



# 2015-16 Boys COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Showdown Terms and Conditions

## I. CONTESTANT CLASSIFICATION

Each participant will compete in the Class 1A, 2A, 3A or Class 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. NAMES, DATES AND SITES

### A. Names:

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

### B. Dates and Sites:

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

2) The Class 1A and 2A Regional Championship shall be held February 26 and the Sectional Championship March 4.

3) The Class 3A and 4A Regional Championship shall be held March 4 and the Sectional Championship March 11.

### C. COUNTRY Financial Three-Point shooting at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center Class 1A and 2A

1) March 10 – COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Shooting Preliminaries on Thursday at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center at 5:00 p.m.

2) March 11 – Class 1A COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Shooting Finals on Friday at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center between Semifinal Games at approximately 1:45 p.m. (warm-up on Center Court of March Madness Experience Exhibit Hall from 1:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m.).

3) March 11 – Class 2A Three-Point Shooting Finals in the COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Shooting Contest on Friday at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center between Semifinal Games at approximately 8:00 p.m. (warm-up on Center Court of March Madness Experience Exhibit Hall from 7:30-7:45 p.m.).

4) March 19 – COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Shooting King of the Hill matching Class 1A, Class 2A, Class 3A and Class 4A winners on Saturday at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center at approximately 1:45 p.m.

### Class 3A and 4A

1) March 17 – COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Shooting Preliminaries on Thursday at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center at 5:00 p.m.

2) March 18 – Class 3A COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Finals on Friday at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center between Semifinal Games at approximately 1:45 p.m. (warm-up on Center Court of March Madness Experience Exhibit Hall from 1:15 p.m.-1:30 p.m.).

3) March 18– Class 4A COUNTRY Financial Finals on Friday at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center between Semifinal Games at approximately 8:00 p.m. (warm-up on Center Court of March Madness Experience Exhibit Hall from 7:30-7:45 p.m.).

4) March 19 – COUNTRY Financial Three-Point Shooting King of the Hill matching Class 1A, Class 2A, Class 3A and Class 4A winners on Saturday at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center at approximately 1:45 p.m.

## III. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRIES

### A. General Eligibility:

1) Only boys at IHSA member schools who have dressed for and occupied the team bench for a boys' varsity basketball game are eligible to participate in the Three-Point Shooting Competition.

2) To enter the skills competition, a boy 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.

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

### B. Entries

1) Each team entered in the boys' state basketball tournament series (Class 1A, 2A, 3A and Class 4A) may select and enter up to four (4) shooters.

2) The names of the four (4) shooters must be submitted on the IHSA Three-Point 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 substitution of any shooters in any round after the four (4) shooters have been designated by each school and participate in the Three-Point Shooting Contest at the Regional Championship.

## IV. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

### A. Regional/Sectional

1) Each participant will be responsible for his 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 the night each shooter is scheduled to participate, 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 management. (Refer to the Three-Point supplement for suggested seating options.)

### B. State Final

Each participant will be responsible for his own expenses at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center, except:

1) Each qualifier will be provided one (1) pass for access to Carver Arena to the respective 2016 Class 1A, 2A, 3A or 4A Boys Basketball State Final Basketball Tournament. (The pass provides for standing room only seating.)

a) The four (4) qualifiers from the Thursday preliminaries for each of the Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A finals in the Three-Point Shooting Contest shall be provided with two (2) additional passes for access to Carver Arena. (The pass provides for standing room only seating.)

b) Each of the qualifiers for the finals in the Three-Point Shooting Contest shall have the option to purchase two (2) additional session tickets.

2) The four (4) qualifiers from the Thursday preliminaries for Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A 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 Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A Three-Point Shooting King of the Hill Qualifiers will have a room provided by IHSA for Friday (March 20) of the Class 3A and 4A State Final. These rooms will be issued only to an adult who is accompanying the qualifier, and who shall be responsible for the room.

## 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 and at 5:30 p.m. the night of the Sectional Championship in the respective (Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A) boys' state tournament series.

### C. Regional and Sectional 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. Three-Point Shooting — Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A

#### Regionals

1) All regional level competition shall be at the site of the host school for the 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 game.

#### Sectionals

1) All sectional level competition shall be at the site of the host school of the Sectional tournament.

2) All shooting shall be conducted prior to the Sectional Championship at 5:30 p.m. The top (4) overall shooters will advance to the COUNTRY Financial Preliminaries at Carver Arena, Peoria Civic Center.

## VII. CONTEST RULES

### A. Three-Point Shooting Contest:

1) Each team entered in the boys' state tournament series may select and enter up to four (4) shooters. Only those shooters selected to compete in the competition the first

time in the boys' state tournament series shall be eligible to compete and advance in the three-point competition. Shooters will compete individually in the competition and their participation in the competition is independent from the advancement of the shooter's team in the boys' 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 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 respective preliminaries on Thursday 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 of 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 advance in correlated bracket order from the Regional Championship to the Sectional Championship of the Boys basketball tournament series regardless of the shooter's team advancement in the Boys 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

#### **C. Uniforms:**

1) All participants shall wear their official school team uniform, which shall be uniform jersey and 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.

