



SENIOR RECURVE AND COMPOUND USAT SELECTION PROCEDURES

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Purpose

The Senior Recurve and Compound USAT Selection Procedures defines the process to be selected to the Senior United States Archery Team (USAT).

USA Archery Membership and Other Requirements

To register for and participate in each United States Archery Team (USAT) Series Events, 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 members 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 athletes and athletes actively competing internationally for other countries will not receive ranking points from any USAT Series Event, to include the Target Nationals and the U.S. Open and will be removed from all USAT Series Event final placement rankings at the conclusion of each USAT Series Event and athletes 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 age 18+ 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 a Para and Senior and/or other age appropriate USAT ranking. However, to do so Para archers must compete in the Elimination Rounds for the corresponding category (i.e. Senior, U21, etc.) at each USAT Series Event and may only do so if the qualification round for both the Para and the other USAT Series Event age class is held on the same field, at the same time, under the same conditions. There is no guarantee these conditions will be met at all USAT Series Events, which may impact a Para archers' ability to make a non-Para team.

USAT Team Announcements

Official USAT announcements will be made following the conclusion of all USAT Series Events and international events which contribute to 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 the required event, the Policy for Missing a Required Event outlines the process to request an exemption. If an archer receives an exception for missing the required event, they will receive ranking points as outlined in the Policy for Missing a Required Event. See Section 2.d.i. and 2.d.ii. of this policy for information and exceptions for missing a non-required USAT event.

Ranking Points

At each competition an athlete 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 Series Event. Archers must compete in the minimum number of USAT Series Events to include the required event, to receive a "rank". Eligible athletes may earn a rank in more than one age class and division if all requirements are met.

Publicity and Distribution of Procedures

The approved Selection Procedures (complete and unaltered) will be posted/published by USA Archery in the following location(s): USA Archery website: www.usarchery.org. These procedures will be posted as soon as possible, but not more than five business days following approval by the USA Archery Selection Procedures Committee.

Anti-Doping Requirements

Athletes must adhere to all IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, WADA, IF, USADA and USOPC anti-doping protocols, policies and procedures, as applicable. This includes participation in Out-of-Competition Testing as required by the IOC, IPC, Panam Sports, APC, WADA, IF, USADA and USOPC rules, as applicable.

Selection Procedures Committee

- The Selection Procedure Committee Representatives include:
- USA Archery, Chief of Sport Performance and Operations, Mary Emmons
- Coach Advisory Council Representative, Linda Beck
- Director of Events, Amanda Mangum
- Team USA AC Representative, Jacob Wukie
- Team USA AC Alternate, Heather Koehl

These procedures were developed with review and feedback from the USA Archery Athlete Advisory Council (<https://www.usarchery.org/about/committees>).

USA Archery Bylaws and Grievance Procedures

The USA Archery Bylaws and Disciplinary Proceedings and Grievance Policy can be found at: www.usarchery.org.

Athlete Ombuds Office

The Athlete Ombuds Office provides cost-free, independent and confidential advice regarding athlete rights, grievance procedures and any other related guidance pertaining to selection procedures and can assist in mediating disputes between athletes and USA Archery.

Athlete Ombuds Office Contact Information:


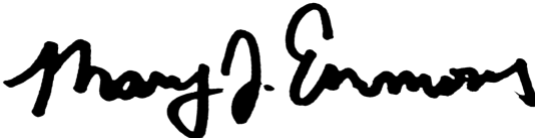

PHONE: (719) 866-5000

EMAIL: ombudsman@usathlete.org

WEBSITE: www.usathlete.org

USA Archery Signatures

I certify that I have read and understand the standards/criteria set by World Archery and incorporated those standards/criteria into our Selection Procedures, when applicable. I further certify that the information provided herein regarding Athlete Selection Procedures represents the method approved by USA Archery.

Position	Print Name	Signature	Date
CEO, USA Archery	Rod Menzer		11/6/24
Chief of Sport Performance and Operations, USA Archery	Mary Emmons		11/6/24
USOPC Athletes' Advisory Council Representative*	Jacob Wukie		11/6/24

* If the Team USA AC Representative has delegated authority to the Alternate Team USA AC Representative to sign the Selection Procedures, attach a letter from the Team USA AC Representative indicating the reason they have delegated authority.

