and must protrude one inch or less beyond the bow’s accessory hole.**
- The use of mechanical release aids or stabilizers will not be allowed.
- Sims vibration dampening devices may be attached to the limbs of the bow, but not on the riser
- No additional equipment can be attached to the bow.
- Targets and butts will be provided.
- An equipment check will be mandatory before shooting. An announcement will be made in the staging area approximately 30 minutes prior to the flight start time for students to deliver their bows to the bow racks adjacent to their assigned shooting lanes. No bows may be removed from the line until the flight has been completed.

#### Range Set-Up:

- Targets will be 80 cm FITA face with 10 scoring rings.
- Target butts will be placed directly on the floor similar to the height of school butts.
- Target line will be approximately 5 feet from the target butts.
- There will be 10 and 15 meter shooting lines.
- The waiting line will be 10 feet beyond the 15 meter shooting line.
- **Each shooting lane will have 2 archers assigned per lane per flight (an “A” shooter & a “B” shooter).**
- Spectator seating will be available behind the waiting line.

#### Competition Format

Whistle Signals: NASP whistle commands will be used to operate the range --- Range officials will use this language to instruct archers.

1. 5+ whistles for an emergency
2. 2 whistles to “get bow”
3. 1 whistle to “shoot”,
4. 3 whistles to “go get arrows”

ALL shooters must know and obey all whistle commands.

**Archers must remain standing when at the targets and pulling arrows.**

**The archer must pre-draw, draw, and aim in a manner to prevent the arrow from being pointed above the backstop curtain.**

No running will be tolerated at any time on the range. Additionally, arrows must be held with both hands and arrow tips must be covered when walking from the target to the designated shooting position.

- Range safety rules will be the same as the NASP program and will be adhered to by all.
- Each archer will shoot 1 practice end of 5 arrows at 10 meters.
- Each archer will shoot 3 ends of 5 arrows (total of 15 shots) at 10 meters.
- Each archer will shoot 1 practice end of 5 arrows at 15 meters.
- Each archer will shoot 3 ends of 5 arrows (total of 15 shots) at 15 meters.
- Time limit/end will be 2 minutes beginning with the 1 whistle "shoot" command.
- **“A” shooters will shoot and then “B” shooters will shoot. Both “A” and “B” shooters will retrieve their arrows.**
- Time limit per end will be 2 minutes beginning with the 1 whistle "shoot" command.
- Bounce-outs will be shot immediately within the end and with the permission of the tournament officials.
- “A” and “B” archers may share bows.

#### Scoring:

- The tournament committee of the Indiana Field Archery Association will be the tournament officials and responsible for the supervision of other adult volunteers and Indiana Conservation Officers working at the tournament.
- If tournament officials decide to use official volunteer adult scorers, archers will record the arrow value as determined and directed by these official scorers.
- If tournament officials decide to allow student archers to score their arrows, both archers must agree on the arrow’s value before recording the official score.
- In any event, archers should know how to score targets. Beginning in the center of the target, scoring rings are 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, & 1. An arrow touching the line is awarded the higher ring value. An arrow that isn’t in a scoring ring is awarded “0” points. The “X” ring in the center of the 10 scoring ring is scored only as a part of the 10 ring in this tournament -- (“X” counts are not tabulated).
- Only the student archer and tournament officials will be allowed downrange of the waiting line.  
**Coaches must remain behind the waiting line.**
- Arrows should not be touched or removed until **ALL (both shooters)** arrows in the target have been scored and recorded.
- Indiana NASP will assign a scoring judge for every 2-4 lanes.
- If there is a dispute or question on the score of an arrow, the scoring judge will make the determination.

- An arrow that bounces off the target may be shot again at the direction of range officials.
- In the event of a tie, the number of “10’s” will determine the winner. If there is still a tie, we will go to the number of “9’s”, then “8’s” etc. until a winner can be established.
- Scores will be recorded on Scantron scanner scoring cards. Practice cards are available at [www.indiananasp.com](http://www.indiananasp.com) and it is recommended that students practice using these cards to score during practice sessions prior to the competition.
- Archers must sign each other’s cards and their own card prior to leaving the range at the conclusion of the flight. By signing your card, you agree to the scores recorded on it.
- Shooters may record their scores on a duplicate score card provided by the shooter. The duplicate card must be some other color than white. Recording scores on duplicate cards cannot delay the flight and are for personal record only.

Judge’s responsibilities:

- Judges will inspect equipment for compliance before shooting begins.
- Judges will call disputed arrows when called upon.
- Judges will assure archers sign the score card before leaving the range.
- Judges will escort archers who need to shoot bounce-outs to the appropriate lanes.
- Judges will deliver signed score cards to the scoring table at the end of shooting times.

