

**2026 Team Alberta**

High Performance Team

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Information Package

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## **Intent of Team Alberta**

The intent of the Archery Alberta Provincial Team is:

- To encourage and foster the development of competitive archers in Alberta and develop a cohesive team in which Alberta Archers work together to support each other and achieve success.
- To field stronger and better prepared archers for participation in the Canadian Championships and to help team members compete more effectively at National and International events.
- To provide funding assistance to team members competing at national and international events.
- To increase the number of Team Alberta members at National and International competitions.
- To travel to away events with overnight stays of more than one night, and/or are outside Alberta (including vehicle rental, flights, hotels etc.)
- To give Alberta competitors a “team look.”

Team Alberta is designed for athletes in the “Train to Compete” and “Shoot to Excel” stages of athlete development, where athletes are striving for excellence, and aiming to shoot at higher levels of competition. The structure of Team Alberta is in line with the recommendations set forth for these stages by Archery Canada’s Long Term Athlete Development resources ([AC LTAD](#)).

## **Athlete Benefits**

Members of the Archery Alberta Provincial Team are eligible to receive:

- A Team Alberta shooting shirt, and other Team Alberta apparel as offered.
- Funding to attend National and International competitions.
- Access to Team Alberta development clinics.
- An open communication channel for team members, that athletes may use to give and receive support from one another.
- Access to sessions with a mental performance consultant.
- Other sport resources, such as a strength training coach or nutritionist.
- Selection to Alberta’s Fred Usher Cup team.
- Organized team trips for the purpose of development opportunities.

Team benefits will be tailored to the needs and wishes of team members for each given year and is subject to change based on the available budget for each team year.

## Selection Process

Each year, up to 20 athletes will be selected to Team Alberta. The eligibility criteria are outlined below.

### Eligibility Requirements

Prospective Team Alberta members must meet the following eligibility requirements for their application to be considered:

- Athlete must be an Archery Alberta member in good standing.
- Canadian citizen with primary residence in Alberta (minimum 8 months of the year)
- Minimum shooting level:
  - o Target Archery
    - 5 outdoor events with scores that meet or exceed a predetermined percentage (90%) of the National Open record in their category based on scores from the previous year. These minimum qualifying scores are outlined in the document appendix.
    - Athletes must also have shot a score at a provincial event (i.e. Outdoor Provincials). This score is not required to meet the MQS, but it is preferred.
  - o 3D Archery
    - 5 events which follow ASA scoring that meet or exceed a predetermined standard based on results of previous Archery Alberta sanctioned events. These minimum qualifying scores are outlined in the document appendix.
    - Athletes must also have shot a score at both indoor and outdoor provincials. These scores are not required to meet the MQS, but it is preferred.
  - o Field Archery
    - Team Alberta does not currently have a Field Archery category, although members of Team Alberta who qualify for international Field events may still be eligible for funding (See Team Funding Section).

Note: When an archer moves up to the next age category, their scores from the previous age category will still be used. An archer must meet the scores of the category that they will be in during the team year. For example, a u18 athlete moving up to the u21 category must meet the scores required of a u21 athlete during the last year in u18. Changes in target distance will be considered in these circumstances.

Note: If a required provincial event is not held in the year preceding team selection, exceptions may be granted to those athletes applying, after review by the high-performance committee.

### *Age Requirements*

Team Alberta is open to athletes in the u18, u21, 21+, and 50+ age categories. Athletes must be in an eligible age category at the start of the team year (April 1st). In alignment with the Long-

Term Athlete Development program, the high-performance committee reserves the right to give priority selection to youth athletes.

### **Applying to Team Alberta**

To apply to Team Alberta, a completed application form, and a letter of intent must be submitted to the high-performance coordinator (high-perform@archeryalberta.ca) no later than March 27, 2026.

The letter of intent must outline the applicants previous shooting experience, their plans for the upcoming season, and how being on Team Alberta would help their development.

Archers may apply using either 3D scores, or target scores, but not both.

### **Team Alberta Selection**

Up to 20 athletes may be selected to Team Alberta each year. 10 spots will be initially reserved for target archers, and 10 spots will be initially reserved for 3D archers. If more than 10 athletes apply in a category, athletes will be ranked based on their performance, and the top 10 athletes in each category will be chosen. If any spots from either discipline are unfilled, athletes from the other discipline may be selected to fill the team. The high-performance committee will endeavor to create a balanced team of male and female athletes. Based on the performance of applicants to Team Alberta, the high-performance committee reserves the right to make selections to uphold this.

Upon selection, athletes will be required to provide the following documentation to confirm their spot on the team:

- Their yearly training plan
- A signed copy of the athlete agreement
- Proof of completion of Respect in Sport
  - o For athletes under 18, parents must also complete and provide proof

### **Team Expectations**

All members of Team Alberta must meet the following expectations to qualify for funding:

- Submit quarterly reports detailing the archer's competition results and progress
- Attend required events:
  - o Indoor Provincials (Target and/or 3D)
  - o Outdoor Provincials (Target and/or 3D)
  - o 1 National Event per year (Canada Cups, Target Nationals, Indoor/Outdoor 3D Nationals)
  - o If an athlete is unable to attend one of the required events, they must submit in writing a reasonable cause for non-attendance to the high-performance coordinator for review by the athlete development committee at least two weeks in advance of the event.

