Archery Instructor Certification

In order to ensure your archery program is safe, be sure to utilize a certified archery instructor. Together <u>The Easton Foundations</u>, <u>USA Archery</u> and the <u>National Field Archery Association</u> offer a variety of certification courses. Once you receive certification, archery programs can be held in your existing facilities.

Level 1 Instructor

A Level 1 Instructor most often works with short-term "grassroots" program to introduce basic archery skills to beginners (most generally associated with Parks and Recreation Departments, 4H Clubs, Boys and Girls Scouts, and Camp programs).

- Course content: Range safety, range set-up, basic equipment setup and repair, and how to teach the basic steps of shooting
- Length of Course: 4-12 hours

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- Prerequisites: Minimum age: 15
- Course Cost: Varies depending on instructor
- Certification period: Three years
- Any Level 1 Instructor who wants individual insurance coverage will need to become a member of USA Archery and complete a background check

Level 2 Instructor

Level 2 Instructors generally work with more established archery programs, such as Junior Olympic Archery Development (JOAD), college clubs and local archery clubs with a strong base of beginners. Course includes basic shooting steps, introduction to intermediate shooting steps, safety, range set-up, equipment setup and repair, fitting equipment to an archer, how to teach archery and how to teach a Level 1 Instructor Course.

- Length of Course: 12-20 hours
- Prerequisites: Minimum age: 18, USA Archery or National Field Archery Association membership,
 Successful background screen
- Course Cost: Varies depending on instructor
- Certification period: Three years
- Please note: No certification will be processed without membership and a successful background screen

Level 3-NTS Coach

The Level 3 course is designed to focus on individual athlete development. Level 3 Coaches are certified to teach Level 1 and Level 2 courses.

- Course content: Coaching philosophy, training cycles/plans, competition preparation, mental skills, equipment tuning, and the shooting technique termed National Training System (NTS).
- Length of Course: 20-24 hours
- Prerequisites: Minimum age: 18; Must have been an Intermediate Instructor for one year or pass an
 exam to 'test out' of the Intermediate level and verify three years experience in an archery instructor

capacity; Successful background screen; and USA Archery or National Field Archery Association membership

- Course Cost: Varies depending on instructor
- Certification period: Three years
- Please note: No certification will be processed without membership and a successful background screen

Important Links:

- Upcoming Archery Certification Courses
- Locate a Certified Archery Instructor