

# ARCHERS & BOWHUNTERS ASSOCIATION OF MANITOBA

## BOWHUNTER OF THE YEAR

- For Bowhunter of the year award, senior male and female (age 18 and over as of January 1<sup>st</sup>), a minimum of two species must be taken.
- For Bowhunter of the year award, junior male and female (ages 12 to 17 as of January 1<sup>st</sup>), only one species is needed.
- Each animal entered must be accompanied with the hunter's tag number and tags are not transferable.
- Animals taken in the rifle season using archery equipment may be entered.
- In the event that a hunter harvests two bucks, one in the archery season and one in the rifle season, the largest animal may be entered.
- Only one animal from each species may be entered with the following point system in effect:

<b>SPECIES</b>	<b>PTS</b>	
◆ <b>TURKEY</b>	200 PTS	TOM OR HEN
◆ <b>BEAR</b>	200 PTS	PLUS 2 POINTS FOR EVERY 1/16" OVER 16"
◆ <b>DOE</b>	200 POINTS	ONLY ONE DOE ENTRY
◆ <b>DEER (TYPICAL)</b>	200 POINTS	OR DOUBLE THE SCORE OF ANTLERS
◆ <b>DEER (NON-TYPICAL)</b>	200 POINTS	OR DOUBLE THE SCORE OF ANTLERS
◆ <b>ELK</b>	200 POINTS	OR SCORE OF ANTLERS
◆ <b>MOOSE</b>	200 POINTS	OR DOUBLE THE SCORE OF ANTLERS
◆ <b>CARIBOU</b>	200 POINTS	OR SCORE OF ANTLERS

All animals must be taken under the rules of fair chase. The term "Fair Chase" shall not include animals taken under the following conditions.

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| a) helpless in or because of deep snow                            | b) helpless in water   |
| c) helpless on ice  | d) helpless in a trap  |
| e) while confined (game farms etc.)                               | f) by jack lighting    |
| f) from any powered vehicle                                       | h) no dogs may be used |
| i) any other method the board of directors deems unsportsmanlike. |                        |

All animals must be taken within the boundaries of Manitoba.

All animals must be taken according to date and season where game was hunted.

All members must abide by all wildlife regulations.

All animals entered must be taken with no other means than the bow and arrow.

All animals taken must be entered by the end of February of the next year.

No heads will be measured until after 60 days of the date of kill.

All application forms must be signed by one witness who was present at the time of kill or who viewed the carcass.

Any animal taken before the annual membership fees are paid will not be eligible for any award or points.

Only ABAM members qualify for Bowhunter of the year awards.

An animal is eligible for any award only when recovered before the search by the hunter was abandoned and all other procedures were carried out in full, (tagging etc.). If the animal was not recovered within 24 hours a letter of explanation must accompany the entry form and the board of directors will decide if animal is eligible for awards.

All entry forms should be sent to the Bowhunting Coordinator/ABAM and he will make arrangements for all heads that require scoring or send a photocopy of your official score sheet.

All entries will receive an animal award pin.

*GOOD LUCK*