

KY NASP® NEWSLETTER

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On Target for a Successful Archery Season

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2027 KY State and National NASP® Rules Posted

The state and national Bullseye and NASP® 3D rules have been finalized and posted! As always, changes to the national rules are highlighted in yellow. The state rules document, which applies to all KY NASP® tournaments—including local competitions, state qualifiers, and the state tournament—highlights Kentucky-specific rules in blue.

Coaches and archers are expected to know and follow all applicable rules. Why risk a possible disqualification? Coaches should review these documents with their archers and make sure they understand the rules before tournament day.

Questions About the Rules? If you have questions, contact your Regional Coordinator for clarification. Regional Coordinators are knowledgeable about the rules and are always happy to help. They would much rather discuss a rule before a violation occurs than try to resolve the problems it creates—especially during a tournament.

If a violation involving safety occurs at a tournament, notify the tournament host immediately. For tournament-rule concerns, speak with the appropriate tournament official, which may be a Lane Official, Range Manager, or the tournament host. A copy of the rules should always be available at the tournament, but keeping your own copy handy is also a good idea. Concerns that cannot be resolved at the tournament should be directed to the host school's administration. If you still have questions or need further clarification, contact your Regional or State Coordinator.

rules



2026-27
National and KY State
Rules are now posted!

www.naspschools.org
www.fw.ky.gov/nasp

3d rules



2026-27
National and KY State
Rules posted soon!

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KENTUCKY RULE: Coaches/Archers/Parents are responsible for following and understanding the rules.



Hosting State Qualifiers

Teams and individuals are ranked throughout the season based on their highest state qualifying score. Their ranking determines their registration tier—the specific date and time when they may register for the state tournament. The higher the team's or individual's best qualifying score, the higher the tier and the greater the likelihood of securing a preferred flight time.

Teams and individuals must participate in at least one State Qualifying Tournament to be eligible for the state tournament. However, participation at the state tournament is limited by available space and is not guaranteed.

While all NASP® tournaments must meet established safety and range requirements, State Qualifying Tournaments must meet additional criteria and receive approval from the State Coordinator by December 1. Interested in hosting an SQ tournament? Download one of the following documents at fw.ky.gov/nasp:

[Official Criteria for Hosting a KY NASP® State Qualifying Tournament](#)

[Official Criteria for Hosting a KY NASP® 3D State Qualifying Tournament](#)

Each document outlines the requirements and includes the application form that must be submitted.

Free BAI Certification for Certified PE Teachers

To show our appreciation for certified physical education teachers who wish to implement NASP®, KY NASP® will cover the cost of Basic Archery Instructor (BAI) training. Certified PE teachers can visit www.naspbai.org, select "View Class Schedule," and choose Kentucky from the drop-down menu to view upcoming BAI classes. After registering, the teacher should bring a letter from the school principal confirming that they will implement the NASP® curriculum during the school day at some point during the school year. After-school coaches should check with their school administration to ensure that the school's current certified PE teacher has completed BAI training.

2027 State and National Schedule

The 2027 state and national tournament schedule has been finalized! We understand that planning an archery schedule can be challenging. Decisions about when to begin practice may depend on several factors, including facility availability, other school sports and activities, and the importance of preventing archer burnout. Finding the right timeline takes careful planning, so we want to provide as much information as possible to help coaches prepare for a successful season.

See schedule here 

Qualifying for KY State Tournament

All teams and individuals wishing for a chance to advance to the KyNASP® State Championship Tournament on April 2-3, 2027 must compete in at least one state qualifying tournament. Teams and individuals will be ranked during this time based on their best state qualifying score.

Team and individual qualifying scores and registration information may be found in the KY NASP® Participation and Qualification Documents:

[2026-27 KyNASP® Bullseye Participation and Qualification Document](#)

[2026-27 KyNASP® 3D Participation and Qualification Document](#)



Registration for the state bullseye and 3D tournaments will be handled through the nasptournaments.org website. Participation is not guaranteed. Flight positions are limited as the size of the state tournament is based on a fixed number of participants).

