



2015-16 Girls COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Showdown Terms and Conditions

I. CONTESTANT CLASSIFICATION

Each participant will compete in the Class 1A, 2A, 3A or 4A competition correlated to the classification of the contestant's school in the state tournament series as stipulated in the Basketball State Tournament Series Terms and Conditions.

II. NAME, DATES AND SITES

A. Name:

1) The Three-Point Shooting Contest shall be named the **Country Financial Three-Point Showdown**.

B. Dates and Sites:

1) Qualifying rounds for the Three-Point Shooting Contest will be conducted prior to the Regional Championship and Sectional Championship games in the Girls state series.

2) The Class 1A and 2A Regional Championship shall be held February 11 or 12 and the Sectional Championship will be February 18.

3) The Class 3A and 4A Regional Championship shall be held February 18 or 19 and the Sectional Championship will be February 25.

C. COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Competition at Redbird Arena, Normal Class 1A and 2A

1) February 25 – Three-Point Shooting Preliminaries on Thursday at Redbird Arena at 5:00 p.m.

2) February 26 – Cl. 1A Three-Point Shooting Finals on Friday at Redbird Arena between the Semifinal Games at approximately 1:45 p.m.

3) February 26 – Cl. 2A Three-Point Shooting Finals on Friday at Redbird Arena between the Semifinal Games at approximately 8:00 p.m.

4) March 5 -- Queen of the Hill matching Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A winners on Saturday at Redbird Arena at 1:30 p.m. (approx.)

Class 3A and 4A

1) March 3– Three-Point Shooting Preliminaries on Thursday at Redbird Arena at 5:00 p.m.

2) March 4 – Cl. 3A Three-Point Shooting Finals on Friday at Redbird Arena between the Semifinal Games at approximately 1:45 p.m.

3) March 4 – Cl. 4A Three-Point Shooting Finals on Friday at Redbird Arena between the Semifinal Games at approximately 8:00 p.m.

4) March 5 -- Queen of the Hill matching Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A winners on Saturday at Redbird Arena at 1:30 p.m. (approx.)

III. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES

A. General Eligibility:

1) Only girls at IHSA member schools who have dressed for and occupied the team bench for a girls' varsity basketball contest are eligible to participate in the three-point shooting competition.

2) To enter the COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Shooting Competition, a girl must be eligible under all the eligibility rules and conditions of competition of the Illinois High School Association.

3) All players on all teams (including those participating in the current year's State Final Tournament) may compete in the Three-Point Shooting Contest.

B. Entries

1) Each team participating in the state tournament series (Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A) may select and enter up to four (4) shooters to participate in the shooting contest.

2) The names of the four (4) shooters must be submitted on the IHSA 3pt Entry Form to the Local Manager no later than 24 hours prior to the start of the shooting competition that begins at 5:30 p.m. on the Regional Championship night.

3) There shall be no substitutes or alternates in the Three-Point Shooting Contest.

IV. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

A. Regional/Sectional

1) Each participant will be responsible for her own expenses at the regional and sectional levels of the Three-Point Shooting Contest, except:

2) Access To Facility: Regional and Sectional tournament managers shall allow each shooter, on each night the shooter competes, the opportunity to be accompanied by up to four (4) persons to watch the shooter in the Three-Point competition. Each shooter's group will be admitted to the facility at no charge only for the time of the actual Three-Point competition. Once the competition is concluded, the shooter's group will be required to leave the facility.

a) Shooter's group will be admitted at the pass gate and seated in the facility by game management. Once the competition is completed, the shooter's group will be escorted from the facility by game manage-

ment. (Refer to the 3pt. supplement for suggested seating options).

B. State Final

Each participant will be responsible for her own expenses at Redbird Arena in Normal, except:

1) Each participant advancing to the State Final, shall be provided one (1) complimentary season ticket by IHSA to the respective 2016 Cl. 1A, 2A, 3A or 4A Girls State Final Basketball Tournament.

a) The four (4) qualifiers from the Thursday preliminaries for each of the Cl. 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A finals in the Three-Point Shooting Contest shall be provided with two (2) additional passes for access to Redbird Arena.

2) The four (4) qualifiers from the Thursday preliminaries for each of the Cl. 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A finals in the Three-Point Shooting Contest scheduled for Friday will have rooms for their respective state final provided by IHSA for Thursday. These rooms shall be issued only to an adult who is accompanying the qualifier, and who shall be responsible for the room, and who shall provide a major credit card when registering.

3) The Cl. 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A Queen of the Hill qualifier will have a room provided by IHSA for Friday of the Class 3A and 4A State Final. This room will be issued only to an adult who is accompanying the qualifier, and who shall be responsible for the room, and who shall provide a major credit card when registering.

