



United States Archery Team (USAT) Selection Procedures For:

- U21 USAT
- U18 USAT
- 50+ USAT
- Barebow USAT

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Purpose

These USAT Selection Procedures define the process to be selected to the U18, U21, 50+ and Barebow United States Archery Team (USAT).

USA Archery Membership and Other Requirements

To register for and participate in each United States Archery Team (USAT) Qualifying Event, to receive USAT ranking points, to be named to USAT and for the duration of USAT appointment athletes must have a current eligible USA Archery membership type and must register and compete in the gender of their sex assigned at birth. Exceptions to sex assigned at birth will only be made for members who have met the medical eligibility conditions set forth in the USA Archery [Transgender and Non-Binary Inclusion Policy](#), and who have been approved by USA Archery to compete as a Transgender athlete.

Eligibility Guidelines

1. USAT Ranking is provided for USA Archery membership in good standing who have a valid U.S. passport. If an archer does not have a valid U.S. passport, they must have resided in the USA for one year while they are allowed to achieve ranking points and after the end of that year, they need to obtain written permission of the Member Association, if any, of the country from which they have a valid passport to compete for USA. An archer who has changed their nationality, or acquired a new nationality, will need to notify World Archery of the change before they compete internationally representing USA and may not represent the National Team of USA until one year after such a change or acquisition.
 - a. **Foreign archers and archers actively competing internationally for other countries will not receive ranking points from any USAT Qualifying event, to include JOAD Target Nationals and the JOAD U.S. Open or the Target Nationals and the U.S. Open and will be removed from all USAT event final placement rankings at the conclusion of each USAT Qualifying Event and archers ranked below them in final placement will move up in placement accordingly.**
2. A current eligible USA Archery membership type is required to be named to USAT and for the duration of USAT appointment.
3. All members named to USAT must pass and retain a current green light USA Archery Background Screen and complete and retain a current U.S. Center for SafeSport training for the duration of their USAT appointment.
4. All members named to USAT will be required to sign a USA Archery Athlete Agreement by the required deadline. Failure to sign the Athlete Agreement will be deemed as declining their nomination to the team.
5. If an archer declines their initial nomination to USAT, the next ranked archer in the same gender and division who meets all eligibility requirements will be notified of their appointment to USAT if they meet all membership and eligibility requirements. This offer will not be extended to any archer other than the first alternate.
6. If an archer's USA Archery membership is suspended and/or terminated, or if an archer is suspended from the team, the archer's place on the team will not be replaced. Additionally, the archer's USAT benefits will not be passed on to another archer.

7. Para archers may earn ranking points toward Para and Senior and/or other age appropriate USAT ranking. However, to do so Para archers must compete in the Elimination Rounds for Senior, 50+, U21 or U18 at the USAT Qualifying Event and the qualification round for both the Para and the other USAT age class must be held on the same field, at the same time, under the same conditions. There is no guarantee these conditions will be met at all events, which may impact a Para archers' ability to make a non-Para team.

If an archer does not have a current Para national or international classification at the time of the event, they will not be permitted to register in a Para division. However, the archer can still acquire Para national ranking points within the same calendar year for the Para USAT Qualifying events they attended without a Para classification if they obtain a national or international Para classification prior to the end of the last Para USAT Qualifying Event of the same calendar year. If the archer is unable to obtain a national or international Para classification by the end of the final Para USAT Qualifying Event, the archer will not be eligible to receive Para national ranking points for that year. Eligible archers must contact events@usarchery.org upon obtaining a Para classification to request their Para National Ranking points be allocated. Failure to do so will result in Para National Ranking points not being allocated.

Age Criteria

- a. An archer will participate in the Senior Division beginning in the year of their 21st birthday.
- b. An archer may participate in the U21 Division through the calendar year of their 20th birthday.
 - i. Archer's may be selected to the U21 USAT team for the following year even if they turn 21 but will not be eligible to be selected to U21 international teams.
- c. An archer may participate in the U18 Division through the calendar year of their 17th birthday.
 - ii. Archer's may be selected to the U18 USAT team for the following year even if they turn 18 but will not be eligible to be selected to U18 international teams.
- d. An archer may participate in the 50+ Division beginning in the year of their 50th birthday.
- e. U18, U21 and 50+ archers may alternatively participate in the Senior Division.