* Signature by the Athlete Representative constitutes that they have read and understands the Selection Procedures. If the Athlete Representative reads and does not agree with the Athlete Selection Procedures being submitted by USA Archery, they may submit those reasons in writing to USA Archery at international_teams@usarchery.org.

Senior USAT will consist of:

- a. The final top eight ranked senior archers, per gender and division will be named to Senior USAT per the criteria defined in the Senior USAT Selection Procedures.
- b. Any eligible USA Archery member may compete as a Senior at the Target Nationals and U.S. Open.

The following sections will apply to Senior Recurve Men and Women and Senior Compound Men Only:

Fundamental Components:

1. National Event Placement Points - calculated by individual:
 - a. Qualification Round Placement
 - b. Single Arrow Average (SAA) Placement During Elimination Round Matches through the 1/4 Round (excludes medal matches)
 - c. Elimination Round Placement
2. International Success Bonus Points – calculated by individual elimination round placement at the following events:
 - a. Outdoor World Cup Events and Outdoor World Cup Final
 - b. World Archery Target Championships
 - c. Olympic Games

Senior Ranking Point Calculations:

1. Qualification Round Placement:

Eligible archers will be ranked based on their Qualification Round Score(s), receiving a Qualification Round Placement.

2. SAA Placement During Elimination Round Matches through the 1/4 Round:

Eligible archers will receive placement points based on their SAA amongst the other eligible archers in the elimination round matches. SAA Values will be rounded to the nearest thousandth, rounding up at .0005 and above. Ties within SAA values will remain when factoring an archer's SAA Placement.

3. Elimination Round Placement:

- a. Eligible archers eliminated in the 1/8, 1/16, and 1/32 rounds of competition will have their Elimination Round Placement determined by their SAA of the match in which they were eliminated. All archers in the 1/8 Round will have their Elimination Round Placement separated against all archers eliminated in the 1/8 Round, using the archer's SAA of the 1/8 Round. This is also the case for all archers eliminated in the 1/16 and 1/32 Rounds.

- b. Archers eliminated in the 1/4 Round (5th through 8th place) will have their Elimination Round Placement determined by World Archery rule 14.6.

Calculating Event Placement Points:

1. Three Fundamental Components

The three components of the event placement points will be weighted to calculate an archer's Event Placement Points. The formula rewards archers for a high level of performance in all three fundamental components. An archer's Event Placement Points provides a comprehensive overview of the archer's performance for a given competition.

Qualification Round Placement	40%
Single Arrow Average Placement	20%
<u>Elimination Round Placement</u>	<u>40%</u>
Event Placement Points	100%

2. Calculating an Archer's Event Placement Points

$((\text{Qualification Round Placement} \times .40) + (\text{Single Arrow Average Placement} \times .20) + (\text{Elimination Round Placement} \times .40)) = \text{National Event Placement Points}$

Example A:

$$\begin{aligned} & ((7\text{th Place} - \text{Qualification Round} \times .40) + (6\text{th Place} - \text{Single Arrow Average} \times .20) + (9\text{th Place} - \text{Elimination Round} \times .40)) \\ & = ((7 * .40) + (6 * .20) + (9 * .40)) \\ & = (2.80 + 1.20 + 3.6) \\ & \text{Event Placement Points} = 7.60 \end{aligned}$$

Example B:

$$\begin{aligned} & ((10\text{th Place} - \text{Qualification Round} \times .40) + (7\text{th Place} - \text{Single Arrow Average} \times .20) + (10\text{th Place} - \text{Elimination Round} \times .40)) \\ & = ((10 * .40) + (7 * .20) + (10 * .40)) \\ & = (4.00 + 1.40 + 4.00) \\ & \text{Event Placement Points} = 9.40 \end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE:	Qual Round Place			1/16 Round		1/8 Round		SAA of Elim Match	Total Score Shot in Matches	Total # of Arrows Shot in Matches	Single Arrow Avg. Score	Single Arrow Avg. Place	Elim. Round Place	USAT Placing Points
A	1393	/	7	148	15	114	12	9.500	262	27	9.704	6	9	7.60
B	1382	/	10	119	12	142	15	9.467	261	27	9.667	7	10	9.40
C	1353	/	14	85	9	113	12	9.417	198	21	9.429	14	11	12.80
D	1381	/	11	143	15	84	9	9.333	227	24	9.458	10	12	11.20
E	1396	/	5	115	12	139	15	9.267	254	27	9.407	16	13	10.40
F	1414	/	1	116	12	111	12	9.250	227	24	9.458	10	14	8.00
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The following sections will apply to Senior Compound Women Only:

