DWR Archery Open 2027 Rules and Tournament Format

1. Registration
    a. The DWR Archery Open will follow World Archery and the Lancaster Classic rules unless otherwise stated below.
    b. Registration fees $50.00 adults - $35.00 youth. No early/late registration. Price will remain the same until registration closes on January 4th.
    c. Open Championship registration fee: $100.00
    d. Practice: Practice passes are available to purchase at time of registration.
    e. Food and Drink: Concessions will be sold from Richmond Raceway
    f. Parking is free of charge
    g. Please arrive at the Richmond Raceway Exhibit Hall at least 30 minutes before your flight time
    h. Please review your registration information that has been sent to you in an email
    i. Questions about the DWR Archery Open can be sent to Ben.Fairbanks@dwr.virginia.gov

2. DWR Archery Open Divisions
    a. There are no prerequisites or memberships required to compete in the DWR Archery Open
    b. Divisions follow Lancaster Classic Rules & Equipment
    c. List of Divisions:
        i. Compound Female (50+)
        ii. Compound Male (50+)
        iii. Compound Male (All ages)
        iv. Compound Female (All ages)
        v. Bowhunter Male (All ages)
        vi. Bowhunter Female (All ages)
        vii. Barebow Male (All ages)
        viii. Barebow Female (All ages)
        ix. Recurve Male (All ages)
        x. Recurve Female (All ages)
        xi. Open Championship (All ages)
        xii. Compound Male Youth (11-17)
        xiii. Compound Female Youth (11-17)
        xiv. Barebow Male Youth (11-17)

xv. Barebow Female Youth (11-17)
xvi. Genesis – Universal Male (11-17)
xvii. Genesis – Universal Male (11-17)

d. Open Championship
    i. Open to all ages and genders (min 11 years old)
    ii. Registration fee: $100.00
    iii. Guaranteed payout:
        1. First place: $500.00
        2. Second place: $250.00
        3. Third place: $100.00
    iv. Once class has 10+ archers:
        1. Payout will be 50% of registration fees
        2. Distributed between top three archers
    v. Once class has 25+ archers:
        1. Payout increases to 75%
        2. Distributed between top three archers
e. Bowhunter
    i. Sights and Reference Points
        1. Archers are allowed a maximum of five fixed sight reference points. Points of attachment, such as those securing the reference points, do not count toward this limit. A vertical line extending from the top to the bottom of the pin guard is permissible. Devices such as sight reference points, string peeps (with or without lenses), and kisser buttons must remain unchanged throughout a round.
        2. The use of scopes, clickers, or draw checks is not allowed. A round or oval sight housing is acceptable as long as no lens is used. Additional pin guards are prohibited. Sight pins with hollow housings that lack a fixed reference point inside are not allowed.
    ii. Release Aids
        1. The use of release aids is permitted.
        2. Archers with physical disabilities affecting their arms or hands may substitute a chew strap in place of fingers or a mechanical release.
    iii. Pin Guards and Level
        1. A pin guard mounted to the sight and a level installed anywhere on the setup are allowed, provided they are free from

any additional marks or imperfections that could be used for aiming purposes.

iv. Bowstring Setup
    1. The bowstring may be constructed from appropriate materials and include center and end servings that may differ in color.
    2. Only one consistent nocking point is allowed. Nocking point locators must not extend more than half an inch above or below the arrow nock at full draw.
    3. Brush buttons and string silencers that are correctly attached are allowed.

v. Anchor Point
    1. Only a single, consistent anchor point is allowed during shooting.

vi. Arrow Uniformity
    1. All arrows used in competition must be uniform in size, length, weight, and fletching.
    2. Minor variations due to wear and tear are acceptable.

vii. Additional Equipment
    1. Brush buttons and string silencers are allowed as long as they are placed no closer than halfway between the nocking point and the point where the string contacts the cam or wheel.
    2. A bow-mounted quiver is acceptable if placed on the side opposite the sight window and does not obstruct or appear in the sight view.
    3. One straight stabilizer, including any coupler, may be used, with a maximum length of 12 inches measured from the rear of the bow. V-bars, counterbalances, and string dampeners are also permitted.

viii. Draw Weight
    1. Once a round has started, archers may not adjust the draw weight of their bow.

ix. Equipment Adjustments
    1. No modifications or adjustments to the bow or its accessories may be made during a round unless there is a verified equipment failure.

f. Genesis – Universal
    i. Only Genesis bows can be used.

