

## **United States Archery Team - FAQ**

### **1. What are the USA Archery Membership and Citizenship requirements to obtain a national ranking?**

The National Ranking System (NRS) is provided for USA Archery members in good standing who are U.S. Citizens or those who have the written permission of, and are no longer competing for, the Member Association of the country from which they have a valid passport to earn NRS Ranking. The same criteria apply for any archer to qualify for a United States Archery Team (USAT).

### **2. What are the USA Archery Membership and Citizenship requirements regarding international event eligibility?**

Regarding international event eligibility, U.S. Citizens are eligible to compete for the U.S. at World Cup and World Championship competitions. If an athlete is not a U.S. Citizen they must have met the following World Archery requirements to compete for the United States; a) obtained the written permission of the Member Association of the country from which he/she has a valid passport, b) resided in the U.S. for at least one year before the date of the competition and c) not have represented any other Member Association as a National Team Member for at least one year before the start date of the competition.

### **3. Who is eligible to compete at United States Archery Team (USAT) series events?**

Any USA Archery member in good standing is eligible to compete at USAT series events, including international archers.

### **4. Who is eligible to compete at the U.S. National Target Championships, U.S. Open and JOAD National Championships?**

Any USA Archery member in good standing who is a U.S. Citizen is eligible to compete in the National Target Championships and U.S. Open. Additionally, if an athlete is not a U.S. Citizen but has the written permission of, and will no longer be competing for, the Member Association of the country from which they have a valid passport they will also be allowed to shoot for a national title.

Athletes affiliated with other World Archery Member associations, or those who do not meet the above criteria, will be allowed to participate in a Guest Division for the Qualification rounds. Guest divisions will be offered to Masters (combined, not broken out) and Senior divisions. Guests will be allowed to compete in the U.S. Open Elimination Rounds. Qualification scores from the National Target Championships and the Qualification Rounds for the Guest divisions will be merged together to determine the seeding for the U.S. Open Elimination Rounds.

The same rules will apply for JOAD Nationals Qualification Rounds, and guest divisions will be offered to Junior, Cadet, Cub and Bowman age categories. Guests will also be eligible to participate in the Team Round. Guests will not be eligible to participate in the Elimination Rounds at JOAD Nationals.

## FAQ on National Ranking System and USAT Rankings

### 5. What if I notice an error in my National Ranking?

You have 60 days after the completion of the event to notify USA Archery at [events@usarchery.org](mailto:events@usarchery.org) if you notice an error. After 60 days, all results and rankings for an event are final.

### 6. How do Cadet and Junior USAT Rankings work?

Cadet and Junior USAT Rankings will include the average placement of each athlete's finish in the qualification round and the elimination round (if an elimination round is offered). If a USAT Qualifier Series Event does not have an elimination round, the final placement in the qualification round will be used. Archers who compete at the JOAD National Target Championships will be ranked only on their qualification round placement.

### 7. How are final placements for the elimination round determined for archers when archers who are ineligible for national ranking are competing?

We realize that in some cases a USA Archery member may lose to an athlete from another country or non-eligible athlete and that this can affect the final NRS/USAT placements. An ineligible athlete's score will be removed from the final standings for ranking purposes.

Final placements for ranking purposes are based on USA Archery membership and eligibility not nationality. If a non-eligible athlete competes in a division, that archer's placement is removed for ranking purposes. Here are some examples of how this is applied:

#### Qualification Round

Only eligible USA Archery members' placements are used and are re-ranked after all non-eligible athletes are removed.

#### Elimination Round

Again, only eligible USA Archery members are ranked and all non-eligible athletes' placements are removed. For USAT Rankings, athletes that do not advance in the 1/8th round will be tied for 9th, athletes that do not advance in the 1/16th round will be tied for 17th, and so on. For Senior NRS rankings in elimination rounds, please see the [NRS 101 document](#) and [Para NRS 101 document](#).

#### Non-Eligible Athletes that finish in the top 8 of the Elimination Round

For example, if there is a non-eligible athlete that finished 7th in the elimination rounds, the athlete that originally finished 8th will now be 7th. The athletes that do not advance in the 1/8 round and were originally tied for 9th will now be 8th. The athletes that do not advance in the 1/16 round and were originally tied for 17th will now be 16th.

#### Non-Eligible Athletes finishes tied for 9<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 33<sup>rd</sup> and so on in the Elimination Round

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This example pertains to athletes that do not advance during the 1/8, 1/16, 1/32, rounds, etc. For example, two non-eligible athletes do not advance in the 1/8 round and finish tied at 9th in the elimination rounds along with six USA Archery Members. In this case, the six USA Archery members will continue to be ranked 9th; however, the sixteen archers that were originally tied for 17th, will now be tied for 15th since only six of the eight archers who tied for 9th position are eligible for ranking points.

Another example:

### ARIZONA CUP - CADET DIVISION

Elimination Round Place	Name	USAA Membership number	Qualification Round Score	Qualification Round Place	ELIMINATION ROUND RANKING ADJUSTMENTS			RANKING ROUND ADJUSTMENTS		Final NRS Points for EVENT
					ER Place	ER ADJUSTMENT	Adjusted ER Final Ranking	RANK WITH NON USAA REMOVED	RE-RANKED ONLY USAA RANKING ROUND	50% QR plus 50% ER
1	archer name	Italy	624	11	1					
2	archer name	40149	578	28	2	2	1	28	24	12.50
3	archer name	Mexico	624	10	3					
4	archer name	123456	647	1	4	4	2	1	1	1.50
5	archer name	23435	637	4	5	5	3	4	4	3.50
6	archer name	34356	645	2	6	6	4	2	2	3.00
7	archer name	35353	642	3	7	7	5	3	3	4.00
8	archer name	353900	535	40	8	8	6	40	36	21.00
9	archer name	France	628	9	9					
9	archer name	23414	619	14	9	9	7	14	10	8.50
9	archer name	310105	620	13	9	9	7	13	9	8.00
9	archer name	30013	611	18	9	9	7	18	14	10.50
9	archer name	414343	602	21	9	9	7	21	17	12.00
9	archer name	Italy	632	6	9					
9	archer name	96153	630	7	9	9	7	7	6	6.50
9	archer name	72749	614	16	9	9	7	16	12	9.50
17	archer name	56589	613	17	17	17	13	17	13	13.00
17	archer name	53020	600	22	17	17	13	22	18	15.50
17	archer name	67890	636	5	17	17	13	5	5	9.00
17	archer name	90101	584	26	17	17	13	26	22	17.50

Please visit [here](#) to review USAT Selection Procedures.