Fundamental Components:

1. USAT Series Event Placement Points - calculated by individual:
 - a. Qualification Round Placement
 - b. Elimination Round Placement
2. International Success Points – calculated by individual elimination round placement at the following events:
 - a. Outdoor World Cup Event(s) and Outdoor World Cup Final
 - b. World Archery Target Championships

Senior Ranking Point Calculations:

1. Qualification Round Placement:

Eligible archers will be ranked based on their Qualification Round Score(s), receiving a Qualification Round Placement.

2. Elimination Round Placement:

- a. Eligible archers eliminated in the 1/8, 1/16, and 1/32 rounds of competition will have their Elimination Round Placement determined by their SAA of the match in which they were eliminated. All archers in the 1/8 Round will have their Elimination Round Placement separated against all archers eliminated in the 1/8 Round, using the archer's SAA of the 1/8 Round. This is also the case for all archers eliminated in the 1/16 and 1/32 Rounds.
- b. Archers eliminated in the 1/4 round (5th through 8th place) will have their Elimination Round Placement ranked according to World Archery rule 14.6.2.

Calculating Event Placement Points:

1. Two Fundamental Components

- a. The two components of the event placement points will be weighted to calculate an archer's Event Placement Points. The formula rewards archers for a high level of performance in two fundamental components. An archer's Event Placement Points provides a comprehensive overview of the archer's performance for a given competition.

Qualification Round Placement	60%
Elimination Round Placement	40%
Event Placement Points	100%

2. Calculating an Archer's Event Placement Points

$$\begin{aligned} & ((\text{Qualification Round Placement} \times .60) + (\text{Elimination Round Placement} \times .40)) \\ & = \text{National Event Placement Points} \end{aligned}$$

Example A:

$$\begin{aligned} & ((7\text{th Place} - \text{Qualification Round} \times .60) + (9\text{th Place} - \text{Elimination Round} \times .40)) \\ & = ((7 * .60) + (9 * .40)) \\ & = (2.80 + 3.6) \\ & \text{Event Placement Points} = 6.4 \end{aligned}$$

Example B:

$$\begin{aligned} & ((10\text{th Place} - \text{Qualification Round} \times .60) + (10\text{th Place} - \text{Elimination Round} \times .40)) \\ & = ((10 * .60) + (10 * .40)) \\ & = (6.00 + 4.00) \\ & \text{Event Placement Points} = 10.0 \end{aligned}$$

International Success Bonus Points

1. International Success Bonus Points reward eligible archers who finish in the Top 8 at an Outdoor World Cup, Olympic Games and/or World Archery Target Championships. International Success Bonus Points will also be awarded to archers who finish in the Top 3 at the Outdoor World Cup Final as listed below.
2. International Success Bonus Points will be applied to an archer's Senior national ranking as follows:
 - a. International Success Bonus Points will be shown as a negative number in the Senior national ranking points.
 - b. International Success Bonus Points will be removed following the completion of the same event from the previous year, or no later than one calendar year from the event completion date in which the points were earned in the previous year.

3. International Success Bonus Points will be awarded as follows:

	OUTDOOR WORLD CUP STAGES	OLYMPIC GAMES AND WORLD ARCHERY TARGET CHAMPIONSHIPS	OUTDOOR WORLD CUP FINAL
TOP 3 FINISH			-1.0
TOP 4 FINISH	--- .5	--- 1.0	
TOP 8 FINISH	--- 0.25	--- .5	

Senior USAT Series Event Participation Requirements:

Archers must attend a minimum of four (4) USAT Series Events, to include the required event, to be eligible to receive a Senior National Ranking except as explained in C.2.d. and C.2. e.

Senior USAT Series Events include:

1. THE REQUIRED EVENT

- a. Participation at the USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open is required to receive a Senior National Ranking.
 - i. In the unpreventable situation that an archer is not able to compete in the required event they should promptly review the [Policy for Missing the Required Event](#), which outlines the process for requesting an exception.
- b. For Senior Recurve Men and Women and Senior Compound Men, the event placement points for the USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open will be calculated by the following formula: ((Target Nationals Placement x .40) + (Single Arrow Average Placement x .20) + (U.S. Open Elimination Round Placement x .40)).
- c. For Senior Compound Women, the event placement points for the USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open will be calculated by the following formula ((Target Nationals Placement x .60) + (U.S. Open Placement x .40)).
- d. Although participation is required, the use of the event placement points for the USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open is not required in the archer’s Senior National Ranking.
- e. Ties in the 8th position for Senior USAT will be broken by the archer’s final placement at the USA Archery Target Nationals (total score of two 72 arrow Qualification Rounds, then 10s, then Xs). If still tied, both archers will be placed on the team.

