

The Indoor World Series is a global collection of indoor events with dual purpose, offering a ranking race towards an elite final for world-class athletes and a participative ranking for all athletes (similar to a marathon and triathlon).

**Aims:**

* Increase worldwide participation of archery for all levels and abilities
* Provide a mass-participation, international competition platform
* Extend geographical reach of archery in target markets
* Increase the development of indoor archery competition
* Provide exposure of archery in a usual low key period
* Establish a successful and self-sustaining tournament system

There are three event levels in the Indoor World Series:

* 1000
* 500
* 250

Each level determines the size of the event and represents a minimum level of service to be delivered, such as:

* Number of participants
* Facilities on venue
* Amount of prize money to be awarded
* Services to be delivered at the event

Organisers may bid to have their event sanctioned as a stage of the Indoor World Series. Events and the level of an event will be evaluated each year.

**Staging fee:**

* World Series 1000 event CHF15’000
* World Series 500 event CHF10’000
* World Series 250 event CHF5’000

Funds generated will be used to create the athlete prize fund.

**Outcomes:**

* Increased exposure for athletes within the archery community
* Increased news exposure for athletes outside of the archery community
* Increased opportunities to earn prize money for elite athletes
* Increased exposure for archery brands within archery community
* Increased steps in international competition pathway (enabler for more international athletes to be created)

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| **Category** | **World Series 1000** | **World Series 500** | **World Series 250** |
| Participation | 1000+ athletes | 500+ athletes | 250+ athletes |
| Targets (minimum) | 64 | 48 | 32 |
| Staging fee | 15,000 CHF | 10,000 CHF | 5,000 CHF |
| Tournament name required\* | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Original logo required\* | Yes | Yes | Optional |
| Competition categories | Compound and recurve, men and women, junior and senior | Compound and recurve, men and women, junior and senior | Compound and recurve, men and women, senior |
| Competition format | 18 metres; 60+ arrow qualification; head-to-head or elimination phase\*\* | 18 metres; 60+ arrow qualification; head-to-head or elimination phase\*\* | 18 metres; 60+ arrow qualification; head-to-head or elimination phase\*\* |
| Ranking points available | Until 64th place | Until 32nd place | Until 16th place |
| Venue | Permanent exhibition or sports hall. Minimum six metres behind shooting line for athlete equipment and waiting, temperature control, lighting conforming to World Archery guidelines. | Permanent exhibition or sports hall. Minimum six metres behind shooting line for athlete equipment and waiting, temperature control, lighting conforming to World Archery guidelines. | Permanent exhibition or sports hall. Minimum six metres behind shooting line for athlete equipment and waiting, sufficient lighting. |
| Prize money (minimum) | 5,000 USD for winner of four senior competition categories. Minimum total prize fund of 60,000 USD. | 2,500 USD for winner of four senior competition categories. Minimum total prize fund of 30,000 USD. | 1,500 USD for winner of four senior competition categories. Minimum total prize fund of 15,000 USD. |
| Entries and results | Collect entries using open WAREOS. Generate live results using Ianseo and World Archery software for distribution online. | Collect entries using open WAREOS. Generate live results using Ianseo and World Archery software for distribution online. | Collect entries using open WAREOS. Generate live results using Ianseo and World Archery software for distribution online. |
| Practice range required | Yes (20 targets minimum) | Yes | Optional |

\*Minimum requirement for name is “Location + Open”; minimum requirement for logo is stylised tournament name.

\*\*Alternative competition formats reviewed on a case by case basis.

\*\*\*Participation numbers would be based on the categories of the Indoor World Series,

*An event may exceed these requirements at any level. All requirements should be met at the assigned level.*