National NASP® team and individual qualifying scores and registration information may be found in the National NASP® Participation and Qualification Documents:

[2026-27 NASP® Bullseye Participation and Qualification Document](#)

[2026-27 NASP® 3D Participation and Qualification Document](#)

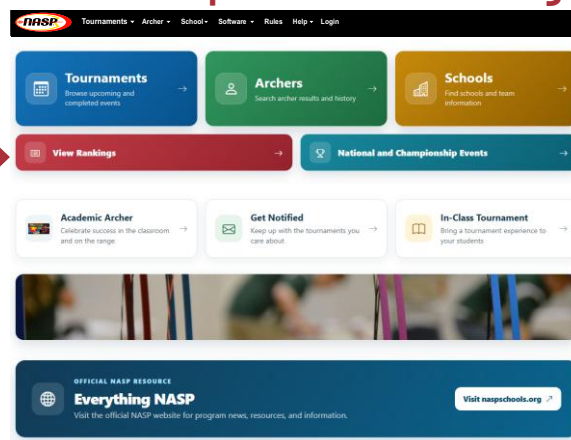


Locating Rankings Online

Click here for team & individual rankings



www.nasptournaments.org



- ⇒ Tournament Information
- ⇒ Archer Activity and Scores
- ⇒ Team Activity and Scores
- ⇒ Team & Individual Rankings

Stay in the know
**Download the
NASP® Portal
App**

Tournaments

KY STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Bullseye and 3D

Ky Expo Center - Louisville, KY

April 2-3, 2027

EASTERN NATL TOURNAMENT

Bullseye and 3D

Ky Expo Center - Louisville, KY

May 6 - 8, 2027

CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENT

Bullseye and 3D

Ocean Center Convention Center

Daytona, FL

June 17 - 19, 2027



**National, Open
& Championship
Bullseye
Document**

**National, Open
& Championship
3D Challenge
Document**



REGISTER FOR A TOURNAMENT

Links

NASP® Website



Equipment

BAI Manager

BAI Classes

Lane Official & Safety Review

Bullseye & 3D Scoring Videos



KY NASP® Website

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Start a NASP® Program

Hosting a State Qualifier

Student Waiver

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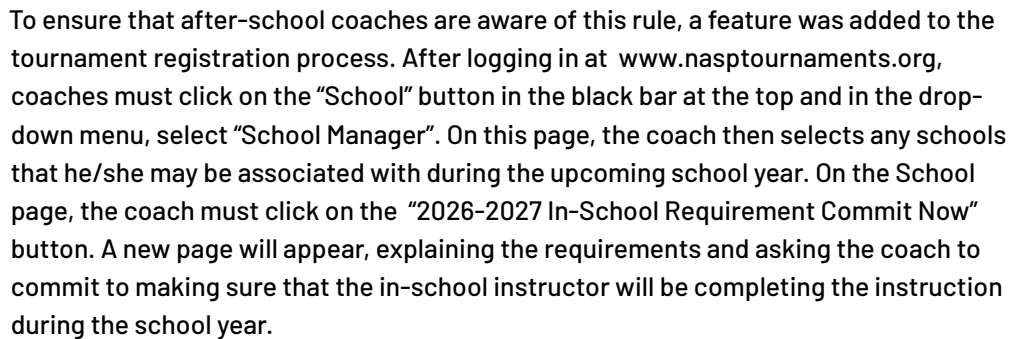
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While approximately 150,000 Kentucky students participate in archery during school, 16,000 of those archers compete in after-school tournaments. KY NASP® would love to see every school and every eligible student given an opportunity to be introduced to the lifelong sport of archery. To assist in this goal, NASP® has guidelines for the in-school curriculum that must be followed in order for any archers from a school to compete in NASP® tournaments.

