



2011-12 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 each day tournament games are played during the respective regional tournaments and sectional tournaments in the Girls state series.

2) The Class 1A and 2A Regional tournaments shall be held February 6-10 and the Sectional tournaments February 13-14 and 16.

3) **The Class 3A and 4A Regional shall be held February 13-17 and the Sectional tournaments will be February 20-21 and 23.**

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

1) February 23 – Three-Point Shooting Preliminaries on Thursday at Redbird Arena at 5:00 p.m.

2) February 24 – Cl. 1A Three-Point Shooting Finals on Friday at Redbird Arena between the Semifinal Games at approximately 1:45 p.m.

3) February 24 – Cl. 2A Three-Point Shooting Finals on Friday at Redbird Arena between the Semifinal Games at approximately 8:00 p.m.

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

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

3) March 2 – Cl. 4A Three-Point Shooting Finals on Friday at Redbird Arena between the Semifinal Games at approximately 8:00 p.m.

4) March 3 — 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 to the Local Manager at least ten (10) minutes prior to the start of the shooting competition before the school is scheduled to play its first game in the tournament series.

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 day the shooter is scheduled to participate, the opportunity to be accompanied by up to eight (8) 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) Single-Game Sessions:

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.

b) Doubleheaders: First game shooter's group procedure will be the same as for a single-game session. Second game shooter's group will be admitted at the pass gate shortly before the conclusion of the first game, 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.

3) Game Tickets: If tickets to the session are available, Regional and Sectional tournament managers may sell them to each shooter. An equal number of such tickets must be made available to each shooter competing in the respective session. Regional and Sectional tournament managers are not obligated to provide tickets to shooters who were previously eliminated from the competition.

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 2012 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 each night of the regional level in the tournament series and each night of the sectional level in the tournament series.

C. Competition in the Three-Point Shooting Contest will be conducted in the bracket order of the correlated tournament series games in the respective (Cl.1A, 2A, 3A and 4A) girls' state tournament series.

D. In two-game sessions, competition in the Three-Point Shooting Contest will be conducted in bracket order of the games in the Girls basketball tournament series as follows:

Game 1: Shooting for the eight (8) contestants assigned/advancing to this correlated game will take place prior to the first game of the session.

Game 2: Shooting for the eight (8) contestants assigned/advancing to this correlated game will take place immediately following the conclusion of the first game of the session.

E. Single-Game Session Time Schedule:

6:53 p.m. — Begin 3 minute warm-up for Three-Point Shooters scheduled to compete on scoreboard clock. After 3 minutes when clock reaches 0:00, horn sounds, warm-up concludes.

6:56-7:04 p.m. (Approx.) — Three-Point Shooting Competition.

7:04 p.m. (Approx.) — Three-Point Shooting awards and announcements.

7:05-7:10 p.m. (Approx.) — 5 minute break for coaches of shooters and competing teams to meet in dressing room for pre-game instructions.

7:10 p.m. (Approx.) — Start 15 minute pre-game warm-up on scoreboard clock.

7:25 p.m. (Approx.) — When 15 minute pre-game warm-up clock strikes 0:00, National Anthem.

7:27-7:30 p.m. (Approx.) — At conclusion of National Anthem, introduction of players and coaches.

7:30 p.m. (Approx.) — Game Tip-off.

F. Two-Game Session Time Schedule: First Game Timing

5:23 p.m. — Begin 3 minute warm-up for Three-Point shooters scheduled to compete prior to 1st game on scoreboard clock. After 3 minutes when clock reaches 0:00, horn sounds, warm-up concludes.

5:26-5:34 p.m. (Approx.) — Three-Point Shooting competition prior to 1st game.

5:34 p.m. (Approx.) — Three-Point Shooting awards and announcements prior to 1st game.

5:35-5:40 p.m. (Approx.) — 5 minute break for coaches of shooters and competing teams to meet in dressing room for pre-game instructions prior to 1st game.

5:40 p.m. (Approx.) — Start 15 minute pre-game warm-up for 1st game on scoreboard clock.

5:55 p.m. (Approx.) — When 15 minute pre-game warm-up clock strikes 0:00, National Anthem.

5:57-6:00 p.m. (Approx.) — At conclusion of National Anthem, introduction of players and coaches.

6:00 p.m. (Approx.) — 1st Game Tip-off.

7:30 p.m. (Approx.) — 1st Game concludes.

Second Game Timing

7:30-7:32 p.m. (Approx.) — Clear floor for Three-Point shooting warm-up prior to 2nd game.

7:32-7:35 p.m. (Approx.) — Begin 3 minute warm-up for Three-Point Shooters scheduled to compete prior to 2nd game.

7:35-7:44 p.m. (Approx.) — Three-Point Shooting competition prior to 2nd game of session.

7:45 p.m. (Approx.) — Three-Point Shooting awards and announcements for 2nd game of session.

7:45-7:50 p.m. (Approx.) — 5 minute break for coaches of shooters and competing teams to meet in dressing room for pre-game instructions prior to 2nd game of session.

7:50 p.m. (Approx.) — Start 15 minute pre-game warm-up for 2nd game on scoreboard clock.

8:05 p.m. (Approx.) — When 15 minute pre-game warm-up clock strikes 0:00, introduction of coaches and players

8:08 p.m. (Approx.) — 2nd 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) Shooters from teams having byes in the Girls tournament series will enter the Three-Point Shooting Competition at the time the school they represent competes in the tournament series for the first time.

