

VEGAS in VALDEZ ARCHERY (ViVA) 600 ROUND RULES

Updated 2018

Adult Divisions: There will be four (4) adult divisions determined by age. Adult (18-49); Senior Division (50 – 59); Silver Senior (60-69); Master Senior (70 and older). There must be three (3) or more archers registered in each division for that division to stand. If there are less than three (3) archers in a division then those archers will merge with the next lower age division. For example, if only two archers register in a Senior Division then those two archers would merge to shoot with the Adult Division archers.

Each division will be offered in Male and Female categories.

Adult Shooting Styles: ViVA will follow the NFAA By-Laws ARTICLE II as it relates to shooting styles and equipment rules, including the recent elimination and merging of some styles as adopted in 2017.

Junior Divisions / Styles: There will be three (3) Junior divisions open to all archers, 17 years of age or younger; Cub (11 and under), Youth (12-14) and Young Adult (15-17). Two (2) shooting styles, Compound and Recurve will be open for Cub and Youth divisions. Shooting Styles for Young Adults will be per the NFAA By-Laws ARTICLE II as it relates to shooting styles and equipment rules, including the recent elimination and merging of some styles as adopted in 2017.

The archer must be the appropriate age at the start of competition and remains in that category even if they celebrate a birthday during the competition.

Each division will be offered in Male and Female categories; with **the exception of the Cub Division where both girls and boys will compete together.**

Archers may register in multiple divisions and styles and must pay the registration fee for each entry. Archers are allowed to shoot through on a line/round but will not be allowed to shoot in more than one division and style per line/round.

Awards: The number of entries in any division / style will determine the number of places offered in each division / style. Example: for division/styles with 1-3 archers only first place will be recognized; 4-6 archers, first & second place finishes will be awarded; any division with 7 or more archers, first – third place finishes will be awarded.

PWSC Scholarship Awards (up to three) will be offered to the top three Young Adult competitors. At least one award each will be offered to both the top female and top male Young Adult shooters. This award is made at the sole discretion of the PWSC administration and is funded through the college scholarship program.

Cash awards for any competition whether the Vegas 600 Round or any fun shoot event held during ViVA will be at the discretion of the ViVA and the PWSC / Valdez Archery Club leadership. All cash awards are provided solely by the PWSC / Valdez Archery Club or ViVA sponsors. No cash awards are paid out from ViVA registration fees or by the Alaska State Archery Association. All cash award winners must complete an IRS tax determination form.

Target: All Cub, Youth, Young Adult and Adult **Compound Divisions** will shoot on either the 40 cm Vegas three-spot target face with gold – red– blue (10-9-8-7-6) scoring areas or the 40 cm single-spot face with 10 through 1 scoring.

Archers using the dual face Vegas target can switch target faces (single-spot or three-spot) at any time during practice rounds and competition.

All Adult **Recurve and Traditional Divisions** will shoot on the 40 cm single-spot face with 10 through 1 scoring.

Cub, Youth, and Young Adult **Recurve and Traditional Divisions** will shoot on the 60 cm Indoor Face with 10 through 1 scoring.

The x-ring of the 40 cm Indoor Vegas Face will be used for tiebreaks. After the fifth end of competition, target faces are changed from bottom to top or vice versa.

Distance for Youth, Young Adult and Adult Divisions: 20 Yards

Distance for Cubs: 10 Yards

Rounds: Each round on Saturday and Sunday will consist of ten ends; 3 arrows per end.

Ties: Ties for first, second and third place will be determined by the highest total score from both days of competition, not counting x's. All competitors tied with the same high score – winner will be determined by x count. If still tied, the shooters will enter into a one end shoot off and will commence to shoot in sudden death ends until a winner is determined. First – Third place finishes will not be determined until all tie breakers have been settled.

All Junior Division ties will be decided by the highest score in the following sequence 1) total x's 2) 1st round score 3) 2nd round score.

Shooting Rules:

Each end (time period to shoot three arrows) shall be 2 minutes.

Archers shooting first will shoot the lower target face positions.

An archer shooting before the signaling of a 2-minute end or after the time has lapsed will lose their highest scoring arrow or arrows equaling the number of errant arrows shot.

If more than 3 arrows are shot during an end, only the lowest 3 arrows will be scored. A penalty of one point will be assessed for each additional arrow shot. Misses or zeros will be counted as lowest arrows.

If an archer shoots less than three arrows in one end and retires from the line, he/she may shoot the remaining arrows if the omission is discovered before the end is officially completed and the line has not been cleared; otherwise they shall be scored as misses.

An archer who purposely disfigures a target face to improve aiming or for any other reason, may be disqualified. Arrow holes may be repaired, provided there is no delay to the round. At any time during a line/round a VIVA judge may ask an archer to replace their target face with a new one; or a competitor

may ask the ViVA judge to consider requiring an archer to replace their target face. All ViVA judge decisions are final.

Any archer conducting himself in an unsportsmanlike manner will be IMMEDIATELY disqualified and removed from the site.