USAT Team Announcements

Official USAT announcements will be made following the conclusion of all USAT Series events and international events, which contribute to Senior National Ranking international success bonus points, but no later than December 31st annually.

Policy for Missing a Required Event

In the unpreventable situation that an archer is not able to compete in a required event for USAT ranking in their respective age class and division, the Policy for Missing a Required Event outlines the process to request an exemption. The Policy for Missing a Required Event can be found at www.usarchery.org. If an archer receives an exception for missing a Required Event,

they will receive USAT ranking points per the criteria outlined in the Policy for Missing a Required Event.

Ranking Points

At each competition an archer can compete in one age class only. This applies to all age classes for which they are eligible. All eligible archers will receive ranking points in the age class and division for which they compete in at each USAT event. Archers must compete in the minimum required number of events to include the required event, to receive a "rank". Eligible archers may earn a rank in more than one age class and division if all requirements are met.

Other

For information on how to make Senior USAT, please see the Senior USAT Selection Procedures
For information on how to make Para USAT, please see the Para USAT Selection Procedures

A. Explanation of USAT Event Ranking Point Calculations for U18, U21, 50+ and Barebow

NOTE: USAT Ranking points will be removed at the end of each calendar year. All archers will start each calendar year with no USAT ranking points and no USAT Rank.

USAT Ranking Points Calculations

The average of the archer's Qualification Round Ranking Points and the Elimination Round Ranking Points earned at each USAT Qualifying Event will determine the archer's Total USAT Ranking Points.

1. Qualification Round Ranking Points:

Eligible archers will be ranked in order of their total Qualification Round score(s) at each USAT Qualifying Event, (Indoor Nationals, JOAD Target Nationals or Target Nationals final placement), which will determine their Qualification Round Placement. The archer's Qualification Round Placement will equal their Qualification Round Ranking Points.

2. Elimination Round Ranking Points:

Eligible archers shooting Set-System/ matches (Recurve and Barebow) eliminated in the Quarter Finals round in 5th through 8th place will have their Elimination Round Placement determined according to WA rule 14.6.2

- a. Eligible archers shooting Set-System matches (Recurve and Barebow) eliminated in 1/8, 1/16, and 1/32 rounds of competition will have their Elimination Round Placement determined first, by total number of set points **from their last match**, if tied then by the archer's placement in the Qualification Round (i.e. 72 Arrow Round or Double 72 Arrow Round, when applicable) at the same event. If there is a tie **in the Qualification Round Score**, the tie **in the Qualification Round Score**

will be broken by 10s, followed by X's. The archer's Elimination Round Placement will equal their Elimination Round Ranking Points. See example in table below:

Elimination Round Ranking Points	Name	Qualification Round(s) Score [Placement]	1/32 Elimination Round	1/16 Elimination Round	1/8 Elimination Round
9	Archer 1	1217 [9]	6	6	5 Set Pts (Event Qual Placement 9)
10	Archer 2	1215 [10]	6	6	5 Set Pts (Event Qual Placement 10)
11	Archer 3	1253 [4]	7	6	4 Set Pts (Event Qual Placement 4)
12	Archer 4	1208 [11]	6	6	4 Set Pts (Event Qual Placement 11)
13	Archer 5	1251 [5]	7	6	3 Set Pts
14	Archer 6	1189 [19]	7	6	2 Set Pts
15	Archer 7	1218 [5]	6	6	1 Set Pts
16	Archer 8	1197 [15]	6	6	0 Set Pts

Compound and Fixed Pins Elimination Round Ranking Points:

- b. Eligible archers shooting Cumulative point matches (Compound and Fixed Pins) eliminated in the Quarter Finals 5th through 8th, 1/8, 1/16 and 1/32 rounds of competition will have their Elimination Round Placement determined first by the total score of their last match. If there is a tie, the tie will be broken by 10s, followed by, by Xs. If there is still a tie, both archers will receive the same elimination round ranking points.

