

# 2021 Missouri State Championships

## Singles Entry Information

1. Open to current Missouri residents who are 2021 NHPA members.
2. **Entry Requirements:** All Adult pitchers (All Classes) will be placed into the tournament according to their eShoes average as known August 9, 2021. eShoes must show participation in at least one sanctioned event. A sanctioned league average of 400 shoes or more is considered an event. **Juniors or Cadets** require only one sanctioned event listed in eShoes by August 9, 2021. For 2021 ONLY pitchers unable to qualify with one sanctioned event can qualify as a new pitcher in accordance with paragraph 3.
3. **New Pitchers:** Persons who have been NHPA and MOHPA members for a total of 2 years or less and who haven't previously participated in a Missouri State Tournament may be seeded by one of the following methods: (a) Average from any sanctioned events that have been completed. (b) A current sanctioned league average of 400 shoes or more (must be verified in writing by the league director). (c) 200 consecutive qualifying shoes (100 for juniors and 50 for cadets). Qualifying shoes must be scored by <sup>one</sup> NHPA members who must sign the score sheet. The score sheet must be submitted with the entry form.
4. **Entry Information:** You must use the official entry form or a copy. **Adult entry fee: \$35 (This includes scorekeeping fees). Juniors or Cadets: No entry fee.** Make checks payable to MOHPA. Mail entries to Jim Bainter, 4101 NE 94th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64156. **Entries must be received by August 9, 2021. Late entries will be placed on standby.** Have questions? Call 816-918-6789 or email horseshoepitcher2001@gmail.com. **No refunds will be made after the tournament line-up is on our website.**
5. **Six Divisions Available (circle only one on the entry form).** **Open Men:** Adult men of any age who pitch 40 ft. **Women:** All adult women. **Men's 30':** Elder men 70 years of age or older, and men with medical exemptions who pitch less than 40 ft. **Junior Boys:** Age 18 years or younger for the entire calendar year. **Junior Girls:** Age 18 years or younger for the entire calendar year. **Cadets:** Youths age 12 years or under for the entire calendar year who observe the 20-ft. foul line.
6. **Classes:** Eight-person round-robins when possible. All games will be cancellation scoring. Length of games as set by the tournament committee. All games are subject to NHPA and MOHPA rules. Judges decisions will be final.
7. **Pitchers** who do not complete their schedule forfeit all prizes unless officially excused.
8. All **Pitchers** must wear a shirt with at least their last name lettered neatly on the back.
9. **Junior Pitchers:** Pay scorekeeper \$1 before the start of each game. **Cadets:** No charge.
10. **Prize Fund:** \$12 of each entry fee. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three places in each adult class.
11. **Trophies:** Furnished by the hosts to the top three places in each class. All juniors and cadets will receive awards. A traveling trophy is awarded to adult division champs and junior boy and girl champs.
12. **The schedule** will be on our website. Schedule letters will be mailed only if the MOHPA Secretary does not have an e-mail on record.
13. **Courts:** Up to 32 indoor courts will be used.

## Doubles Entry Information

1. **For Adults Only** and limited to the first 128 entries received, or a lesser number divisible by 16. Entries that do not make the cut will be put on standby. Those who do not get to play will have their entry fee refunded. Doubles will be played Friday, August 3, 2021, starting at 10:00 am. **There will be a lunch break.**
2. **Entry Requirements:** Same as for the Singles, except using MO Stats averages instead of eShoes.
3. **Entry Information:** Use the official entry form. **Entry fee: \$35 (includes scorekeeping).** Make checks payable to MOHPA. Mail entries to Jim Bainter, 4101 NE 94th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64156. **Entries must be received by August 9, 2021. Late entries will be placed on standby. No refunds will be made for cancellations after the tournament lineup is posted on our website.**
4. **Shirt Requirements:** Same as Singles.
5. **Format:** Walking Doubles. You pitch your own horseshoes. Partners are paired by dividing the list of entrants into classes of 16 persons by their entering averages. The top 16 form the Championship class, the next 16 Class A, and so on. In each class, #1 will be paired with #16, #2 with #15, and so on.
6. **Prizes:** Cash to the top three places in each class. Plaques to the top three places in each class.
7. **The schedule** will be available on our website. Schedule letters will be mailed only if requested when entering. The doubles lineup is always subject to change as cancellations occur. **NOTE – No changes will be posted on the MOHPA.US website.**