Peak compound bow draw weight shall not exceed 80 lbs.

Maximum arrow shaft diameter allowed will be 0.422 inches, with a point diameter not to exceed 0.425 inches. The shaft diameter will include any wrap placed on the arrow and will include the size of the nock and the nock insert.

Any equipment that impairs the hearing of the competitor will not be allowed on the shooting line.

Any archer that is hearing impaired must notify ViVA hosts prior to shooting.

Scoring:

When scoring, archers identify who is the caller, scorer and target captain for their bale. The Captain helps to settle the final call on an arrow. If the group can't determine a final score, then a line judge is called. Physical Target Face placement is first come first serve. Archers will be responsible for understanding the scoring procedures and verifying their scores.

All scoring on the official scorecard must be completed in ink. Any changes on the official scorecard must be agreed upon and initialed by all archers in the scoring group.

Scoring Rules:

A ViVA judge will make all decisions on scoring questionable arrows; their decisions are final.

All arrows must remain in the target, untouched, until scoring is completed.

Any archer intentionally touching any questionable arrow or any part of the target assembly (including other arrows, faces, pins, mat or stand) will result in the questionable arrow being scored in the lower scoring area. If it happens more than once, then the archer will be disqualified.

The three-spot target face is scored on the gold (10,9), red (8,7), and blue (6) rings. The target face must be placed on the mat in an upright position.

Arrows must **touch** the line to be in the next highest scoring area.

Any arrow that passes beyond the shooting line a distance greater than 10 feet as measured to the closest part of the arrow, will be considered a shot arrow. See mark on the floor.

If an arrow is embedded in the target beyond the nock, a judge must be called and the arrow should not be touched. If the arrow is touched before the judge arrives, then the arrow is not scored. If a judge cannot determine the value of that arrow, it will be considered a pass through, and will be re-shot. NO ARROWS WILL BE PUSHED BACK.

Bounce outs can be shot again at the end of regulation shooting.

Each competitor must complete and sign his own scorecard. Both scorers must also sign it. When there is a difference on the two cards, the lowest score must be taken. All scorecards must be submitted to the registration desk within 20 minutes of the conclusion of the round. ANY ARCHER TURNING IN AN UNSIGNED OR LATE SCORE CARD WILL BE SUBJECT TO DISQUALIFICATION.

Protests: Any incident requiring immediate decision must be brought to the attention of a judge. All protests must be submitted in writing to the ASAA TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR within one hour of the conclusion of the round where the incident occurred. The Tournament Director and the ViVA leadership (Tournament Rules Committee) will convene approximately 1 hour after the last scoring end of each day to decide the outcome of each protest. All decisions of the Tournament Rules Committee will be final. No protests are allowed during shoot offs, judge's decisions are final.

Equipment Failure: In the event of equipment failure, step back from the shooting line and raise your bow above your head. A judge will come to your assistance. The archer will have 15 minutes' repair time without holding up the tournament. One practice end will be allowed. The archer shall be allowed to shoot any arrows missed during the 15 minutes. All make-up arrows will be shot at the end of the round. Equipment failure is not allowed during shoot offs, judge's decisions are final.

Dress Code: Archers shall present themselves in clean and neat attire, acceptable to public view. Blue Jeans or Denim are allowed. Archers may also wear uniforms provided by sponsors or their pro-shop team. Obscene or vulgar slogans or pictures on clothing are prohibited. Open toed shoes/flip flops/sandals are unacceptable while competing.

Alcohol, Drugs, Tobacco: ViVA and the PWSC campus are tobacco, alcohol and drug free. Tobacco may only be used in designated areas at the Valdez City Civic Center or in the public street. Anyone attending the ViVA event who is determined to be under the influence of either alcohol or drugs will be removed from the event premises and may be subject to arrest.

Smoking is Prohibited in the Shooting Halls. Smoking Allowed in Designated Areas Only. Please Obey all No Smoking Signs.

"TOP TEN" ViVA CASH SHOOT OFF: The archers with the top ten 2-day total cumulative scores will be eligible to participate in the shoot off for the ViVA Cash! The Top Ten ViVA CASH SHOOT OFF will be held Sunday, at the conclusion of score postings. The Top Ten ViVA CASH SHOOT OFF shoot time will be announced Sunday following the final line/round. If an archer is not present to shoot or declines to participate in the shoot off, then the next highest score will fill in until ten (10) archers are present. The shoot off will be a 3 -arrow/end sudden death shoot off (1st end counting the X as a 10, then for each subsequent end counting the X as 10 scored inside out- no practice ends). Shooting lanes will be determined by the lowest scoring archer first selecting a lane through the highest scoring archer. All range lanes will be available. Archers must shoot the same equipment they used during the ViVA tournament in which they received a qualifying top ten score. Equipment failure is not allowed during The Top Ten shoot off; judge's decisions are final. Winner takes all. 2018 Payout = \$1000.00 cash.