Compound and Fixed Pins Example:

Elimination Round Ranking Points	Name	Ranking Round Score [Placement]	1/32 Elimination Round	1/16 Elimination Round	1/8 Elimination Round	Quarter Finals
5	Archer 1	1410 [2]	139	146	147	147
6	Archer 2	1298 [6]	148	149	147	145
7	Archer 3	1367 [24]	146	143	145	141 (7 10's, 4 X's)
8	Archer 4	1362 [28]	141	145	146	141 (6 10's, 1 X)
9	Archer 5	1368 [23]	145	147	146	
10	Archer 6	1383 [12]	142	146	145 (10 10's, 5 X's)	
11	Archer 7	1380 [14]	143	146	145 (10 10's, 3 X's)	
12	Archer 8	1380 [15]	146	142	143 (9 10's, 3 X's)	
13	Archer 9	1386 [11]	145	145	143 (8 10's, 5 X's)	

- c. Archers who finish in 65th place or higher in a USAT Qualification Round will have their final Event USAT Points determined by their final event placement.
 - i. Ties for 65th place or higher will be broken by World Archery rule 14.5.

B. U21 USAT SELECTION PROCEDURES

1. Team Selection:

The final top five ranked U21 archers will be named to U21 USAT in the following divisions:

- U21 – Male and Female Recurve
- U21 – Male and Female Compound
- U21 – Male and Female Fixed Pins

2. Event Requirements: Archers must attend three (3) U21 USAT Qualifying Events, to include one (1) required event, to be eligible to receive a U21 USAT ranking (See the Policy for Missing a Required Event and B.5. for Exceptions).

3. U21 USAT Qualifying Events include:

- a. USA Archery Indoor Nationals: **Final Placement in U21 Division**
- b. USAT Series Event #1: **U21 USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
- c. USAT Series Event #2: **U21 USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
- d. USAT Series Event #3: **U21 USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
- e. USAT Series Event #4: **U21 USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
- f. **REQUIRED: JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open: U21 USAT Ranking Points defined by f.i.1 and f.i.2.**
 - i. **Participation at JOAD Target Nationals and the JOAD U.S. Open is REQUIRED to receive a U21 USAT Ranking.**
 1. The average of the archer's placement from the JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open will be used to calculate U21 USAT Ranking Points for these events.
 2. Although participation is required, the use of the U21 USAT Ranking Points from JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open is not required to be used in the calculation of the archer's total U21 USAT Ranking Points.

4. For each USAT Qualifying Event, eligible U21 archers will receive U21 USAT Ranking Points as follows:

- a. If an outdoor USAT event has both a U21 Qualification Round and a U21 Elimination Round, the average of the Qualification Round and the Elimination Round placement will be used to calculate the U21 USAT Ranking Points for that event.
 - i. If an outdoor USAT Qualifier Series event does not have a U21 Elimination Round, then the final placement from the Qualification Round will be used for the U21 USAT Ranking Points for that event.
- b. Each archer will utilize the U21 USAT Ranking Points from their three (3) best USAT Qualifying Events in which they participate in the U21 age class to calculate their U21 USAT Ranking (see B.5. and the Policy for Missing a Required Event for exceptions to the number of required events).