V. CONTEST STRUCTURE AND TIME SCHEDULES

A. Each regional tournament host school and each sectional tournament host school is required to conduct the Three-Point Shooting Contest according to these Terms and Conditions.

B. Competition in the Three-Point Shooting Contest will be conducted at 5:30 p.m. on the night of the Regional Championship.

C. Competition in the Three-Point Shooting Contest will be conducted at 5:30 p.m. on the night of the Regional Championship and at 5:30 p.m. on the night of the Sectional Championship correlated tournament in the respective (Cl.1A, 2A, 3A and 4A) girls' state tournament series.

E. Regional & Sectional Championship Time Schedule

5:30 p.m.—All contestants draw numbers for their shooting order and group.

Ex. 7 teams in a regional each entering 4 shooters=28 total shooters.

Each shooter will draw a number out of hat 1-28. Shooters will be placed in groups of 8, the last group of shooters will not be a full group of 8. (Ex. Group #1-Shooters 1-8, Group #2-Shooters 9-16, Group #3 Shooters 17-24, Group #4 25-28).

5:35p.m.—Begin 3 minute warm-up for Group #1 Three-Point Shooters scheduled to compete on scoreboard clock. After 3 minutes when clock reaches 0:00, horn sounds, warm-up concludes.

5:38-5:46 p.m. (Approx.)—Three-Point Shooting Competition Group #1. All shooters will shoot at the same basket. (Shooters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8).

5:47-5:50 p.m. (Approx.)—Begin 3 minute warm-up for Group #2 Three-Point Shooters scheduled to compete on the scoreboard clock. After 3 minutes when clock reaches 0:00, horn sounds, warm-up concludes.

5:51-5:59 p.m. (Approx.)—Three-Point Shooting Competition Group #2. All shooters will shoot at the same basket. (Shooters 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16).

6:00-6:03 p.m. (Approx.)—Begin 3 minute warm-up for Group #3 Three-Point Shooters scheduled to compete on the scoreboard clock. After 3 minutes when clock reaches 0:00, horn sounds, warm-up concludes

6:04-6:12 p.m. (Approx.)—Three-Point Shooting Competition Group #3. All shooters will shoot at the same basket. (Shooters 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24).

6:13-6:16 p.m. (Approx.)—Begin 3 minute warm-up from Group #4 Three-Point Shooters scheduled to compete on scoreboard clock. After 3 minutes when clock reaches 0:00, horn sounds, warm-up concludes.

6:17-6:21 p.m. (Approx.)—Three-Point Shooting Competition Group #4. All shooters will shoot at the same basket. (Shooters 25, 26, 27, 28). The top 4 overall shooters from the Regional Championship will advance to the correlated Sectional site regardless of what Group each shooter was in. The top 4 overall shooters from the Sectional Championship will advance to the State Final prelims.

6:25-6:35 p.m. (Approx.)—Three-Point Shooting awards and announcements.

6:35-6:40 p.m. (Approx.)—5 minute break for coaches of shooters and competing teams to meet in dressing room for pre-game instructions.

6:40-6:55 p.m.(Approx.)—Start 15 minute pre-game warm up

6:57-7:00 p.m. (Approx.)—At conclusion of National Anthem, introduction of players and coaches.

7:00 p.m. (Approx.)—Game Tip-off.

VI. ADVANCEMENT OF WINNERS

A. Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A: Regionals

1) All regional level competition shall be at the site of the host school of the Regional Tournament.

2) All shooters from a Regional site will enter the Three-Point Shooting Competition for the first time the night of the Regional Championship game, regardless if their team advances to the Regional Championship.

3) Shooting shall be conducted prior to the Regional Championship and advancement of the top four shooters from the Regional will advance to the correlated Sectional site and will shoot at 5:30 p.m. prior to the Sectional Championship.

Sectionals

1) The sectional level competition shall be at the site of the host school of the Sectional Tournament.

2) Shooting shall be conducted prior to the Sectional Championship at 5:30 p.m. and advancement of the top (4) overall shooters will advance to the Three-Point Shooting Preliminaries at the State Final.

VII. CONTEST RULES

A. Three-Point Shooting:

1) Each team entered in the Girls state tournament series may select and enter up to four (4) shooters. Only those shooters selected to compete in the competition the first time at the school Regional Site in the Girls state tournament series shall be eligible to compete and advance in the Three-Point Shooting Competition. Shooters will compete individually in the Three-Point Shooting Competition and their participation in the competition is independent from the advancement of the shooter's team in the Girls state tournament series. There shall be no alternates.

