

FIXED FLIGHT SCORING

an

**ALTERNATIVE SCORING
SYSTEM**

for

NOVELTY SHOOTS

Fixed Flight Scoring A Year Later

Fixed Flight was designed to address several issues affecting our current scoring system. For over 80 to 90 percent of shooters (A Class), there is no change, however, in B & C Classes, shooters are guaranteed that they can compete for awards at their proficiency level. In fact, awards in B or C Classes no longer go to those shooters who turn in A Class scores (sandbaggers).

There are only 3 things actually required for Fixed Flight Scoring: 1) a scoreboard, 2) a competitor (archer), and 3) a Fixed Flight Quick Guide. Actual scoring is quick and easy, provided you prepare in advance by posting the breaking score levels for B & C Classes directly onto your scoreboard below the style. Example:

BHFS
B 823 / C 738

Then, it's easy to determine A, B & C class winners (A Class is always the top three scores). Some try posting scores, first, to computers or tablets; this only delays the process – except when using computer banner paper.

Some argue that they want to keep a record of the tournament, and that's great – but post the scores to the scoreboard first, close out the specific styles, and issue the awards. If you want a record of the event, copy the scoreboard. It's much easier.

This past year, seven clubs used Fixed Flight with good results, however, occasionally you run into an individual who does not like the system. The response is simple, “*What's not to like about a system that's fair to all levels of shooters?*” Fixed Flight is a CBH approved alternative scoring system for novelty tournaments.

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Why is another scoring system necessary?

Currently we use two scoring systems on novelty shoots, our handicap and flight systems. The flight system is too cumbersome, taking too much time to formulate at the end of tournaments, and does not recognize the skill level of archers. The handicap system's abuse has reached unacceptable level. Sandbagging and cheating have all but destroyed the integrity of the system making it necessary to consider other options. Seldom do B and C shooters have an opportunity to participate in the awards process as awards are going to A class scores.

What is CIBA asking of CBH?

CIBA is asking CBH and its regions, to evaluate over the next six months the Fixed Flight System. If it does what it claims to do, approve the system as an option to scoring novelty shoots and put the system on its web site for others to use.

CIBA has spent the past 12 months working on, and making adjustments to the system to insure its effectiveness as an alternative. Used in 5 tournaments this past year acceptance by participants has been unanimous. Comments range from "Its about time" to " What took so long".

FIXED FLIGHT SCORING

(924, 1320 & 1540)

California Inland Bowhunters Association (CIBA) introduces the **Fixed Flight Scoring System**.

There are three flights, fixed at proficiency levels, thus traditional grades are used in creating Flights A, B and C. A minimum participation score has been established in the various shooting styles (except Cubs) to insure that below average shooters don't participate in the awards process. These minimums are very liberal.

Positive points-

1. Easy for host clubs to score at the end of tournaments as Flight levels are pre-set
2. Stops sandbagging
3. Makes it difficult to cheat
4. Stops the manipulation of handicap cards
5. Upgrades proficiency standards to today's levels
6. Insures that B & C shooters participate in awards at B & C levels
7. Does not change any existing NFAA styles or shoot rules.
8. Can be easily adapted for 2 and 3 day shoots i.e.: 924 (42 or 28); 1540 (25, 25, 20) (42, 28) or 1320 (40, 20) Can be adapted for any tournament, even 560 rounds
9. System recognizes the shooters skill level

FIXED FLIGHT 924 Scoring Quick Guide

Male	Adult/ Master Senior Senior/ Young Adult	Female
FS-M; B 844 C 765-* 650		FS-F; B793 C 719-*600
FSL-M; B 821 C 681-*600		FSL-F; B 775 C 673-*554
BB-M; B 775 C 669-*570		BB-F; B 710 C 627-*546
	Adult/Senior	
FSBH-M; B 823 C 738-*646		FSBH-F; B 775 C 692-*601
FSBHL-M; B 802 C 719-*635		FSBHL-F; B 755 C 508-*489
BH-M; B 755 C 669-*570		BH-F; B 710 C 627-*526
	Youth	
FS-M; B 830 C 756-*640		FS-F; B784 C 710-*591
FSL-M; B 802 C 664-*580		FSL-F; B 764 C 655-*550
BB-M; B 755 C 669-*570		BB-F; B 710 C 627-*546
	Cub	
FS-M; B 822 C 665		FS-F; B 739 C 572
FSL-M; B 813 C 637		FSL-F; B 729 C 563
BB-M; B 637 C 388		BB-F; B 637 C 388