- c. The total U21 USAT Ranking Points for each archer will be calculated as follows:
- i. Total U21 USAT Ranking Points = USAT Qualifying Event highest U21 Ranking Points + USAT Qualifying Event 2nd highest U21 Ranking Points + USAT Qualifying Event 3rd highest U21 Ranking Points.
 - ii. Ties for U21 USAT in in the 5th position will be broken by the archer's final placement in the JOAD Target Nationals (total score of all qualification rounds completed, then 10s then Xs), and if still tied, both archers will be named to U21 USAT.

d. Example:

			JOAD Target Nat's & JOAD U.S. Open	Indoor Nat's	USAT #1	USAT #2	USAT #3	USAT #4
U21 Rank	Name	U21 USAT Ranking Points	Avg. of placement at both events	Final Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place
1	Archer 1	4	1	3	1000	2	4	1
2	Archer 2	5	5	1	1	3	3	1000
3	Archer 3	6	6	1	1	1000	4	4

5. Exceptions to the Required Number of Events:

- a. If three (3) or fewer USAT Qualifying Events are held in any given year, archers will be required to attend all USAT Qualifying Events to be eligible for U21 USAT.
- b. If the required event is canceled, there will be no required event.

C. U18 USAT SELECTION PROCEDURES

1. The final top five ranked U18 archers will be named to U18 USAT in the following divisions:
 - a. U18 – Male and Female Recurve
 - b. U18 – Male and Female Compound
 - c. U18 – Male and Female Fixed Pins

1. Event Requirements: Archers must attend three (3) U18 USAT Qualifying Events, to include one (1) required event, to be eligible to receive a U18 USAT ranking (See the Policy for Missing a Required Event and C.5. for Exceptions).

2. U18 USAT Qualifying Events include:
 - a. USA Archery Indoor Nationals: **Final Place** in U18 Division
 - b. USAT Series Event #1: **U18 USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
 - c. USAT Series Event #2: **U18 USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
 - d. USAT Series Event #3: **U18 USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
 - e. USAT Series Event #4: **U18 USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
 - f. REQUIRED: JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open: **U18 USAT Ranking Points Defined by f.i.1 and f.i.2.**
 - i. **Participation at JOAD Target Nationals and the JOAD U.S. Open is REQUIRED to receive a U18 USAT Ranking.**
 1. The average of the archer's placement from the JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open will be used to calculate U18 USAT Ranking Points from these events.
 2. Although participation is required, the use of USAT ranking points for the JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open are not required to be used in the calculation of the archer's total USAT ranking points.

3. For each USAT Event, eligible U18 archers will receive U18 USAT Ranking Points as follows:
 - a. If an outdoor USAT event has both a U18 Qualification Round and a U18 Elimination Round, the average of the Qualification Round and the Elimination Round placement will be used for the U18 USAT Ranking Points for that event.
 - i. If an outdoor USAT event does not have a U18 Elimination Round, then the archer's final placement from the Qualification Round will be used to calculate the archer's U18 USAT Ranking Points for that event.
 - b. Each archer will utilize the U18 USAT Ranking Points from their three (3) best U18 USAT Qualifying Events within the calendar year to calculate their overall U18 USAT Ranking Points (see C.5. and the Policy for Missing a Required Event for exceptions to the number of required events).
 - c. The total U18 USAT Ranking Points for each archer will be calculated as follows:

- i. Total U18 USAT Ranking Points = U18 USAT Qualifying Event highest U18 Ranking Points + U18 USAT Qualifying Event 2nd highest U18 Ranking Points + U18 USAT Qualifying Event 3rd highest U18 Ranking Points.
- ii. Ties for U18 USAT in the in the 5th position will be broken by the archer's final placement in the JOAD Target Nationals (total score of all rounds completed, then 10s then Xs), and if still tied, both archers will be named to U18 USAT.

d. Example:

			JOAD Target Nat's & JOAD U.S. Open	Indoor Nat's	USAT #1	USAT #2	USAT #3	USAT #4
U18 Rank	Name	Total U18 USAT Ranking Points	Avg. of placement at both events	Final Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place
1	Archer 1	4	1	3	1000	2	4	1
2	Archer 2	5	5	1	1	3	3	1000
3	Archer 3	6	6	1	1	1000	4	4

4. Exceptions to the Required Number of Events:

- a. If three (3) or fewer USAT Qualifying Events are held in any given year, archers will be required to attend all events to be eligible for U18 USAT.
- b. If the required event is canceled, there will be no required event.