- NASP® lessons must be conducted by a certified BAI (preferably the PE teacher) as part of the in-school curriculum (preferably in PE class), a minimum of 10 hours per school year.
- Classroom lessons must include at least the following subject material:
 - Determine Eye Dominance
 - String Bow® used to teach Eleven Steps to Archery Success®
 - Safety Orientation and shooting of bows and arrows on a NASP® range

- A school may implement the 10 hours of in-school instruction at any point during the school year as long as it is completed by July 1.



If a school attempts to register for any competitions before making this commitment, an error message and a link to the "Commitment Page" will appear. At the end of the year, if any archers from the school have competed and the in-school lessons were not taught, the coach will lose his/her BAI certification and the school will be marked ineligible to compete the following year. Coordinator to meet specific requirements to be r

Coaches must collect waivers from each archer that competes during the '26 -'27 season in KY NASP® bullseye or 3D tournaments. The waivers must be signed by the parent/guardian and contain the archer's name, address, and the name of the school where the archer is enrolled. The waivers should be collected and held by the coach throughout the season and have them accessible at each tournament. The same waiver may be used for SQ, State, and National level tournaments. The form may be found online at www.fw.ky.gov/nasp.

Will at least 10 hours of NASP® lessons be taught at this school, in class, during the official school day, as part of the class curriculum for that class by a certified NASP® instructor?

2. Will these lessons include:

1. Teaching Eye Dominance
2. Teaching Making a String Bow
3. Teaching the 11 Steps to Archery Success
4. Teaching the students to shoot the Genesis bows

3. Will the lessons be taught in the school's Physical Education classes?

4. Please identify the NASP® certified BAI (Instructor) that will be leading these lessons.

5. Is the BAI selected above the official teacher assigned to this class (not just for the archery lessons)?

6. What is the name and email address of the school's Principal? (If this is a homeschool and you do not have a Principal (lead), please use your name and email address).

Name

Email

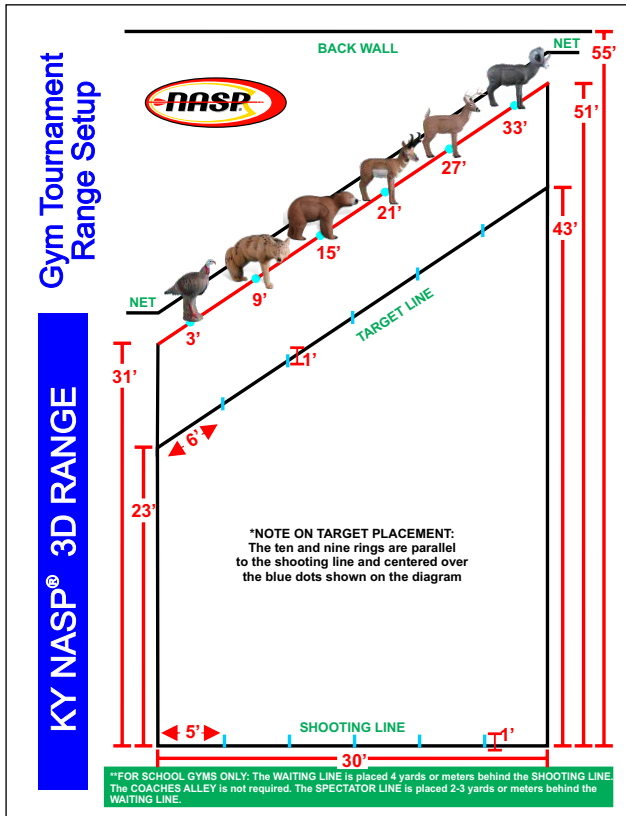
Please make sure that both the classroom teacher and school administrator are aware of this requirement and can answer these questions when/if asked.

Please note that falsifying any information on this report will result in the permanent loss of your NASP® certification.