2) The scoreboard and scoreboard clock shall be used as each shooter competes. The clock shall be set at 45 seconds and run down, while shots made shall be recorded.

3) All shooters will shoot at the same basket in each round. The local manager shall determine the basket to be used.

4) Begin each shooter's timing with the scoreboard horn and end each shooter's timing with the scoreboard horn.

5) Shooting Order:

a) Regionals: There shall be a blind draw for shooting order conducted

immediately at 5:30 p.m. prior to the Regional Championship Game. Any competitor(s) who is/are not in attendance for the draw will have a shooting number drawn for them by the contest manager. If a competitor(s) is/are not in attendance or ready to shoot when his/her turn is up, the competitor will be disqualified. Any competitor(s) who fail to show up on the night of the Regional Championship will not be allowed an alternative day or time to qualify. Competitors who show up late will not be given any additional warm-up time.

b) Sectionals: There shall be a blind draw for shooting order conducted immediately at 5:30 p.m. prior to the start of the Sectional Championship. Any competitor(s) who is/are not in attendance for the draw will have a shooting number drawn for them by the contest manager. If a competitor(s) is/are not in attendance or ready to shoot when his/her turn is up, the competitor will be disqualified. Any competitor(s) who fail to show up on the night of the Sectional Championship will not be allowed an alternative day or time to qualify. Competitors who show up late will not be given any additional warm-up time.

c) State Final: The IHSA shall blind draw the shooting order for the Thursday preliminaries once all the entries have been received. The order will be announced prior to the date of the preliminaries. Shooting order for each round after the preliminaries shall be in reverse (fewest made to most made) order of qualifying score.

6) A warm-up period of three (3) minutes will be provided before the start of each round competition and one (1) minute warm-up period before each tiebreaker at the regional and sectional. By mutual agreement of the shooters competing in a tiebreaker, the warm-up period may be shortened or eliminated.

7) Each shooter will shoot one round consisting of three racks of five (5) balls (a total of 15 balls).

8) Beginning with Rack 1, shooters will compete in a round and rotate through the 3 racks as follows:

Rack 1 = right side of free throw line extended

Rack 2 = top of circle

Rack 3 = left side of free throw line extended

a) Wherein possible, three different ball racks should be used. If three ball racks are not available, there should be at least two ball racks, with the ball rack used for position No. 1 moved to position No. 3 immediately after the shooter completes use of ball rack No. 1.

b) It is the responsibility of the shooter to lift each ball from each rack. If the shooter requests, or if the ball rack being used

cannot hold five balls, the first ball in a rack may be given to the shooter by a bench official.

9) Each made basket is worth one (1) point in the round.

10) There will be a time limit of forty-five (45) seconds per shooter each regular round. There will be a time limit of thirty (30) seconds per shooter each tiebreaker round. In the event a ball becomes lodged in the basket support during a contestant's shooting round, the clock shall be stopped, the ball removed, and then the clock will be restarted, allowing the shooter to complete his/her round.

11) Shooters with most points advance to next level of competition. Shooters who advance in Regional competition will shoot on night of Sectional Championship regardless of the shooter's team advancement in the Girls basketball tournament series.

12) In the event two (2) or more shooters tie in points for the last advancing position(s), the tie will be broken with additional round(s). Ball will be shot from spot(s) in sequence as is outlined below.

13) Tiebreaker: This procedure will be used only to break a tie for advancement. (For example, if four shooters make 12 shots and the four others make 10, there will be no tiebreaker. If one shooter makes 12, another shooter 11, and three or more make the next equal amount, the tiebreaker shall be used to determine the two (remaining) advancing shooters. If the tie is not broken, shooters will repeat the tiebreaker procedure until the tie is

broken. Each shooter will shoot two racks of five (5) balls (a total of 10 balls) on the following basis:

Rack 4 = right corner

Rack 5 = left corner

B. Uniforms:

1) All participants shall wear their official school team uniform, which shall be uniform jersey and uniform shorts. Uniform color shall be at the discretion of the participant.

2) Shooters who appear at the competition not in school uniform shall be disqualified from the shooting contest.

C. Balls:

The Wilson Evolution WTB0586 basketball shall be used in the Three-Point Shooting Competition at the State Final.

VIII. CONTEST POLICIES

A. All IHSA Girls Basketball Tournament Series policies will be enforced during both contests.

IX. CONTEST AWARDS

A. Queen of the Hill Champion: Award will be presented to winner of the overall competition between the respective Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A winners.

B. Winners of the competition between the respective Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A Three-Point Shooting Contest will receive an award and advance to the Queen of the Hill Competition.

C. Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A: Awards will be presented to the three finalists who do not advance to the Queen of the Hill competition.