FIXED FLIGHT 1320 Scoring Quick Guide

Male	Adult/ Master Senior Senior/ Young Adult	Female
FS-M; B 1200 C 1094-*924		FS-F; B1134 C 1028-*858
FSL-M; B 1173 C 975-*858		FSL-F; B 1107 C 896-*792
BB-M; B 1081 C 962-*818		BB-F; B 1017 C 896-*778
	Adult/Senior	
FSBH-M; B 1173 C 1055-*920		FSBH-F; B 1107 C 989-*858
FSBHL-M; B 1147 C 1028-*910		FSBHL-F; B 1081 C 883-*699
BH-M; B1081 C 962-*818		BH-F; B 1015 C 896-*752

Youth

FS-M; B 1173 C 1081-*910

FSL-M; B 1147 C 949-*844

BB-M; B 755 C 669-*570

FS-F; B 1121 C 1015-*844

FSL-F; B 1094 C 936-*792

BB-F; B 710 C 627-*546

Cub

FS-M; B 1174 C 936

FSL-M; B 1160 C 923

BB-M; B 909 C 553

FS-F; B1055 C 817

FSL-F; B 1041 C 804

BB-F; B 909 C 553

**FIXED FLIGHT
1540 Scoring Quick Guide**

Male

**Adult/ Master Senior
Senior/ Young Adult**

Female

FS-M; B 1400 C 1277-*1078

FSL-M; B 1369 C 1138-*1001

BB-M; B 1261 C 1123-*954

FS-F; B793 C 719-*600

FSL-F; B 1292 C 1123-*908

BB-F; B 1184 C 1046-*808

Adult/Senior

FSBH-M; B 1369 C 1210-*1078

FSBHL-M; B 1338 C 1200-*1062

BH-M; B 1261 C 1123-*954

FSBH-F; B 1308 C 1154-*1008

FSBHL-F; B 1292 C 1030-*816

BH-F; B 1184 C 1046-*908

Youth

FS-M; B 1385 C 1261-*1062

FSL-M; B 1338 C 1007-*970

BB-M; B 1261 C 1123-*954

FS-F; B 1308 C 1184-*985

FSL-F; B 1276 C 1092-*924

BB-F; B1184 C 1046-*908

Cub

FS-M; B 1385 C 1107

FSL-M; B 1369 C 1077

BB-M; B 1077 C 661

FS-F; B 1246 C 969

FSL-F; B 1231 C 969

BB-F; B 1077 C 661

* Minimum score required to participate in awards (cubs and traditional have no minimums)

Note: Only one flight for Long Bow and Recurve

Remember: There is no need to pre-post A Flight as winners are the top three participants in that shooting style (except where scores fall to Flight B & C levels.)

FIXED FLIGHT 924 SCORING

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Style	Men's %	Women's %	Tier	Men Scores	Women Scores	Age Groups
FS	100	100	A	924-845	924-794	Adult Master Senior Senior & Young Adult
	90.9	85.9	B	844-766	793-720	
	82.9	77.9	C	765-650	719-600	
FSL	100	100	A	924-822	924-776	
	88.9	83.9	B	821-682	775-674	
	73.9	72.9	C	681-600	673-554	
BB	100	100	A	924-756	924-711	
	81.9	76.9	B	755-670	710-628	
	72.9	67.9	C	669-570	627-546	
FSBH	100	100	A	924-824	924-776	Adult & Senior
	88.9	83.9	B	823-739	775-693	
	79.9	74.9	C	738-646	692-601	
FSBHL	100	100	A	924-803	924-756	
	86.9	81.9	B	802-720	755-609	
	77.9	66.9	C	719-635	608-489	
BH	100	100	A	924-756	924-711	
	81.9	76.9	B	755-670	710-628	
	72.9	67.9	C	669-570	627-526	
Trad Recurve	One Class					
Trad Long Bow	One Class					
FS	100	100	A	924-831	924-785	Youth
	88.9	84.9	B	830-757	784-711	
	81.9	76.9	C	756-640	710-591	
FSL	100	100	A	924-803	924-765	
	86.9	82.9	B	802-665	764-656	
	71.9	70.9	C	664-580	655-550	
BB	100	100	A	924-756	924-711	
	81.9	76.9	B	755-670	710-628	
	72.9	67.9	C	669-570	627-526	
FS	100	100	A	924-823	924-740	Cubs
	89	80	B	822-656	739-573	
	71	62	C	655-*	572-*	
FSL	100	100	A	924-814	924-730	
	88	79	B	813-638	729-564	
	69	61	C	637-*	563-*	
BB	100	100	A	924-638	924-638	
	69	69	B	637-389	637-389	
	42	42	C	388-*	388-*	