ii. No sites
iii. No release aids.
iv. See NASP rules for more specifics.
v. Only individual shooters. No team registration.
vi. Age: 9-17
vii. Archers will compete at 15m on main range.
viii. Archers will shoot at a single spot 40 cm target face
ix. ONLY the Genesis bow and Easton XX75 aluminum arrows can be used.
x. The DWR Archery Open is not considered an official NASP tournament. All registration will be through the DWR Archery Open.

g. Genesis Pro (11-17)
    i. The Genesis, Genesis Pro, and Gen X are permitted in this class
    ii. Only individual shooters. No team registration.
    iii. Age: 11-17
    iv. Archers will compete at 15m on main range.
    v. Archers will shoot at a single spot 40 cm target face
    vi. The DWR Archery Open is not considered an official NASP tournament. All registration will be through the DWR Archery Open.
h. Youth Compound Division (11-17)
    i. Male and Female divisions
    ii. Only individual shooters. No team registration.
    iii. Archers will shoot on an 18m line with adult shooters
i. Olympic Recurve
    i. equipment rules will follow Lancaster Classic guidelines
j. Barebow (Male, Female, Adult, and youth)
    i. Archers in the Barebow divisions are permitted to shoot recurve and longbow. Rests and plungers are permitted as well as a front mounted weight. All Barebows containing legal accessories must fit through a 12.2cm ring.
    ii. Clickers, draw checks, stabilizers, serving ending or marks on bowstrings that are visible at full draw are not permitted
k. Age Defined Divisions:
    i. Senior– must be 50 years old by Friday, January 8th
    ii. Youth – must be at least 11 years old and must be no older than 17 by Friday, January 8th , 2027

3. Additional Rules

a. Registration costs will be refunded if the DWR Archery Open must be canceled due to unforeseen circumstances.
b. Headphones or any music listening devices are not permitted on the shooting line
c. Maximum arrow shaft diameter shall not exceed 0.422 inches (2712, 10.7mm) for all divisions.
d. Maximum draw weight for compound bows shall not exceed 80lbs.
e. Bow racks will NOT be provided for adult divisions. Adult archers will need to use their own bow stands.
f. Youth Genesis Division will have bow racks provided
g. Open compound divisions will not have a lens or electronic restrictions.

4. Tournament Format
    a. There will be 2 ends of 3 arrows of practice before scoring ends begin
    b. Scoring ends will be timed. Archers will have 2 minutes to shoot 3 arrows
    c. 60 arrows from 18m at a 40cm target face w/ inner X's scored as 11s. Maximum Possible score of 660
    d. All compound archers will shoot a 40cm 3-spot triangle target face
        i. Archers must number their spots in the order they are going to shoot
        ii. Only one arrow is permitted in each spot. If there is more than one arrow in one spot, you will lose your highest scoring arrow(s) in that spot.
    e. Recurve and barebow have the option of shooting a 3-spot triangle target face or a 40cm single spot full target face
    f. All archers are required to replace their target face after 5 ends; target faces may not be altered or repaired
    g. Archers will be assigned a target number and letter (A,B,C or D)
    h. Archers will switch shooting order and target placement after 10 ends. The top targets will move to the bottom and the top targets will move to the top (A moves to C and B moves to D).
    i. C and D positions will always shoot first.
    j. Arrows shot before the start whistle and after the stop whistle will result in the archer losing their highest scored arrow.
    k. Archers who shoot more than 3 arrows in an end, will lose their highest scored arrow.
    l. Archers who shoot the wrong target, that arrow will be counted as 0
    m. Arrows that travel past 3 meters from the shooting line will count as 0
    n. Each target will be assigned a tablet for scoring. We will have a paper score card as well.

o. Paper scorecards must be carefully reviewed and signed by each archer. Prize winning scores will be rechecked.
p. Arrow calls will be made by target mates as a group. If a decision cannot be agreed on, an official can be requested. Judges ruling is final.
q. Do not touch arrows or target faces until all scores have been recorded
r. Ties will be broken with the number of 11s, 10s, and so on until tie has been broken
s. Bounce outs or arrows that are interfered with by another archer will be reshot. Judges will make the ruling if the occurrence warrants reshooting the arrow.
t. Archer may miss up to 2 ends due to equipment failure. Arrows will be made up at the judge's discretion during the same qualification round.

5. Prizes and Payouts
    a. Prizes will be determined based on sponsorship and attendance.
    b. Awards will be distributed after the last flight of the day and all scores have been collected and verified.
    c. All prize winners may be subject to equipment inspection
6. Appeals
    a. All appeals should be brought to the attention of an official. The official's decision is final.
7. Code of Conduct and Disqualification
    a. All archers must agree to and abide by the DWR Archery Open Code of Conduct