



Dear Re-curve and Compound Archery Coaches:

We would like to take this time and welcome you to the 2018 Virginia 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Championship. A lot of time and effort is being put into making this a memorable experience for you, the competitors and parents. Please keep in mind that this is our first annual Virginia 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Championship and there will be lessons learned for both the staff and competitors that we can take away and make better for future events.

- During the matches, please offer words of encouragement, save the coaching of form and equipment changes for practice rounds. We have our plates full making sure that the matches are conducted safely and fairly, and don't want to have to spend our time watching coaches or parents. You have done your job getting the competitors to this point, and now it is time for them to shine. Please set the example of sportsmanship.
- Competitors are the only ones that can bring concerns to the Range Officers during the matches. We will entertain a concern from a coach if it pertains to an immediate safety issue or blatant breach in rules or conduct by competitors, coaches, parents, or spectators.
- When grouped up in the matches, should the competitors decide to use and share equipment, (umbrellas, spotting scopes, etc.) this is fine if they all agree, are all able to use it, and it does not interfere with other competitors. We are not really concerned on who carries it if agreed upon by the competitors.
- Please talk to your parents that are attending, we like talking with them but we will not entertain complaints from them, please have them contact you with their concerns. You can contact one of us.
- Please talk to your competitors, I understand ribbing each other in a group but keep the language clean and do not degrade each other. Please remember that 4-H is a youth development program, and everyone has signed the 4-H Code of Conduct.
- Bringing extra bows and equipment is encouraged. Please make sure that you check in any extra bows and equipment at check-in. That way, in case of a breakdown, we can get the archer back to the competition quickly and not have to take the time to go over the replacement and make sure it meets all the rules.
- No practice allowed on competition ranges except for scheduled event practices with official range officers present!!

We hope you have a great time, thank you for your cooperation and patience while we work our way through our first annual Virginia 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Championship. We have enclosed a bunch of information for you to review. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us, or talk to us at the tournament. Have safe travels, and we look forward to seeing you all in Grand Island!