D. Awards at the regional and sectional level may be presented if secured by the local manager and/or in conjunction with the local Country Financial agent.

X. OFFICIALS

A. Each host school will be responsible for appointing bench officials to officiate/administer the shooting. It is recommended that none of these be one of the game officials.

B. Three-Point Judges at the State Finals shall be appointed by IHSA in conjunction with the Illinois Coaches Association (ICA) and the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA).

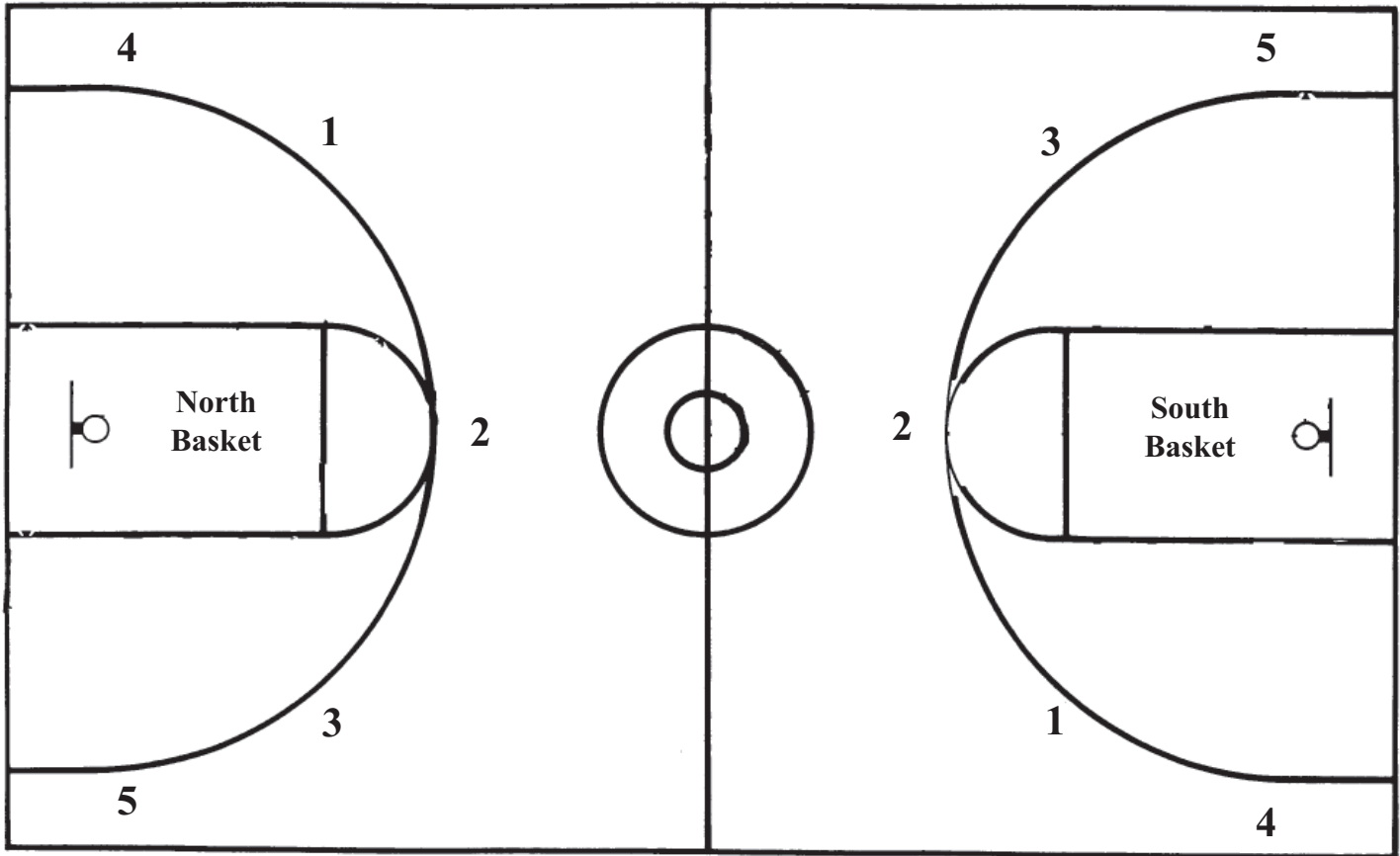
Three-Point Shooting Positions

Prelims

1A & 3A — north basket
2A & 4A — south basket

Class Finals

1A - 4A — south basket
Queen of the Hill — south basket



Racks 1, 2, 3 will be the positions used for each rack in preliminary and final round competition.

Racks 4 and 5 will only be used in case of a tie breaker.