3) Shooting shall be conducted and advancement of winners shall be in the bracket order of the Girls tournament series.

a) Quarterfinal Games: Shooters from the two teams scheduled to play a quarterfinal round game will shoot with the top four (4) qualifiers advancing to shoot prior to the correlated semifinal round game.

b) Semifinal Games: Advancing shooters from the correlated quarterfinal games will shoot with the top four (4) qualifiers advancing to shoot prior to the correlated championship game.

c) Championship Games: Advancing shooters from the correlated semifinal games will shoot with the top four (4) qualifiers advancing to shoot prior to the correlated sectional semifinal game. If shooters have questions about where their correlated sectional site is they can ask the regional manager or check the IHSA website.

Sectionals

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

2) Shooting shall be conducted and advancement of winners shall be in the bracket order of the tournament series.

a) Semifinal Games:

Advancing shooters from the correlated regionals will shoot with the top four (4) qualifiers advancing to shoot prior to the correlated championship game.

b) Championship Games:

a) Class 1A and 2A - Advancing shooters from the correlated Semifinal games will shoot with the top four (4) qualifiers advancing to the Three-Point Shooting Preliminaries on Thursday, February 23 at Redbird Arena. b) Class 3A and 4A - Advancing shooters from the correlated semifinal games will shoot with the top four (4) qualifiers advancing to the Three-Point Shooting Preliminaries on Thursday, March 1 at Redbird Arena.

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 the school participates 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 preceding the start of warm-ups for each shooting competition at the regional. 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 their assigned day will not be allowed to compete on a different day of the tournament. 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 preceding the start of warm-ups for each shooting competition at the sectional. 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 their assigned day will not be allowed to compete on a different day of the tournament. 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 advance in correlated bracket order of the Girls basketball tournament series games 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 Baden Perfection Elite™ BX6E 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 shall be appointed by IHSA in conjunction with the Illinois Coaches Association (ICA) and the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association (IBCA).

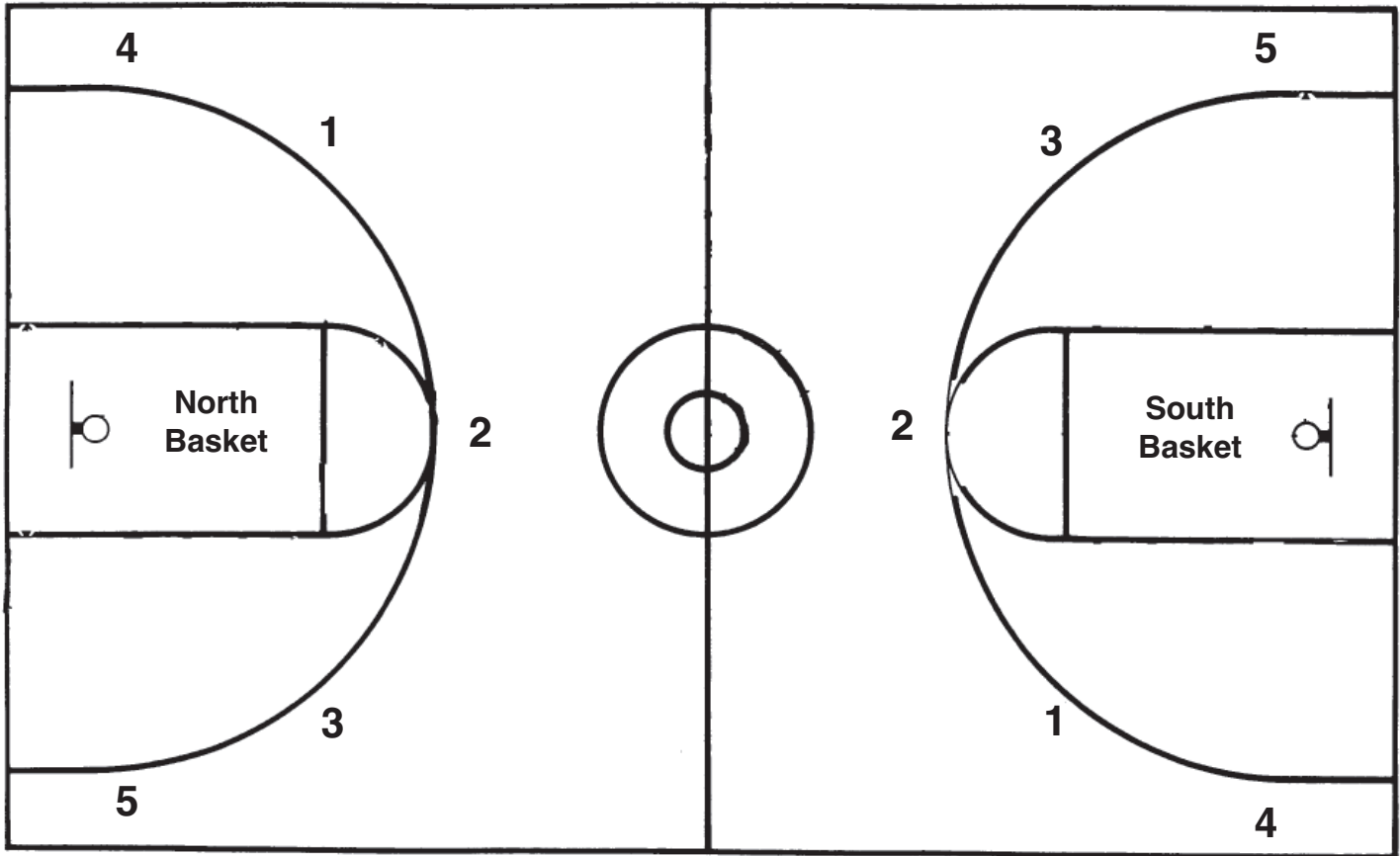
Three-Point Shooting Positions

Prelims

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

Class Finals

- 1A & 3A — south basket
- 2A & 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.