#### **D. Balls:**

1) The Wilson Evolution WTB0516 basketball shall be used in the Three-Point Shooting Competition at the State Final.

### **VIII. CONTEST POLICIES**

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

### **IX. CONTEST AWARDS**

**A. King of the Hill Champion:** Awards will be presented to winner of the overall competition between the respective Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A winner in the Three-Point Shooting Contest.

**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 King of the Hill competition.

**C. Class 1A, 2A, 3A and 4A:** Awards will be presented to the three finalists in the Three-Point Shooting Contest who do not advance to the King 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. Three-Point Shooting:**

1) 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 floor officials.

2) Bench Officials for the COUNTRY Financial Three Point Showdown shall be appointed by IHSA in conjunction with the Illinois Coaches Association (ICA) and the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA).

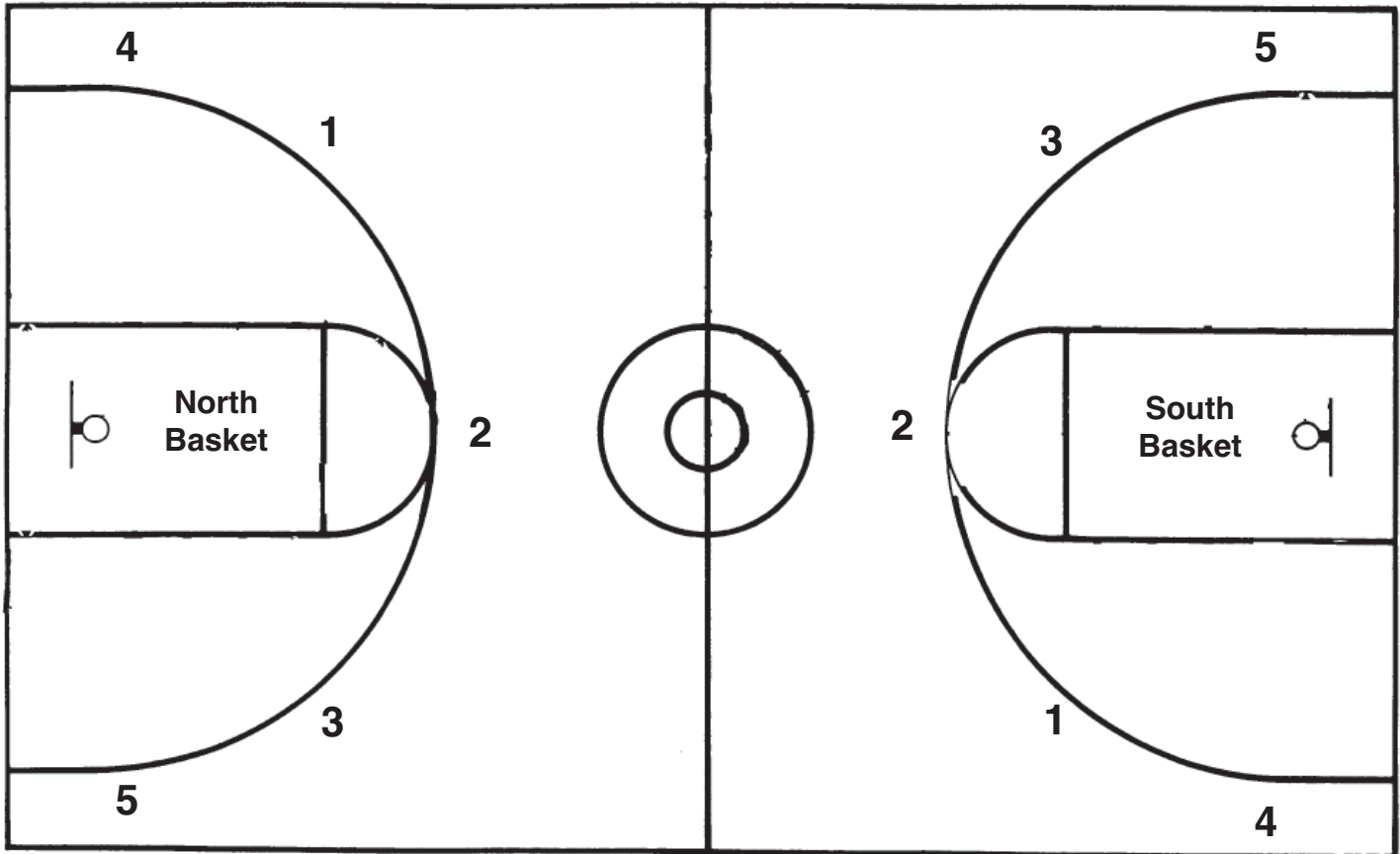
# Three-Point Shooting Positions

## Prelims

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

## Class Finals

1A - 4A — south basket  
King 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.