- Wear their Team Alberta shirt for at least 1 official day of competition, and for medal ceremonies.
  - o This does not apply to international events, where archers are required to wear the Archery Canada uniform.
- Volunteer as follows:
  - o Set up and takedown of tournaments in which members participated
  - o Casino Volunteering (those under 18, or those who require an exemption are expected to fill that spot)
  - o Sitting on an Archery Alberta committee or holding an executive position where possible.
- Have 5 current scores that meet the minimum score level required for their current equipment and age category to maintain their spot on the team.
  - o These can be shot at events at any level (Local, Provincial, National, and International)
- Adhere to the athlete agreement. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the team.

Failing to meet requirements will result in a warning and may lead to a loss of funding, or even dismissal from Team Alberta.

### **Exemptions from Events**

If a Team Alberta member is unable to compete at a required event, or volunteer at an event they attend, they must request permission to be excused from volunteering in writing (by email or letter) to the high-performance coordinator at least two weeks prior to the event. In the case that this is only possible after the event, member must submit a written explanation (by email or letter) to the high-performance coordinator within two weeks of the events conclusion, outlining the circumstances. In both cases exemptions will be reviewed by the athlete development committee for approval.

Examples of exemptions:

- Archer cannot attend a provincial or national event because they are attending a higher-level event.
- Injury or illness
- An archer decides to switch equipment categories

### *Injury Clause*

Members of Team Alberta deemed ineligible strictly due to health-related reasons during the qualification period for the 2026/2027 Team selection may be considered for re-nomination by the Athlete Development Committee if they apply for consideration in writing.

Any application for consideration must include a doctor's note outlining the injury, the anticipated rehabilitation schedule, and the anticipated training and competitive schedule upon return. Archery Alberta may request a physician to review and qualify the athlete's physician's document.

## **Team Funding**

All funding offered to members of Team Alberta is dependent upon the annual budget, for the team year. Funding will be allocated as follows.

### **Event Funding**

Athletes on Team Alberta may be eligible to receive funding to attend national events. To receive this funding, athletes must confirm their attendance at a national event (either Canada Cup or Canadian Nationals) and provide receipts of expenses incurred to attend the event. Athletes may receive a maximum of one National Event grant per team year.

Athletes must be in good standing on the team to receive funding for events.

### **Team Canada Funding**

Athletes who are selected by Archery Canada to compete on a Senior, Junior or Cadet National Team may be eligible to receive a monetary grant for attendance at world events (World Championships, World Cups, World Games, Pan American Championships, University Championships/Games etc.)

Athletes may receive a maximum of one National Team Assistance Grant per fiscal year. To receive the grant, an athlete must notify the high-performance coordinator and provide receipts of expenses incurred to attend the event.

Athletes must be Team Alberta members at the time of selection to qualify for the National Team Assistance Grant, except for u15 athletes, who are not yet eligible for Team Alberta but may be eligible to compete in certain international competitions. Exceptions to this rule may be considered if funding allows. Athletes who are not members of Team Alberta who wish to receive funding are encouraged to contact the high-performance coordinator to discuss the availability of National Team assistance.

All provincial team grants are depended on funding, are reviewed annually, and may be subject to change throughout the year.

## Appendix

### Target Archery Qualifying Scores

<b>Target Score Percentage Requirements Based on an outdoor 720 round</b>					
<i>Men's Compound</i>			<i>Women's Compound</i>		
<i>Category</i>	<i>Record</i>	<i>90% Value</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Record</i>	<i>90% Value</i>
50+	708	637	50+	694	625
21+	715	644	21+	699	629
U21	713	642	U21	699	629
U18	706	635	U18	699	629
<i>Men's Recurve</i>			<i>Women's Recurve</i>		
<i>Category</i>	<i>Record</i>	<i>90% Value</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Record</i>	<i>90% Value</i>
50+	650	585	50+	619	557
21+	688	619	21+	665	599
U21	657	591	U21	631	568
U18	662	596	U18	643	579
<i>Men's Barebow</i>			<i>Women's Barebow</i>		
<i>Category</i>	<i>Record</i>	<i>90% Value</i>	<i>Category</i>	<i>Record</i>	<i>90% Value</i>
50+	627	564	50+	587	528
21+	658	592	21+	587	528
U21	534	481	U21	N/A	N/A
U18	534	481	U18	470	423

### 3D Archery Qualifying Scores

3D Score Requirements ASA Scoring, Based on 3 Courses				
Category	Male		Female	
	Indoors	Outdoors	Indoors	Outdoors
Known 50	630	620	600	600
Open	630	580	630	580
Hunter	600	590	550	550
Young Adult	600	590	470	570
Barebow/Traditional	500	500	470	450
Young Adult Barebow	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Senior Known	600	600	570	570

*\*N/A indicates a category with insufficient data to create a standard. The performance of archers who apply in these categories will be reviewed upon application.*

**Team Alberta Application Form**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (Year/Month/Day): \_\_\_\_\_

Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Equipment Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

If athlete is under 18 years old:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

## Qualifying Scores

Please fill out the table for the category you wish to apply in and include it as part of your Team Alberta application.

### *Target Archery*

Please enter your top 5 registered scores, as well as your score at outdoor provincials. If your scores from these events are included in your top 5 registered scores, you need only list them once.

Event	Score	Location	Date
Example: Local 720	681	Sherwood Park	July 21, 2025
Outdoor Provincials			

### *3D Archery*

Please enter your top 5 scores, as well as your scores from either outdoor or indoor provincials. If your scores from these events are included in your top 5 registered scores, you need only list them once.

Event	Score	Location	Date	Indoor or Outdoor?
Example: ASA Tour Leg 2	640	Lethbridge	July 18, 2025	Outdoor
Outdoor Provincials				Outdoor
Indoor Provincials				Indoor