



2026 Big Buck World Championship Online Qualifying Rules and Regulations

General Contest Rules

For questions about the rules, please contact coinupsupport@playmechanix.com.

Game

All qualifying tournaments for the 2026 Big Buck World Championship will be played on participating online Big Buck Hunter® Reloaded machines, which can be found at www.bigbuckhunter.com/.

Eligibility

Players must use their legal identity to participate in any tournament. The name that the player uses on the game must match that player's name on his/her Photo I.D. If a player uses a fake name, that player will be deleted from the tournament and all players ranked below will move up the leaderboard.

- All participants must be at least 18 years old.
- International players must have a valid passport.
- No employees of Play Mechanix™, Inc., Raw Thrills™, Inc., or Betson Enterprises engaged in active development and testing of Big Buck Hunter may participate.
- Play Mechanix™ adheres to any State and/or Federal Laws that prohibit participation in such contests.

The contest judges reserve the right to disqualify or refuse entrance to any participant for any reason including, but not limited to, unsportsmanlike conduct, cheating, or unfair play. All contest judges' rulings shall be final.

Fair Play

All players must achieve a winning score solely through their personal effort and skill, without the assistance of another party, or by cheating in any manner. Fair play is essential to the success of all tournaments. During the course of the tournaments, if there are any signs of cheating, foul play, or any other unfair act, the player(s) involved will be disqualified from the tournament. The contest judges will make the final decision and all decisions are final and cannot be disputed.

Travel Release

Transportation, lodging, and any other expense that a player may incur while attending any of the Big Buck Tournaments will be paid for by the player. Play Mechanix™, Raw Thrills™, or Betson Enterprises will not be held responsible for the player's travel. Participants agree to release and hold harmless the aforementioned companies from any loss, harm or damage that may happen to the player or to the player's property during travel to or from the tournaments or during the activity of the tournaments.



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Big Buck Qualifier Series

The 2025 Big Buck Qualifier Series (BBQS) comprises competition within all treks of all animal adventure. Players will enter by playing the Big Buck Pro game mode. The 6 best scores (3 gun and 3 bow) within each trek will be combined into an overall score, with all scores contributing into a cumulative score.

Dates

Online qualifying will run from November 1st 2025 to September 7th 2026.

Qualifying will open and close at 6am UTC.

Qualifying specifically ends at 2026-09-08 06:00:00 UTC.

Qualifying Spots

There will be 128 players worldwide that qualify for the World Championship. 64 players will qualify by skill, while 64 will qualify as wildcards.

Big Buck Pro



The goal within each trek is to shoot the highest possible score. The player's 3 best gun scores and 3 best bow scores for that trek will be combined into a single total trek score. Additional plays will always reflect the best scores.

Skill Leaderboard

The total score (the combined 3 best gun and 3 best bow scores) from all treks will be combined into an overall skill score. The player with the highest overall score will rank 1st on the main leaderboard. The top 64 players on the main leaderboard will qualify for the World Championship.

Tie Breaker

Within each trek, average accuracy will be used as the first tie breaker. The average accuracy will be calculated by averaging the accuracy earned during the 6 best games (3 gun and 3 bow). If a player within a tournament ties the score of a player, the player with the higher average accuracy (displayed on the leaderboard at bigbuckhunter.com) will take the higher rank. If players tie in Overall Score on the main leaderboard, the tiebreaker will be the player's average of the average accuracy from each of the treks. If players are also tied on their average accuracy, then the next tie breaker will be the average bucks killed, followed by the average number of trophies killed.

Wildcard Leaderboard

The wildcard leaderboard will rank all players in order of their overall cumulative score. That means every score from every trek will be added together to create the overall cumulative score. The top 64 players on the wildcard leaderboard will qualify for the World Championship.



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RSVP Check-in

Beginning after the end of the qualifiers, the online RSVP process will begin. All qualifying players and potential alternates must visit www.bigbuckhunter.com to reserve their place. Click the 'check in' button and follow all steps. **All qualifying players must RSVP to reserve their spot in the World Championship. Any qualifier that does not RSVP will forfeit their qualifying spot.** It is imperative that qualifying players RSVP. If you can not attend, you should not check in. If you do check in, but can no longer attend, please contact us to release your spot.

IF YOU DO NOT RSVP, YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP!

Alternates

If a player that qualifies for the World Championship can not attend the live event, that spot will be given to the next highest player on the wildcard leaderboard who has completed the RSVP checkin. Alternate players will be contacted by email in order of rank on the wildcard leaderboard. Alternate players must reply within 24 hours of the sending of that invitation email by Play Mechanix in order to claim the spot. If the player does not respond within 24 hours of Play Mechanix sending the email, the next player in line will be contacted.

Only the top 150 players on the wildcard leaderboard will be considered as alternates.

Day of Event Alternates

If a competitor for the World Championship does not show up for the live event, any RSVPed alternate present will be allowed to claim the unfilled spot. Alternates who completed the RSVP Check-in will be considered according to their position on the wildcard leaderboard.

*IF YOU DO NOT RSVP, YOU WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED AS A DAY OF ALTERNATE!
DAY OF EVENT ALTERNATES WILL NOT RECEIVE THE COMPETITOR VIP PACKAGE!*

How to Register

Players must create a Big Buck player account. This can be done from the game or at www.bigbuckhunter.com/.

Players will then be asked to enter player account information. If a player already has a player account, simply follow the on-screen instructions and log in to that account. If a player doesn't have an online player account, one must be created. To do this, select the "No" button when asked if you have a player account. Then follow the on-screen instructions. The name that you use must be your correct and legal name, otherwise you will not be eligible. Once an account has been created, that account will be accessible from any online game across the country and can be used to log in at www.bigbuckhunter.com/.