☐ I certify that the above information above is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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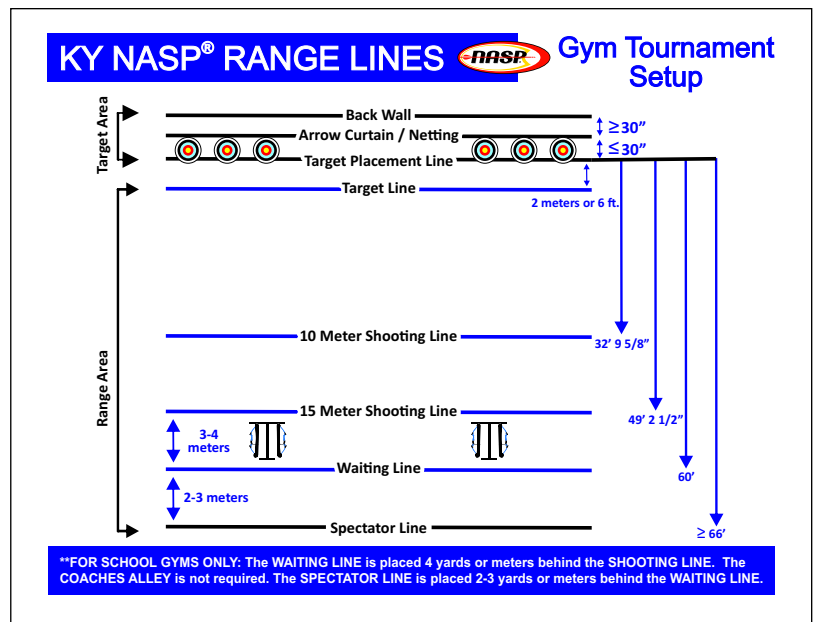
KY NASP® Range Lines for a Gym Setup



We know that a school gym isn't as spacious as the facility used for the state tournament and many schools are unable to host a tournament using the official range lines. With safety being the ultimate priority, we've modified the lines to come up with a solution used only in gyms too small for the full setup.

The WAITING LINE is placed 4 yards or meters behind the SHOOTING LINE.

The COACHES ALLEY will not be required and the SPECTATOR LINE is placed 2-3 yards or meters behind the WAITING LINE.



Tournament Setup layouts for gym ranges are available for download at www.fw.ky.gov/nasp

Stay Connected with KY NASP® Follow Us on Facebook!

The KY NASP® Facebook page is a valuable resource for coaches, parents, and archers. Share the page with your team so everyone can stay informed about rules, tournaments, program news, and featured teams and archers. We also love seeing posts about teams participating in community service projects, school activities, and special events. Our archers and coaches are doing amazing things, and we're proud to help celebrate and share their accomplishments!



NASP® Lane Official Training



Click here
to view now



This video is a valuable resource not only for use at tournaments, but also for coaches, parents, and archers. We encourage you to watch it, share it with your team, and use it to help everyone prepare for a successful tournament experience!

KY requirement: All range workers and announcers are required to watch the Lane Official Training video at www.fw.ky.gov/nasp and Scoring Protocol video at <https://www.naspschools.org/resources/learning-center>.



New NASP® Bullseye Resources Available!

NASP® Bullseye Range Calculator

Need help figuring out the number of targets, bow racks, and quivers for your next tournament? Simply enter the number of targets and flights planned and the calculator will do the work for you! This online tool can help ensure that you have everything you need for your event to run as smooth as possible!

Bullseye Target Zone Cards

The cards give archers a visual reference for recording aiming points at 10 and 15 meters. Archers simply mark their aiming locations on the cards and use them as a personal reference during practice or competition. Because aiming points may change as archers grow, be sure to review and update the cards as needed.

NASP® Bullseye Scoring Video

This video reviews the proper scoring process, including calling arrows, bubbling scores, verifying each end, and finalizing the scorecard. Share the video with archers and parents and incorporate it into practices.