D. 50+ USAT SELECTION PROCEDURES

2. Team Selection

The final top five ranked 50+ archers will be named to 50+ USAT in the following age classes and divisions:

- 50+ (Age 50+ combined) – Male and Female Recurve
- 50+ (Age 50+ combined) – Male and Female Compound

3. Event Requirements: Archers must attend three (3) 50+ USAT Qualifying events, to include one (1) required event, to be eligible to receive a 50+ USAT ranking (See the Policy for Missing a Required Event and D.5. for Exceptions).

4. 50+ USAT Qualifying Events Include:

- USA Archery Indoor Nationals: **Final Place** in 50+ Age Class Combined
 - USAT Series Event #1: **50+ USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
 - USAT Series Event #2: **50+ USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
 - USAT Series Event #3: **50+ USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
 - USAT Series Event #4: **50+ USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
 - REQUIRED: USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open: **50+ USAT Ranking Points Defined by f.i.1 and f.i.2.**
 - USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open participation is REQUIRED to receive a 50+ USAT Ranking.**
 - The average of the archer's placement from the Target Nationals and U.S. Open will be used to calculate 50+ USAT Ranking.
 - Although participation is required, the use of 50+ USAT Ranking Points for the Target Nationals and U.S. Open are not required to be used in the calculation of the archer's total 50+ USAT ranking points.
5. For each USAT Qualifying Event, eligible 50+ archers will receive 50+ USAT Ranking Points as follows:
- If an outdoor USAT Qualifying Event has both a 50+ Qualification Round and a 50+ Elimination Round, the average of the Qualification Round and the Elimination Round placement will be used to calculate the 50+ USAT Ranking Points for that event.
 - If an outdoor USAT Qualifying Event does not have a 50+ Elimination Round, then the archer's final placement from the Qualification Round will be used for the 50+ USAT Ranking Points for that event.
 - Each archer will utilize the 50+ USAT Ranking Points from their three (3) best 50+ USAT Qualifying Events within the calendar year to calculate their overall 50+ USAT Ranking Points (see the Policy for Missing a Required Event and D.5. for exceptions to the number of required events).
 - The total 50+ USAT Ranking Points for each archer will be calculated as follows:

- i. Total 50+ USAT Ranking Points = 50+ USAT Qualifying Event highest 50+ Ranking Points + 50+ USAT Qualifying Event 2nd highest 50+ Ranking Points + 50+ USAT Qualifying Event 3rd highest 50+ Ranking Points.
- ii. Ties for 50+ USAT in the 3rd position will be broken by the archer's final placement at the USA Archery Target Nationals (total score of all rounds, then 10s then Xs), and if still tied, both archers will be named to 50+ USAT.

d. Example:

			Target Nat's and US Open	Indoor Nat's	USAT #1	USAT #2	USAT #3	USAT #4
50+ Rank	Name	Total 50+ USAT Ranking Points	Average of Placement at both events	Final Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place
1	Archer 1	4	2.5	1	1000	2	4	1
2	Archer 2	6.5	2.5	3	1	3	3	1000
3	Archer 3	7.0	4	2	1	1000	4	4

6. Exceptions to the Required Number of Events:

- a. If three (3) or fewer USAT Qualifying Events are held in any given year, archers will be required to attend all events to be eligible for 50+ USAT.
- b. If the required event is canceled, there will be no required event.

E. BAREBOW USAT SELECTION PROCEDURES

1. Team Selection

Barebow USAT will consist of the top **five** ranked Barebow archers per gender in in the U18, U21, Senior and 50+ Divisions.

2. **Event Requirements:** Archers must attend four (4) Barebow USAT Qualifying events, to be eligible to receive a Barebow USAT ranking (See the Policy for Missing a Required Event and E.5. for Exceptions).