* No minimums for Cubs

FS - Freestyle
 FSL - Freestyle Limited
 BB - Barebow
 FSBHL - Freestyle Bowhunter Limited
 FSBH - Freestyle Bowhunter
 BH - Bowhunters
 Trad RC - Traditional Recurve
 Trad LB - Traditional Longbow

ADULTS - 18 years of age & over
 YOUNG ADULT - 15 to 17 years old
 YOUTH - 12 to 14 years old
 CUB - 11 years old & under

Young Adult, Youth & Cubs -
 If you use sights & release, you shoot Freestyle
 If you use sights & fingers, you shoot Freestyle Limited
 If you do not use any sights, you shoot Barebow

FIXED FLIGHT 1540 Scoring

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Style	Men's %	Women's %	Tier	Men Scores	Women Scores	Age Groups
FS	100	100	A	1540-1401	1540-1323	Adult Master Senior Senior & Young Adult
	90.9	85.9	B	1400-1278	1322-1201	
	82.9	77.9	C	1277-1078	1200-1001	
FSL	100	100	A	1540-1370	1540-1293	
	88.9	83.9	B	1369-1139	1292-1124	
	73.9	72.9	C	1138-1001	1123-908	
BB	100	100	A	1540-1262	1540-1185	
	81.9	76.9	B	1261-1124	1184-1047	
	72.9	67.9	C	1123-954	1046-908	
FSBH	100	100	A	1540-1370	1540-1309	Adult & Senior
	88.9	84.9	B	1369-1211	1308-1155	
	79.9	74.9	C	1210-1078	1154-1008	
FSBHL	100	100	A	1540-1339	1540-1293	
	86.9	83.9	B	1338-1201	1292-1031	
	77.9	66.9	C	1200-1062	1030-816	
BH	100	100	A	1540-1262	1540-1185	
	81.9	76.9	B	1261-1124	1184-1047	
	72.9	67.9	C	1123-954	1046-908	
Trad Recurve	One Class					
Trad Long Bow	One Class					
FS	100	100	A	1540-1386	1540-1309	Youth
	88.9	84.9	B	1385-1262	1308-1185	
	81.9	76.9	C	1261-1062	1184-985	
FSL	100	100	A	1540-1339	1540-1277	
	86.9	82.9	B	1338-1008	1276-1093	
	71.9	70.9	C	1007-970	1092-924	
BB	100	100	A	1540-1262	1540-1185	
	81.9	76.9	B	1261-1124	1184-1047	
	72.9	67.9	C	1123-954	1046-908	
FS	100	100	A	1540-1386	1540-1247	Cubs
	89.9	80.9	B	1385-1108	1246-970	
	71.9	62.9	C	1107-*	969-*	
FSL	100	100	A	1540-1370	1540-1232	
	88.9	79.9	B	1369-1078	1231-970	
	69.9	61.9	C	1077-*	969-*	
BB	100	100	A	1540-1078	1540-1078	
	69.9	69.9	B	1077-662	1077-662	
	42.9	42.9	C	661-*	661-*	

