



ARCHERY



Purpose: Provide archery programs supporting Georgia-Carolina Council events and activities including camps, merit badges, open shoots and training courses.

Locations: The primary location for archery shooting activities within the Georgia-Carolina Council is the archery ranges located at Robert E. Knox Scout Reservation. Alternate archery activities may take place as approved by the Council at the Nature and Adventure Center.

Supported Activities: The Shooting Sports Team supports a variety of Council-wide programs including but not limited to:

- Summer Camp: 4-day Merit Badge classes plus Advanced Archery and open shoots
- Winter Camp: 2-day archery program with skills/technique training (not Merit Badge)
- Camporees: 1-day competition
- Council Open Shoots and Competitions: 1-day events
- Merit Badge Courses (separate from Summer Camp programs): single day training events
- Other Council-sponsored shooting activities

Ranges: Currently we operate 3 types of ranges located at Robert E. Knox Scout Reservation as follows:

- **Traditional Range:** This range is located at the archery pavilion on camp and is comprised of 5 shooting lanes capable of handling 10 shooters. Targets are set at 10 yards and this is a fixed position shooting location. This range is used for merit badge, basic archery training and skills development, and general archery activities.
- **Field Range:** This range is located past the archery pavilion utilizing the open field and tree line for target placement and shooting activities. This range is capable of handling 4 archers at a time shooting at 3D animal targets set at a minimum distance of 10 yards. This is an advanced archery program which uses a moving shooting position to teach and hone an archer's skill and accuracy.
- **Trail Range:** This range is located adjacent to the archery pavilion utilizing the Knox Trail System for target placement and shooting activities. This range is capable of handling 4 archers at a time shooting at 3D animal targets set at a minimum distance of 10 yards. This is an advanced archery program which uses a moving shooting position along the trail to teach and hone an archer's skill and accuracy in differing environmental conditions (i.e. light, terrain and visual obstructions).

Training: All personnel supporting Scouting America's Range and Target Activities must be qualified in accordance with National Camp Accreditation Program. For archery programs

this requires personnel to meet the Scouting America recognized training for archery through completion of USA Archery Level 1 Instructor certification (basic) or USA Archery Level 2 Instructor certification or above.

Certification and Registration Costs:

- Scouting America Adult Leader registration: \$70.00 (merit badge counselor)
- USA Archery Level 1 certification: \$40.00 online course & \$10.00 practical course
 - Certification Period: 3 years
- USA Archery Level 2 certification: \$50.00 online course & \$10.00 practical course
 - Certification Period: 3 years
- USA Archery or NFAA membership: \$70.00 annually (\$60.00 NFAA)

Courses:

- **USA Archery Level 1:** The USA Archery Level 1 Instructor will learn about range safety and setup, the steps of shooting, equipment and repair, programs and lesson plans, and is well prepared to teach beginner archery programs to people of all ages and abilities in a variety of disciplines.
- **USA Archery Level 2:** The USA Archery Level 2 Instructor Certification online course includes the USA Archery Level 1 Instructor online certification course information and provides students with an introduction to the National Training System (NTS) Steps of Shooting for recurve and compound, equipment and accessory setup, athlete development and events.
 - In addition to passing the course, instructors must have current [U.S. Center for SafeSport](#) training, current [USA Archery Background Screen](#), and a current [USA Archery or National Field Archery Association membership](#).