My name is Bill Scully, Mid America JOAD Coach. I will be directing the ITAA State JOAD Outdoor Tournament. Mid America coaches and instructors will be assisting me and acting as on field officials, they will be identifiable by the yellow safety vests. They will make scoring calls at the targets. Any disputes with their decisions will be immediately brought to my attention for resolution before arrows are removed.

This is a 720-qualification round with twelve ends of six arrows, each at specified distances based on age and division. We plan a 10 minute break after six ends, time permitting. Once both qualification rounds are complete and all score cards are signed and turned in, there will be a one hour lunch break while the staff sets up the head-to-head elimination rounds. Elimination rounds are seeded brackets. Compound bow shooters will shoot five ends of three arrows, total high score wins. Ties will be determined by a one arrow shoot off. Recurve/barebow shooters will shoot up to five ends of three arrows, the high score of each end will receive 2 points, tied ends will award one point to each archer, the first archer to reach six points wins. If after 5 ends archers are tied, the winner will be determined by a one arrow shoot-off.

**Order of Shooting**

* Equipment check will start NLT 8:00 am.
* We will start promptly at 9:00 am.
* There will be two ends of practice where the A line (A/B) will shoot first each time, then the B line (C/D). You can shoot more than six arrows in practice, but you cannot shoot before or after your four minutes. There will be no practice end after the break.
* Once scoring begins, we will alternate which line shoots first starting with A line first, then B line, then A line etc.
* We will not switch target locations at the half way point.
* The timer clock will not be visible to archers. We will utilize flags. A Yellow flag will signal the 30 second countdown along with an amplified announcement; a red will signal shooting time has expired along with two whistles.
* Whistle commands:
	+ Two whistles – Athletes for the first line come to the shooting line.
	+ One whistle – First line commence shooting.
	+ Two whistles – First line stop shooting, and/or second line to the shooting line.
	+ One whistle – Second line commence shooting.
	+ Two whistles – Second line stop shooting.
	+ Three whistles – All clear athletes score your arrows.
	+ Five or more whistles immediately stop shooting.

**Scoring**

* Double scoring (2 scorecards per archer)
* Please check the math carefully after each end for accuracy. Parents/ Guardians will be permitted to assist at the target bales with the math and pulling of arrows.
* Arrow holes must be marked.
* Should a bounce out or hanging arrow occur, all archers on the target bale involved will cease shooting. Shooting on that bale will resume after the end and the bounce out is scored. Notify one of the field umpires of the circumstance by raising your hand and stepping off the shooting line.
* If more than the allotted number of arrows are shot on one end only the lowest appropriate arrows will be counted.
* Shooting before or after the time limit will cause the highest scoring arrow for that end to be dropped.
* Do not touch the arrows or target faces until the arrow values have been recorded. Mark your arrows before removing from the target. ***You will be asked to change your target face if the lines become obscured and the values cannot be called.***
* If you have an equipment failure or medical issue, raise your hand to get the attention of an umpire and step off the line. You will have time to make up any missed arrows due to equipment failure or valid medical issues. While the rule on arrows has been clarified and defective arrows are considered an equipment failure, it is advisable to have sufficient extra arrows in your quiver so your timing is not interrupted.

**Courtesies**

Archers please stay behind the waiting line until it is your time to shoot, keeping noise to a minimum during shooting. A dropped arrow at the shooting may be left on the ground, or you may pick it up if you can do so safely. It is considered a shot arrow if it fully crosses the three-meter line. If you are unsure about whether your arrow fully crossed the three-meter line, once your other remaining arrows have been shot, raise your hand to get a determination from one of the field officials, if the arrow is determined to not be a shot arrow, you will be provided 40 seconds to re-shoot the arrow before scoring of that end.

If the person next to you is in full draw, please do not step off the line until they have shot their arrow, while this is not a rule, it is a courtesy we normally try to live up to.

**Spectators**

Please ensure at least one portable restroom remains available to athletes and staff to prevent missed ends or delays in shooting. There are restroom facilities available in the Town Hall Archery Pro-shop in addition to the portable facilities.

Please do not cross into the athlete waiting area while athletes are still on the shooting line.

**Awards**:

Awards will be presented to the top three places in each category. Out of state competitors are eligible for awards.

**Sanctioning:** Today’s qualification rounds are sanctioned star FITA rounds.

**Lunch Break:** During the lunch break, there are several fast food restaurants about a half mile North of us, Wendy’s, Qudoba’s, White Castle, Arby’s etc. Visitors needing directions, feel free to ask any of our local members or staff members.

**Maps:** I have included a pdf file with three maps, one close up of the tournament areas, one of the tournament areas to include the entrance road to Town Hall Archery, and one showing the location of eating establishments close to the venue.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via email or phone at your earliest convenience. Wscully01@att.net 618-975-4401.