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FIXED FLIGHT 1320 SCORING

rev 2/08

Style	Men's %	Women's %	Tier	Men Scores	Women Scores	Age Groups
FS	100	100	A	1320-1201	1320-1135	Adult Master Senior Senior & Young Adult
	90.9	85.9	B	1200-1095	1134-1029	
	82.9	77.9	C	1094-924	1028-858	
FSL	100	100	A	1320-1174	1320-1108	
	88.9	83.9	B	1173-976	1107-897	
	73.9	72.9	C	975-858	896-792	
BB	100	100	A	1320-1082	1320-1016	
	81.9	76.9	B	1081-963	1017-897	
	72.9	67.9	C	962-818	896-778	
FSBH	100	100	A	1320-1174	1320-1108	Adult & Senior
	88.9	83.9	B	1173-1056	1107-990	
	79.9	74.9	C	1055-920	989-858	
FSBHL	100	100	A	1320-1148	1320-1082	
	86.9	81.9	B	1147-1029	1081-884	
	77.9	66.9	C	1028-910	883-699	
BH	100	100	A	1320-1082	1320-1016	
	81.9	76.9	B	1081-963	1015-897	
	72.9	67.9	C	962-818	896-752	
Trad Recurve	One Class					
Trad Long Bow	One Class					
FS	100	100	A	1320-1174	1320-1122	Youth
	88.9	84.9	B	1173-1082	1121-1016	
	81.9	76.9	C	1081-910	1015-844	
FSL	100	100	A	1320-1148	1320-1095	
	86.9	82.9	B	1147-950	1094-937	
	71.9	70.9	C	949-844	936-792	
BB	100	100	A	1320-1082	1320-1016	
	81.9	76.9	B	1081-963	1017-897	
	72.9	67.9	C	962-818	896-778	
FS	100	100	A	1320-1175	1320-1056	Cubs
	89	80	B	1174-937	1055-818	
	71	62	C	936-*	817-*	
FSL	100	100	A	1320-1161	1320-1042	
	88	79	B	1160-924	1041-805	
	69	61	C	923-*	804-*	
BB	100	100	A	1320-910	1320-910	
	69	69	B	909-554	909-554	
	42	42	C	553-*	553-*	

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Fixed Flight, 924 Scoring

Example

FS			FSBH		
Name	Score		Name	Score	
Shooter	844-765-650		Shooter	823-738-646	
"	894		"	860	
"	870		"	870	
"	902	A-2	"	832	
"	794		"	820	B-1st
"	812	B-3	"	757	
"	767		"	720	
"	840	B-1	"	680	C-2nd
"	835	B-2	"	896	A-1st
"	847		"	553	
"	862		"	694	C-1st
"	910	A-1	"	790	B-3rd
"	896	A-3	"	876	
"	889		"	889	A-3rd
"	876		"	894	A-2nd
"	790		"	862	
"	694	C-1	"	847	
"	593		"	835	
"	651	C-2	"	767	
"	450		"	794	B-2nd

Step one: List the style at the top of the column

Step two: Record all the shooters names in the column under that style

Step three: At the top of the score column list the cut off scores for B, C, and the minimum that can be shot in that style. Remember it is not necessary to list the A scores because they are the three highest possible. List all shooters' scores

Step four: Locate and list the winners in all Flights (A, B and C) and give out awards.

Note: There was no 3rd place shooter in C Flight. Those who shot below the cut off were not eligible for awards.

Questions & Answers

- Q. What is the problem with the current handicap system?
- A. Currently, the CBH/SAA system does not require formal certification of class, nor does it have the checks and balances needed to create a fair playing field for competitors, plus the scores are too low for current events.
- Q. How much will change using this new system?
- A. Very little. The only change will be that awards will actually be determined by how well you shoot in each flight (A,B or C).
- Q. Will this system result in the loss of shooters?
- A. No. Our two test tournaments revealed support for the change has been unanimous. Once participants realize that awards are now going to those that actually deserve them, shooters will look forward to a chance to win or place at their level.
- Q. Won't this create more ribbons and awards?
- A. Not really. We have run a couple of scenarios of 250 shooters in the various flights, and in some cases you may give out 3 to 4 more ribbons, in others less.
- Q. If all competitors in each style are listed in the same column, how do you keep the flights separated? It seems confusing.
- A. Score keepers, from the score of each shooter, can identify their class, and then their placement by using different control keys such as A-1, B-1 etc; (see example).
- Q. I am a "B Shooter" now, but when I shoot really well (i.e.; A score), I can't win in the B flight under this system.
- A. True. You shot an "A" score! Take pride in the fact that you're getting better, and set your goal to win in A class.
- Q. What keeps a person from trying to manipulate this system?
- A. Pride. Persons used to winning in B or C classes by turning in A class scores are not going to turn in lower scores just to stay within a lower flight. It would also be very difficult to manage one's score throughout a tournament to come up with the winning score in B or C flight. Winning usually comes down to the last arrow.
- Q. Does this system replace the current system.
- A. No. It is not the intent of this body to mandate change to any club or organization. Our goal has been to find a better way of addressing the current scoring issues involved in our sport.

Its been said that regardless of what we do sandbaggers and cheaters will always win, so why change!!!!!! This is just not true. Complacency, because change takes effort, is the real enemy. This is the best improvement to our sport's scoring system to be suggested in the past 15 year. Change can be good, it only take a little effort.

Summation

Fixed Flight is being proposed as an **alternative** scoring system. No one is advocating the mandatory use of the system, but rather offers it as an option to those clubs who are tired of seeing the abuse.