

2025 Midwest Open Archery Indoor Archery Tournament

Trial Traditional Division:

By request we are adding a Traditional Division to the Midwest Open Archery Tournament for 2025. This is a trial class. With 5 archers, they will compete in their own division. If less than that, they will be combined with the Barebow Recurve competitors. Our traditional equipment class rules are a unique combination of several archery organizations – if changes need made, we will accept input for future year events.

Key differentiation from Barebow Recurve –

A wood bow, wood arrows, non-adjustable rest and no string walking.

Bow Type & Characteristics

- **Type:** A non-shoot through recurve or longbow that fits through a 12.2 cm diameter ring when unstrung.
- **Material:** Can be one-piece or take-down, but the riser must be made primarily of wood.

Permitted Equipment

- **Arrow Rest:** A non-adjustable rest, stick on and fur are allowed.
- **Finger Protection:** Tabs, gloves, or tape for fingers are permitted.
- **Accessories:** String silencers and brush buttons are allowed.
- **Arrows:** wooden or natural material arrows ONLY. For all other arrow restrictions, including size, refer to official rules document.

Prohibited Equipment & Other Rules

- **Sights, Mechanical Releases, Level, Plungers, Stabilizers, Post-Construction Weights:** are not allowed
- **Marks:** No custom marks or blemishes are allowed on the bow's face, release tab, or sight window.
- **String:** A single serving of uniform color is permitted on the string.
- **String Walking is not Permitted:** When shooting, the index finger or middle finger must be within 3 mm of the nock or touch the nock (split finger or 3 fingers under). When shooting split finger, a finger separator between the fingers to prevent pinching may be used. A single anchor or face walking is permitted.