3. Barebow USAT Qualifying Events include:

- a. USA Archery Indoor Nationals: **Final Place** in U18, U21, Senior or 50+ Division
- b. USAT Series Event #1: **Barebow USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
- c. USAT Series Event #2: **Barebow USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
- d. USAT Series Event #3: **Barebow USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
- e. USAT Series Event #4: **Barebow USAT Ranking Points Defined by 4.**
- f. USA Archery Field Nationals: The archer's event placement points from USA Archery Field Nationals will be calculated based on the combined total score of the marked and unmarked rounds.
- g. **REQUIRED U18 and U21: JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open: **U18 and U21 Barebow USAT Ranking Points Defined by g.i.1 and g.i.2.****
 - i. **Participation at JOAD Target Nationals and the JOAD U.S. Open is REQUIRED to receive a U18 and U21 Barebow USAT Ranking.**
 1. The average of the archer's placement from the JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open will be used to calculate U18 and U21 Barebow USAT Ranking Points from these events.
 2. Although participation is required, the use of USAT ranking points for the JOAD Target Nationals and JOAD U.S. Open are not required to be used in the calculation of the archer's total U18 and U21 Barebow USAT ranking points.
- h. **REQUIRED Senior and 50+: USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open: **Barebow Senior and 50+ USAT Ranking Points Defined by h.i.1 and h.i.2.****
 - i. **USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open participation is REQUIRED to receive a Senior and 50+ Barebow USAT Ranking.**
 1. The average of the archer's placement from the Target Nationals and U.S. Open will be used to calculate Senior and 50+ Barebow USAT Ranking Points from these events.
 2. Although participation is required, the use of Senior and 50+ Barebow USAT Ranking Points for the Target Nationals and U.S. Open are not required to be used in the calculation of the archer's total Senior and 50+ Barebow USAT ranking points.

4. For each USAT Qualifying Event, Barebow archers will receive Barebow USAT Ranking Points as follows:

- a. If an outdoor USAT Qualifying Event has both a Qualification Round and an Elimination Round, the average of the Qualification Round and the Elimination Round placement will be used to calculate the Barebow USAT Ranking Points for that event.
 - i. If an outdoor USAT Qualifying Event does not have an Elimination Round, then the archer's final placement from the Qualification Round will be used to calculate the archer's Barebow USAT Ranking Points for that event.
- b. Each archer will utilize the Barebow USAT Ranking Points from their four (4) best Barebow USAT Qualifying Events within the calendar year to calculate their overall Barebow USAT Ranking Points which will determine their Barebow USAT Ranking (see 6. and the Policy for Missing a Required Event for exceptions).
- c. The total Barebow USAT Ranking Points for each archer will be calculated as follows:
 - i. Total Barebow USAT Ranking Points = Barebow USAT Qualifying Event highest Barebow Ranking Points + Barebow USAT Qualifying Event 2nd highest Barebow Ranking Points + Barebow USAT Qualifying Event 3rd highest Barebow Ranking Points + Barebow USAT Qualifying Event 4th highest Barebow Ranking Points.
 - ii. Ties for Barebow USAT in the 3rd position will be broken by the archer's final placement at the USA Archery JOAD Target Nationals or Target Nationals (total score of all rounds, then 10s then Xs), and if still tied, both archers will be named to Barebow USAT.

Example:

			Field Nat's	JOAD Target/JOAD U.S. Open or Target Nat's/U.S. Open	Indoor Nat's	USAT #1	USAT #2	USAT #3	USAT #4
Barebow Rank	Name	Total Barebow USAT Ranking Points	Final Place	Average of Placements at both events	Final Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place	Avg. of Qual Round and ER Place
1	Archer 1	6.5	4	2.5	1	1000	2	4	1
2	Archer 2	7.5	1	2.5	3	1	3	3	1000
3	Archer 3	12.5	6	3.5	4	1	1000	4	4

5. Exceptions to the Required Number of Events:

- a. If four (4) or fewer USAT Qualifying Events are held in any given year, archers will be required to attend all events to be eligible for Barebow USAT.
- b. If a required event is canceled, the archer will not be required to attend the required event.