**ANY ISSUES NOT ADDRESSED IN THESE RULES  
OR RULES AFFECTING THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE TOURNAMENT  
WILL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE JUDGES ON THE DAY OF THE TOURNAMENT**

**AWARDS**

**Indiana NASP State Tournament Awards**

- First, second, and third place team awards will be presented to the highest scoring teams in the Elementary (K-6), Middle (7-8), and High School (9-12) Divisions.
- Team scores will be the sum of the 12 highest scores (must include 4 opposite gender scores) shot by archers from each school in each division during the tournament.
- The top School team from each division will qualify to attend the NASP National Competition.
- Additional teams with qualifying scores (qualifying score = sum of top 12 archers including 4 of the opposite gender) may also attend the National Tournament:
  - Elementary School qualifying score is 2,500 points
  - Middle School qualifying Score is 2,600 points
  - High School qualifying score is 2,700 points
  - Male & female Individuals who place 1st-5th in Elementary, Middle, and High School Divisions

If the National Tournament is over-booked, those teams with the lowest qualifying scores will be removed from registration. **National Tournament registration will be on line, with pre-registration being March 1 - 31 and registration April 1 - 23.**

- Individual awards will be presented to the top five (5) boys and top five (5) girls in each Division.
- A School Spirit Award will be given.
- The school with the overall highest scoring team will take home the Indiana NASP State Champion School Trophy.

- An over-all champion boy and girl will be determined. (see below)

### “Overall champion shoot-off”

To showcase the day's top shooters and to increase excitement for spectators, an overall champion shoot-off will be conducted at the conclusion of the flight shooting and before the awards presentation.

- The top 3 scoring boys and girls from each Division will be invited to participate.
- The format for this shoot-off will be as follows:
  - Each student will shoot 1 end of 5 arrows at 15 meters for practice/warm-up.
  - Each student will shoot 1 end of 5 arrows at 15 meters for score.
  - The highest scoring 3 boys and 3 girls will move to the next round.
  - These 6 shooters will shoot 1 end of 5 arrows at 15 meters.
  - The highest scoring 2 boys and 2 girls will move to the final round.
  - These 4 shooters will shoot 1 end of 5 arrows at 15 meters.
  - The highest scoring boy and girl will be declared Indiana’s Over-all Champion male and female archers.
  - The “X”-ring will be in play throughout these rounds with the number of “X”s used to break ties.
  - In the event the score and the number of “X”s are identical for any shooters in any round, those shooters will shoot one arrow each. The arrow closest to the center of the “X” will be the victor.

### LOCATION:

- The Horizon Convention Center is located at 401 S High Street, Muncie, IN 47305
- Driving directions are attached
- The telephone number for the facility is (888)288-8860.
- The telephone number for NASP staff prior to or on the day of the event is (317)694-7531.

### MAJOR CHANGES AND COMMON QUESTIONS

**All archers and staff must remain standing when at the targets and pulling arrows.**

What are the flight times?

Flights will be 1:10 in duration in accordance with the national competition format. Flight times are listed on page 3 of these rules.

What kind of nock is allowed?

Only thread knots or heat shrink nock locators will be permitted to be used. **Brass nock locators are prohibited.** Instructions for tying on a nock locator are available at [www.indiananasp.com](http://www.indiananasp.com)

How many teams can a school enter in the tournament?

All NASP schools may enter one (1) team between January 1, 2010 and February 1, 2010. Between February 2, 2010 and February 15, 2010 a school may enter additional teams and/or individuals as space permits.

What constitutes a team?

For the purpose of registration, a Team refers to a group of between 16 and 24 students shooting in the same division. The Team must have at least 5 of the opposite gender. The entire team must be enrolled in the same school.

What if my school can not field a team of 16 – 24 shooters?

Schools unable to field a NASP archery team because they are too small or of a single gender may:

1. Single Gender: If the school is all male or female, opposite gender participants must come from NASP schools in the same city, county, or school district.
2. Small Schools: If the school contains fewer than 100 students (combination of all grades) the team may be comprised of students from other participating NASP schools in the same city, county, or district.

What is a division?

There are three divisions in this archery tournament - Elementary K-6, Middle 7-8, and High School 9-12. Team and individual competitions will occur within these three divisions.

**National tournament rules:** Only 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders may compete in the Elementary Division at the NATIONAL competition. **A student below 4<sup>th</sup> grade may participate if documentation from the school principal is provided to NASP® at the on-site registration desk indicating the student has participated in the school's NASP® classes and can safely perform all tournament procedures with NASP®-specific equipment.**

What if my flight preference is unavailable?

Flights are available on a first come, first served basis. We will make every effort to accommodate flight requests. Please remember, if you are traveling less than 75 miles you will need to sign up for the first flight. In the event a particular flight has more requests than openings, the Indiana NASP Tournament committee will determine flight assignments based on registration date, travel distance and bus constraints. If your school will be sharing a bus with another school, please indicate this need with your registration.