

# **CANADIAN NATIONAL AXE THROWING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018**

## *Competition Format & Rules*

### Overview

The 2018 Canadian National Axe Throwing Championships will be a two-day, tournament style competition testing competitors abilities in throwing double-bitted axes.

There will be a Men's and Women's Division with Overall Champions awarded to each division and prize money awarded to competitors who make it to day two by placing in the top 20 for the Men's Division or Top 10 for the Women's Division.

### **1. RULES**

- 1.1 Contestant must take the one mandatory practice throw at the competitive target, followed by 5 counting throws.
- 1.2 Event will be scored 5,4,3,2, and 1 from the bullseye out.
- 1.3 Axe needs only to cut outer edge of line of scoring area to win points with any part of the leading edge.
  - 1.3.1 Axe may be backed out of the target by the judge to determine if the leading edge broke through the higher scoring ring.
- 1.4 Axe must stick in target to count.
- 1.5 The leading edge of the axe shall be the only scoring edge.
- 1.6 Axe must make one full rotation to count.
- 1.7 If both edges of axe stick in target, throw is disqualified.
- 1.8 Foot/feet may not step beyond the throwing line until the axe hits the target
  - 1.8.1 If competitors steps beyond the line before the axe hits the target that throw will receive zero points

- 1.9 Competitor may not retrieve his/her axe until the judge has scored the throw.
- 1.10 Judging must be done and scored before axe is removed.
- 1.11 Practicing on competitive targets is prohibited and may result in disqualification from the tournament.

## **2. EQUIPMENT / MATERIAL SPECIFICATIONS**

- 2.1 Axe must have a 24 inch (~60cm) minimum overall length handle, including axe head, and the face of the leading edge shall not exceed 6 inches (~15cm)
- 2.2 Throwing axes must be double bitted, have four points and be reasonably symmetrical as per the judge's discretion
- 2.3 Bullseye will be 2 inches (~5cm) in diameter with 5 scoring areas 2 inches (~5cm) in width.
- 2.4 Throwing line 20 ft (~6m) from the target

## **3. COMPETITON FORMAT**

### ***Day 1 (August 25):***

- 3.1 Registered competitors will have access to practice targets throughout the competition, beginning at 9am, and be given time to warm up prior to their scheduled heat
- 3.2 Competitors will be scheduled in heats of up to 6 throwers at a time and must be prepared to throw in your assigned heat. Substitutions are only allotted at the head judge's discretion and may result in a disqualification from the tournament if last minute substitutions hinder the flow of the event.
- 3.3 Competitors will throw four (4) rounds of five (5) throws obtaining a score out of a maximum 100 points in the qualifying round.
  - 3.3.1 Throwers will shift to the target to their right for the their second round. Thrower on furthest target to the right in first round will circle back to position 1 target for their second round of qualifying throws.
  - 3.3.2 Throwers will throw two (2) rounds of five (5) throws in the morning/early afternoon, followed by a break, then throw two more rounds of five throws in mid/late afternoon
- 3.4 Top 20 qualifying scores for Men's Division and Top 10 qualifying scores for Women's Division will advance to Sunday's Final and will be announced immediately following final round of throwing
  - 3.4.1 If there are tied scores for final paying place in the Men's (20<sup>th</sup> place) or Women's Division (10<sup>th</sup> place) finals, ties will be broken with a 3-throw sudden-death throw-off

**Day 2 (August 26):**

3.5 FINALS FORMAT :

- 3.5.1 Round 1 (Men's Quarter Final, Women's Semi Final) - Qualifying competitors will throw 2 rounds of 5 throws for a total score out of 50; top 12 men advance to Semi Final, top 6 women advance to WOMEN'S FINAL
- 3.5.2 Round 2 (Men's Semi Final) – 2 rounds of five (5) throws, Top 6 men advance to MEN'S FINAL
- 3.5.3 Round 3 (CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL) – Top 6 Men & Top 6 Women each throw two rounds of five (5) throws, best score in this round for each division is **2018 Canadian National Champion**
  - 3.5.3.1 Any/All ties in the Finals rounds on day 2 will be broken with a 3-throw sudden death throw-off
  - 3.5.3.2 Any/All ties for Bonus payouts to be broken with a 3-throw sudden death throw-off