



**NATIONAL ARCHERY IN THE SCHOOLS PROGRAM
BASIC ARCHERY INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION
FACT SHEET**



When are the training sessions offered?

We schedule Basic Archery Instructor (BAI) training sessions upon request. Contact Melissa with a date that works for your staff and she will double check our calendar for availability.

Where are they held?

We can come to you! We need a dedicated space that is at least 30 feet x 50 feet with no other activities occurring during the day. Most often, we hold trainings in a school gym. We can also run training sessions in a multi-purpose room or outdoor space. Ideally, we should hold the training where you are going to run your archery range for the students.

How long is the training session?

Approximately 7 hours. We can run the training session to coincide with your normal school hours.

Is there a minimum/maximum group size?

Minimum group size is 5. If your school has less than 5 people to get trained, we can have them join a training session at another school or try to recruit additional teachers from local schools. Ideal maximum group size is 10. We can accommodate larger groups by setting up multiple archery ranges, if space allows. *All upcoming training dates are now listed online at www.naspbai.org if you are interested in joining a training session at another school.*

How much does it cost?

It's free! NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife instructs the training session for free. We also provide the training materials to schools free of charge. Non-schools that want to participate in NASP (for example, summer camps or scout groups) must purchase a \$40 training packet for each participant. Contact Melissa for the order form.

What about equipment?

NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife will bring all of the equipment needed for the training session. You then have the option to borrow a free loaner kit from NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife on a short-term basis or purchase a kit for your school for approximately \$3000. Many schools borrow equipment for the first year, then budget to purchase a kit the following year. Please contact Wayne Tonnesen at Wayne.Tonnesen@dep.state.nj.us for equipment questions.

How long does the certification last?

As long as you actively teach NASP at some point during the school year, the certification does not expire. If you are inactive for more than a year, you need to attend another BAI training session to become re-certified.

**Contact Melissa Woerner at Melissa.Woerner@dep.state.nj.us
to set up a training date!**