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| **Category** | **World Series 1000** | **World Series 500** | **World Series 250** |
| Finals field of play | Custom built and well-branded arena. Full sports presentation, music, on-venue announcing and video wall or projection (16:9, 3m shortest side minimum), showcasing at least gold medal matches one at a time. | Arranged and branded arena. Sports presentation, music, on-venue announcing showcasing at least gold medal matches one at a time. | Defined competition area. Basic music and announcements showcasing at least gold medal matches one at a time. |
| Spectator seating required | Yes (2000 seats minimum) | Yes (500 seats minimum) | Optional |
| Video production | Minimum six-camera broadcast-quality production in 1080i50/60 format with graphics and live commentary. | Minimum five-camera production in 1080i50/60 streaming in 720p with graphics. | News footage in 1080i50/60. (One camera minimum.) |
| Anti-doping facility | Minimum eight tests | Minimum six tests | Minimum four tests |
| Photography | Official photographer providing minimum 60 rights-free high-resolution images per day within 60 minutes of close of each day of competition | Official photographer providing minimum 60 rights-free high-resolution images per day within 60 minutes of close of each day of competition | Official photographer providing minimum 100 rights-free high resolution images with 60 minutes of close of competition  |
| News service | Quotes from top qualifiers and gold medallists, distributed via email within 60 minutes of close of competition stage | Quotes from top qualifiers and gold medallists, distributed via email within 60 minutes of close of competition stage | Quotes gold medallists, distributed via email within 60 minutes of close of competition stage |
| Exhibition area required | Yes | Optional |  |
| Try archery required | Yes | Optional |  |
| Second chance tournament | Yes | Optional |  |
| World Archery technical delegate/designated supervisor | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| International judges (appointed by World Archery) | 3+ (dependent on entries) | 2 | 1 |
| Local/regional judges | 6+ (dependent on entries) | 4+ (dependent on entries) | 3+ (dependent on entries) |



**Formats:**

Recommended competition format.

* Qualification – 60 arrows at 18 meters
* Head to head elimination
* Top 32 cut in each category

For the “Second chance” tournament (optional for 250) available to those athletes not making the cut, a format of 15 arrows cumulative scoring is suggested. Depending on the number of participants, organising committees may divide athletes into divisions. Alternative suggestions competition formats are welcome.

**Entry requirements:**

* Participants need to be a current and valid member of their national federation. No other minimal requirements exist to participate. National federations must be recognised by World Archery.

**Ranking:**

There are two ranking types. The first ranks athletes in the competition series with a view to qualification for the Indoor World Series final in Las Vegas and is temporarily known as the “elite ranking”. The second is the all-athlete ranking, for the overall season, temporarily known as the “amateur ranking”.

The following table illustrates the distribution of elite ranking points. Elite ranking points will be available to the following categories: recurve men, recurve women, compound men and compound women.

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| **Position** | **World Series 1000** | **World Series 500** | **World Series 250** |
| 1st  | 1000 points | 500 points | 250 points |
| 2nd  | 600 points | 300 points | 150 points |
| 3rd | 500 points | 250 points | 125 points |
| 4th | 300 points | 150 points | 75 points |
| 5th  | 250 points | 125 points | 60 points |
| 6th | 200 points | 100 points | 50 points |
| 7th | 190 points | 95 points | 45 points |
| 8th | 180 points | 90 points | 30 points |
| 9th -16th  | 90 points | 45 points | 20 points |
| 17th – 32nd | 45 points | 20 points |  |
| 33rd – 64th | 20 points |  |  |

World Archery will produce the Indoor World Series ranking list from the points accumulated from the positional points based on final ranking achieved at each stage to identify who qualifies for the Indoor World Series Final in Las Vegas.

The participation ranking list will assign the points scored by each athlete with the first 60 arrows shot in each qualification round. All rounds will be normalised to a World Archery 18m round with a maximum of 600 points.

World Archery will also produce an overall amateur ranking list, ranking all participants, that attended any stage, by their highest three (3) qualification scores (first 60 arrows) achieved in the season. A season ranking list will be generated for each of the following categories, recurve men, recurve women, compound men, compound women, recurve junior men, recurve junior women, compound junior men and compound junior women from the Indoor World Series.

For example, each athlete may have two finishing positions:

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| **Ranking** | **Event 1 (1000)** | **Event 2 (500)** | **Event 3 (250)** | **Total** | **Series ranking** |
| Elite ranking | 1st – 1000 points | 4th – 150 points | 5th – 60 points | 1210 points | 5th (qualified) |
| Amateur ranking | 570 | 582 | 568 | 1720 points | 28th |

**Team event:**

A team event (recurve and compound) will run for the entirety of the Indoor World Series. A team will consist of three athletes of one bowstyle and of any gender and will be named prior to the start of the season.

There will be a CHF1’000 entry fee for a team, which will contribute towards a team prize fund. There will be a 50% discount for teams entering with a mix of genders.

Teams may be entered by national federations, clubs, companies or independent groups, as long as the required paperwork is completed. Athletes may only shoot for one team and may not be substituted or change throughout the season. Athletes in a team must wear a unique uniform at each event in which they compete, but do not have to compete at every event.