2. USAT EVENT SERIES

- a. Senior USAT Serie Events include:
 - i. USAT Series Event 1 will be the 1st USAT Event of the calendar year.
 - ii. USAT Series Event 2 will be the 2nd USAT Event of the calendar year.
 - iii. USAT Series Event 3 will be the 3rd USAT Event of the calendar year.
 - iv. USAT Series Event 4 will be the 4th USAT Event of the calendar year.
 - v. **REQUIRED EVENT**: USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open is the 5th USAT Event of the calendar year and is the **REQUIRED EVENT**.
- b. The final Senior Ranking will only include USAT Series Events for that calendar year.
- c. Eligible USAT Series Events for the current Senior Ranking will consist of the best four total USAT Series Events such that:
 - i. Only the five most recent completed USAT Series Events will be calculated in the current National Rankings.
 - ii. When USAT Series Event 1 of the calendar year has occurred, USAT Series Event 1 of the previous year will be removed from the list of eligible competitions.
 - iii. When USAT Series Event 2 of the calendar year has occurred, USAT Series Event 2 of the previous year will be removed from the list of eligible competitions.
 - iv. When USAT Series Event 3 of the calendar year has occurred, USAT Series Event 3 of the previous year will be removed from the list of eligible competitions.
 - v. When USAT Series Event 4 of the calendar year has occurred, USAT Series Event 4 of the previous year will be removed from the list of eligible competitions.
 - vi. When the USAT Series Event, the USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open of the calendar year has occurred, the USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S Open of the previous year will be removed from the list of eligible competitions.
 - vii. Only the best four USAT Series Events that yield the best (lowest) Senior National Ranking points out of the five most recent USAT Series events will be used to determine an archer's Senior National ranking.
 - viii. An archer must compete in a minimum of four USAT Series Events to receive a Senior National ranking. Participation in the most recent USA Archery Target Nationals and U.S. Open is required to receive a Senior National ranking, except as explained in Section C. 2.d. and C.2. e.
- d. **MISSING NON-REQUIRED USAT EVENTS: AN EXCEPTION WILL BE GRANTED FOR PARTICPATION AT APPROVED INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND/OR RELATED QUOTA EVENTS THAT CONFLICT WITH THE USAT SERIES EVENT SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:**
 - i. Archers selected to the Olympic Games, Paralympic Games, Youth Olympic Games, Pan American Games, Para Pan American Games, Junior Pan American Games, World University Games and/or World Games

team or selected to participate in related quota events or who are named to a World Cup, World Cup Final, World Archery Championship, Youth World Archery Championship, World University Championship, World University Games, World Archery Field Championship or World Archery 3D Championship team who are unable to attend a non-required USAT event due to their participation in one of the events listed above, will receive Senior ranking points at the end of the calendar year for the missed USAT Series Event equal to the average of their top three (3) USAT Series Events in the calendar year. The archer must attend and complete a minimum of three (3) USAT Series Events that calendar year to receive their average Senior ranking points of their top three (3) USAT Series Events in the calendar year.

- ii. Archers who miss two non-required USAT Series Events for the reasons outlined in 2.d.i. above, will receive Senior ranking points only for the first missed non-required USAT Series Event equal to the average of their top three (3) USAT Series Events in the calendar year. The second missed non-required USAT Series Event will be treated as a missed event, which can later be dropped prior to the calculation of the archer's final Senior national rank.
- e. Exceptions to attending a minimum of four (4) USAT Series Events:
As a precautionary measure, if one or more USAT Series Events are canceled, the following will occur:
- i. If only 4 USAT Series Events are held, archers will only be required to attend 3 USAT Series Events to be eligible for Senior USAT.
 - ii. If 3 or fewer USAT Series Events are held in any given year, archers will be required to attend all USAT Series Events to be eligible for the Senior USAT.
 - iii. If the required event is canceled, there will be no required event.