Tournament Setup and Teardown Equipment Checklist

A checklist of the equipment and materials needed to prepare and operate a NASP® Bullseye tournament will certainly come in handy! Use the checklist while planning, ordering supplies, and completing final inventory.



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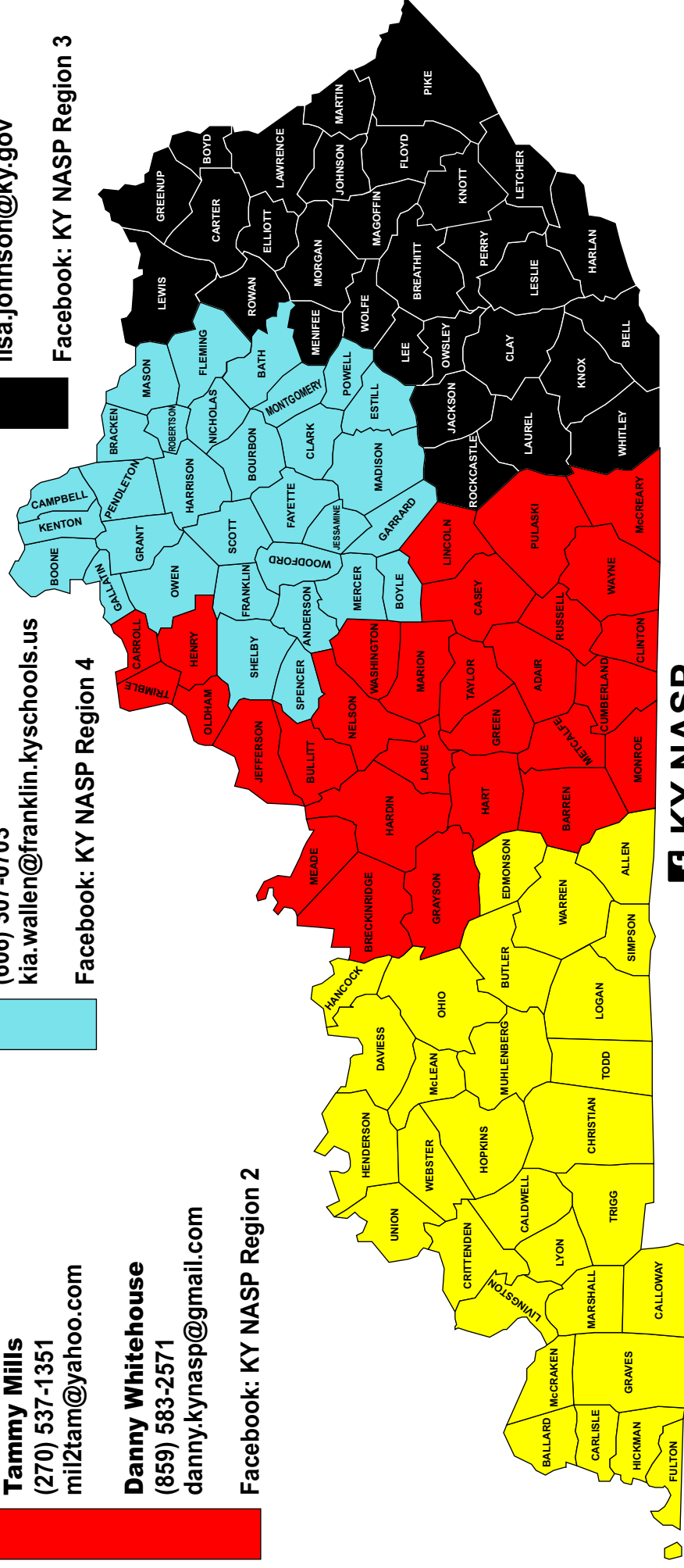
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National website - www.naspschools.org