2027 ABFAA State Champion Buckle Program

- No buy-in to participate. Just register and compete in a minimum of 5 ABFAA tournaments in 2027.
- Championship Buckles will be awarded to overall 1st place winners of each division, age group, and gender. 2nd and 3rd place awards chosen by ABFAA will be awarded for each age division, age group and gender.
- You compete against your peers. We will not combine divisions, age groups or genders.
- Must be a current NFAA member in good standing with Arizona residence to be eligible for the State Champion Buckle Program.

Rules:

- Archers must compete in 5 ABFAA State tournaments in the same shooting style and age group to qualify.
- Competition in more than one age group and shooting style division is allowed.
- Competitors may only compete in one age group and division per tournament. The exception is any State tournament that offers multiple shooting times.
- A competitor can qualify in multiple divisions and will qualify for awards in each division, as long as they compete in a minimum five tournaments in each division they competed in.
- If an archer moves up an age group due to a birthday during the year, the archer must ensure they can compete in 5 tournaments in one age group to qualify for year-end buckle standings. For example, an archer turns 12 on October 31st and has competed in 4 tournaments, then the archer competes in two more tournaments in the next higher age group, they will not be eligible for year-end awards because they did not compete in 5 tournaments in either age group.
- Any archer has the option to compete as an Adult. Senior can compete as an Adult. Silver Senior can compete as a Senior or Adult. Master Senior has the option to compete as Silver Senior, Senior or Adult. Youth classes may jump up in age class, but not down.
- The archer's points will be applied to each division and age group they competed in. If an archer competes in 5 tournaments in one age group and 5 tournaments in another, they will qualify for awards in both.

All age groups and genders will be offered for each shooting style.
Shooting Styles: Freestyle, Bowhunter Freestyle, Modern Bowhunter, Barebow Compound, Freestyle Limited Recurve, Barebow Recurve, Pro Freestyle (must possess valid NFAA Pro Card), Longbow, Traditional.
Age Groups: Cub 11 & under, Youth, 12-14, Young Adult, 15-17, Adult 18-49, Senior 50 -59, Silver Senior, 60-69, Master Senior 70+
Gender: Male, Female.

Qualifying Tournaments are listed below. (This is a tentative list and may change as the 2027 schedule is confirmed and set). A minimum of 7 tournaments will be offered.

- State Indoor 5-Spot
- State Indoor 3-Spot
- State Rushmore Rumble 5-Spot
- State Classic
- State International
- State Break the Barriers Trail Shoot 2 Arrow 3D
- State 900

- State Field
- State Redding Style Marked 3D
- State Animal

• Points are awarded based on finishing position in the tournament. For example, 1 place is 1 point, 2nd place 2 points, 3rd place is 3 points, etc.
• Archers with the lowest total number of points at the end of the year will be awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.
• Best 5 tournament results per archer are used to calculate winners.
• 1st place will receive a buckle, 2nd and 3rd place will receive another ward. Podium finishers will be recognized after completion of last tournament of 2027.

- Tie Breakers for the end of year buckle will be determined by Total Xs earned. The tournaments used to determine total x count will be the tournaments attended by the archers involved in the tie breaker. If the tie can't be broken by X count, the archers will be awarded duplicate buckles for the place.
- Tie Breakers for tournaments will be:
  - Total X count, where applicable
  - Field and hunter and International: Total X, then total 5, then total 4.
  - Animal Round: Total 21, then total 20, then total 18
  - Marked Redding Style: Total 11s, then total 10s
- If tournament ties cannot be broken as above, and if the tournament has one shooting time, ties will be broken by a 1-arrow shoot off at the maximum distance used for the tournament (or the maximum distance available at the practice range, whichever is shorter), at the discretion of the tournament organizers. If there are multiple shooting times for the tournament, the tournament will end in a tie.

- Rules may be modified, and tournaments may be dropped from or added to the schedule due to unforeseen circumstances.

Example of point allocation for final ranking

	Example		Tournament									
Final Overall Rank	Freestyle Adult Men	5 Spot	Classic	Trail Shoot	5 Spot	International	Indoor Sectional	900	Field	Total	Dropped score	Total
1	Archer A	2	3	5	1	2	1	4	1	19	12	7
2	Archer C	1	4	2	4	3	5	1	5	25	14	11
3	Archer F	6	1	6	3	1	100	5	2	124	112	12
4	Archer E	4	2	4	2	4	100	3	3	122	108	14
5	Archer D	3	6	1	5	5	8	2	100	130	114	16
6	Archer B	5	5	3	6	100	10	100	4	233	206	27