

2016 Texas 4-H Indoor Archery Match

Madisonville Location: March 11-12

Archery World and Sporting Goods
5541 Interstate 45
Madisonville TX 77864

Registration via 4-H Connect: January 15-February 19

Fort Stockton Location: April 8-9

Pecos County Arena
12199 N. US Hwy 285
Fort Stockton, TX 79735

Registration via 4-H Connect: January 15-March 24

Bay City Location: March 11-12

Matagorda County Fair & Livestock Association
4511 FM 2668 (Nichols Road)
Bay City TX 77414
(3 ½ miles south of Highway 35 on FM 2668)

Registration via 4-H Connect: January 15-February 19

Graham Location: April 22-23

Young County Arena
120 Barclay Blvd
Graham TX 76450
(940) 521-0434

Registration via 4-H Connect: January 15-April 7

The Texas 4-H Indoor Archery Match is held in four separate locations to accommodate 4-H archers across the state. Archers may shoot at any location but must choose only one and will compete for placings among all archers in all locations. Scores from all locations will be combined upon the completion of the last match to determine overall results. Archers may choose from the flight times offered at each location and will indicate their choice on their registration. Each flight will allow a maximum number of archers (Bay City: 90 per flight; Graham: 80 per flight; Fort Stockton: 60 per flight; Madisonville: 40 per flight). The registration will control that limit on a first-come-first-served-basis with each flight becoming unavailable once the flight is full. **There will be no on-site registration or payment of any kind allowed at the events. Flights may not be added on-site, however withdrawals will be accepted.**

Flights: All flights are approximately 3 hours in length. Arrive promptly at check-in time prior to the appropriate flight to go through equipment check, mandatory orientation, and optional warm-up.

- BAY CITY ONLY: Thursday Evening, 5:30 p.m. check-in, 6:30 p.m. flight;
- Friday Evening, 5:30 p.m. check-in, 6:30 p.m. flight;
- Saturday Morning, 7 a.m. check-in, 8 a.m. flight;
- Saturday Afternoon, 12 noon check-in, 1 p.m. flight

Registration: Due to limited numbers of archers in each flight, it is recommended to register as soon as possible. Flights will close when the maximum limit of archers is reached on the registration process. Registration will be conducted by each individual shooter on 4-H Connect; (<https://texas.4honline.com>). **There will be no on-site registration or payment of any kind allowed at the events. Flights may NOT be added on-site, however withdrawals will be accepted.** Any actively enrolled 4-H member is eligible to participate (with county/club approval).

Registration Dates:

Madisonville and Bay City: January 13-February 19

Fort Stockton: January 13-March 24

Graham: January 13-April 7

Registration Fees: \$15 Registration + \$5 Target Fee* = \$20 Total Fee per Equipment Class Entry (maximum of three classes per individual, **participants may NOT repeat the same equipment class**)

*Target Fee: this fee will be collected for the specific purpose of aiding in covering the costs of maintenance, repair, and replacement of the large number of target backs necessary to hold this event. Target Fees collected will only be used for this purpose.

Age Divisions: New for 2015-2016 4-H Year

1. Age Requirements

Youth may participate in 4-H year from September 1st of grade three through August 31st following completion of grade twelve, with these age restrictions:

- Minimum age - 8 (in addition to being in the 3rd grade)
- Maximum age - 18 (as of August 31, 2015)
- Special education youth who are older than 19 and have not graduated from high school may participate in 4-H Youth Development programs as members, with approval by the county Extension agent. Participation is limited to the club or county level. County Extension staff have the option, on a case-by-case basis, to allow Special Education youth older than 19 to participate in competitive events at the club or county level.

2. Texas 4-H Member Categories

- **Junior:** Grades 3, 4, and 5
- **Intermediate:** Grades 6, 7, and 8
- **Senior:** Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12
 - **Shooting Sports**
 - **Senior 1:** Grades 9 and 10
 - **Senior 2:** Grades 11 and 12

- ❖ Each age division will have a 'First Year' class open to anyone within the division that is new to archery (in their first year) and a first time shooter in this event. The 'First Year' class is for entry level archers. Entry in the 'First Year' class is optional. If this option is taken, the archer will be classified as a 'First Year' archer for every equipment class in which they register.

Course of Fire: The match consists of standard FITA (Federation of International Target Archery) targets (9 meter or 18 meter indoor rounds).



The 9 meter course will be set up for the Junior 'First Year' class only and will consist of 10 ends of 3 arrows each (30 arrows total; 300 points possible).

The 18 meter course will be set up for all age divisions Junior through Sr. 2 and 'First Year' classes within Intermediate, Sr. 1, and Sr. 2 and will consist of 20 ends of 3 arrows each (60 arrows total; 600 points possible). There will be a brief break between the 10th and 11th ends.

Targets: Recurve archers will compete on the 60 cm FITA face and compound archers will compete on the 40 cm FITA face. The use of 3 Spot targets is the option of the shooter and must be declared with enough time to provide the appropriate target on the range.

Equipment Classes: Barebow, Recurve, Compound Aided, Compound Unaided, and NASP (National Archery in Schools Program). Archers may register in up to three equipment classes if they so choose.

- Bare Bow (longbow or recurve) – Bows may not be equipped with sights or sighting marks. Mechanical release aids are not permitted.
- Recurve – Bows may be equipped with a single sighting device, single pin, multiple pin, or hunting style sights; may not be equipped with string peeps or string marks for rear sights. Mechanical release aids are not permitted.
- Compound Aided – Bows may be equipped with magnified sights and stabilizers. Mechanical release aids are permitted.
- Compound Unaided – Bows may not be equipped with magnified sights or stabilizers. Bows may be equipped with single pin or multiple pin sights. Mechanical release aids are not permitted.
- NASP – Genesis bows with no sights or sighting marks and no stabilizers. Mechanical release aids are not permitted. Shooters must follow 4-H age divisions and match rules. This class is utilizing NASP equipment only.

It is strongly recommended that archers choosing to enter more than one equipment class shoot them on separate days if possible.

Scoring: Targets are to be scored by the shooters on a target with assistance from the range officials if necessary. Scores and totals should be verified by each shooter before arrows are touched or removed from the target. Any question of scoring should be resolved before any arrow is touched or removed from the target.

Awards: The results from each location will be compiled into one awards posting which will be posted on the Texas 4-H Natural Resources Program blog (<http://tx4hnaturalresources.blogspot.com>), Facebook (<http://www.facebook.com/tx4hnaturalresources>), and webpage (<http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/shootingsports/events>). Awards will be given for 1st through 3rd in each age division, including 'First Year', in each equipment class. Results may not be available for any flight or event until the Match is complete and scores are compiled. Results will only be available via online postings.

Adult Representation: All shooters at this event must be accompanied by an adult who is responsible for the 4-H shooter. The responsible adult must be present during the time the 4-H shooter is actively shooting.

Dress Code: All shooters must wear closed toed shoes and shirts must have sleeves. All other standard 4-H Dress Code rules apply.

Match Shirts: On-site shirt sales only! Lonestar Event Apparel will be offering Indoor Archery Match shirts and other items in a variety of customizable styles and colors for purchase on-site. No pre-orders.

To subscribe to receive Indoor Archery Match updates and reminders via text message, text the subscription code: @indoorarch to 81010.

Visit the blog, <http://tx4hnaturalresources.blogspot.com>, to learn how to subscribe to general updates and/or other event updates.

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