

# What is the Alberta 4-H Mailmatch?

Indoor Mailmatch is a Provincial Competition shot in the comfort of your own club! Due to the vast geography of our province it can be difficult to attend a Provincial archery competition, but the desire to see where you stand against other 4-H'ers is still there. Mailmatch allows for this to happen without having to travel further than your local club. Each month an archer can submit one score and the highest of the four scores shot throughout the designated time period will be used to determine your final placing.

Each scoring month runs from the first to the last day of each month.

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#### Who can participate?

Any 4-H member registered in the archery project for the 2022/23 4-H year can participate. Below are some of the benefits to participating in the mailmatch competition:

- Convenient, compete in a Provincial Competition, without travelling farther than your home club
- E-mailed Results
- The opportunity to grow your archery skills and competition experience.

#### How can I register?

MEMBERS will register through the 4-H online system and let your club/archery leader know as well! Your archery leader should act as the local mailmatch coordinator. This person will collect and update the scores for all members at your club. You can register anytime before January 10th.

LEADERS: To register your club for the Mailmatch, please contact the 4-H Alberta Mailmatch Coordinator at <u>4hleaderjody@gmail.com</u>. This is also done to verify that all the members you expect to register have registered.

#### Are there any costs or deadlines?

It only costs \$15.00 per archer to participate. Members will register themselves through the online 4-H registration system by January 10th. Clubs or archers registered after this date, will be asked to pay a \$25.00 late fee on top of the archer's registration fee. The latest an archer may register is January 15<sup>th</sup>.

### What are the rules?

Individual Archers:

- 1. Each member can submit (1) score per month (January, February, March, April 18<sup>th</sup>) for this event.
- 2. Scorecards need to be signed by the archery leader or another registered leader who was in attendance during the scored match.
- 3. Scorecards need to be provided to your club's archery leader coordinator to upload
- Payment will be submitted when registering the members along with the first score submission.
- 5. To contend for prizes, each member must submit a minimum of (2) scores
- 6. The organizer reserves the right to move a member into a different distance based on the scores that they have shot as noted in the
- 7. Participants must be Alberta 4-H members in good standing

#### How is the event scored?

Both individual and team scores will be from a Canadian 300 Round, shooting 30 Arrows. A Canadian 300 Round is using a full face 40 cm target or a triple face 40 cm. Examples of the target faces in the links below.

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#### Are there awards for performing well in the Mailmatch?

Results will be e-mailed to the archery leaders each month throughout the competition.

Awards for top scores in each category and other prizes as determined by the committee will be awarded based on the participation.

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Hi-point 10m Hi-point 15m Hi-point 18m

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Other categories may be created if there are enough entries (ie, Genesis category).

#### Where can I see scores?

Each scoring month runs from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the last day of the month (except in April where the end of the month will be the 18<sup>th</sup> to be able to get results to clubs who have their Achievement Day at the end of April). Scores are updated as they are received by the 4-H Alberta Mailmatch Coordinator.

# **Coordinator Information**

### Who can participate in Mailmatch?

Any archery project members registered with a 4-H Alberta affiliated club can participate in mailmatch.

#### How do we register our club's archers?

Members will need to register through the online registration system and notify their club leader. The club leader/coordinator will need to contact the 4-H Alberta Mailmatch coordinators at 4hleaderjody@gmail.com to inform them how many members are participating from your club (this helps to make sure all registrations have been completed). From there, you will be provided with all the items you will need to report the names of the archers and the sheets to upload the scores, as you receive them.

#### When do I need to have all scores submitted by?

Each Scoring month runs from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the last day of the month. Scores must be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month except in April. First month scores can be submitted: January Final Date for Notification of Participation with no late fee: January 10th Final Date to submit Scores: April 18th Scores to be finalized and posted week of April 20th

## **Frequently Asked Questions:**

Do archers need to be a member of the Archery Project to participate?

All participants, must be registered in the Archery Project with 4-H Alberta in the year of the competition.

What if an archer misses submitting a score one month?

The final score used is the highest of the archer's (4) submitted scores. An archer must submit at least two scores during the competition.

If an archer shoots multiple times in a month, do they simply submit their best score?

The club should arrange it so all participants are shooting for mailmatch at the same time. If a club is able to shoot more than once per month, the best score can be submitted.

How is Mailmatch Officiated?

Score cards should be *double scored*, and/or witnessed by another 4-H mailmatch participant or 4-H leader. This needs to be verified by the Club coordinator upon collection of the scores/scorecards. The mailmatch shoot will either need to be supervised by the archery or general leader. Archers cannot shoot a score without a leader or other members present.

How do we submit the scores?

Once you notify the 4-H Alberta Mailmatch coordinator of participation, they will send you all the items you will need for your archers and their scores.

Can archers participate in more than one category?

Archers can shoot in both equipment categories if they have the required equipment, but they will be required to pay the \$10.00 registration fee per category they register. We have created a 10m category for beginner archers and based on the Can-bow youth shooting program we will move an archer who consistently shoots over 140 scores in 10m up to the 15m category and an archer who scores over 200 in the 15m will be moved up to the 18m category. We do not know our participation rates for this year so have chosen not to use age groups for the competition. We are also aware that members under 12 can shoot 60cm targets, but to make it simple for clubs we are using 40cm targets for all members.