The elite ranking points accrued by each athlete at each stage of the Indoor World Series will be tallied in a team ranking, with the highest-ranked team being named Indoor World Series Champion at the end of the season.

**Personnel:**

* One (1) World Archery representative will attend each event to act as a Technical Delegate/Supervisor. World Archery will pay for the flight, the organiser provides 4 star single room accommodation with breakfast/lunch and local transport.
* World Archery will appoint international accredited judges. International Judges will pay for their own flights. The local organiser provides 4 star single room accommodation with breakfast/lunch and local transport.
* Organising committees will appoint and fund accredited national judges.
* The organising committee is obliged to appoint and fund an official photographer. World Archery can suggest personnel.
* Additional staff sent from World Archery but requested by the local organising committee (even if required to meet the minimum standards) will be at the sole cost of the organising committee.
* Any additional staff sent from and by World Archery will be at the cost of World Archery.
* At least one person from World Archery results should supervise the local organising committee’s results team at a 1000 and 500 series event. World Archery will pay for the flight, the organiser provides 4 star single room accommodation with breakfast/lunch and local transport.

**Toilets:**

* Separate toilets for male and female
* Six (6) toilets for each gender for every 300 people
* At least one (1) disabled toilet

**Food and beverage:**

* For competing athletes, coaches and spectators to purchase
* Must be safe, hygienic and of good quality
* Should be a variety of hot and cold affordable options catering for most diets

**Promotional:**

World Archery will assist an event organiser in promoting their event, however the promotional strategy of Indoor World Series events should be to develop individual and strong identities for each tournament.

**Rights:**

Each event will own its television and media rights given that it gives World Archery full and unrestricted permission to use and distribute the footage in perpetuity. World Archery will stream the signal, providing technical materials and support, and distribute high-resolution footage to potentially-interested television channels.

World Archery will post produce footage and work to create the largest possible audience for each event.

**Lighting requirements:**

* See World Archery lighting guidelines

**Branding:**

* World Archery logo must be visible on the main field of play (qualification and finals) and appear on all event publications
* Develop own branding and look styles are encouraged
* If a 250 event does not wish to develop its own logo, one will be provided by World Archery. 1000 and 500 events are obliged to develop their own logos.
* World Archery will provide a stamp logo with the competition level which should be visible on all field of plays.

**Sponsorship:**

* Organising Committees are free to attract as many sponsors as they wish
* Cannot seek sponsorship from alcohol or tobacco (including e-cigarettes) sectors

**Rules/Code:**

Competition schedule should be discussed and submitted 2 weeks before the first day of competition

Apply World Archery rules and safety to all shooting ranges

Sports Equipment:

* Use World Archery licensed target faces. Compound targets faces should be without the recurve 10.
* Use World Archery approved foam target butts/matts
* Target name boards indicating Athlete name, category, country of membership
* Target numbers
* Line numbers
* Media line
* Waiting line
* Equipment line
* Score flip boards

**Qualification (optional)**

* + 3 digit flip scoreboard for each recurve and compound athlete to use during qualification to display score accumulation

**Elimination**

* + One 3 digits scoreboard for each compound athlete in a match to display the score accumulated in the match
	+ One 3 digit scoreboard between each recurve to display the set points in the match

Internet requirements:

* Three (3) dedicated and separated internet cables with a minimum capacity of balanced 10Mb up/download for the purposes of live results and, where applicable, streaming/TV needs.

Following the World Archery Rules:

* Apply Rule book 2 and 3
* Minimum space per athlete to have on the shooting line 80cm. If this measurement cannot be provided, consult World Archery.
* Arrow diameter will be limited to 9.3mm (not including arrow wraps); point diameter may be a maximum of 9.4mm
* Adequate safety wall/net behind the targets to safely stop any arrows that miss the target

Dress regulations:

Compliant to World Archery rules and for athletes, coaches and accredited persons on the FOP: -

* No hunting type camouflage is permitted on the field of play. This includes, bows, arrows, quivers, clothing, hats and shoes.
* No jeans or blue denim is allowed on the competition field of play.

**Indoor World Series Final:**

Will be held in **Las Vegas** (USA) on 10 February 2019.

Those athletes who have qualified will be known after the second round of The Vegas Shoot in Las Vegas. All athletes wishing to participate in the finals in Las Vegas, MUST register in the "**Championship Compound”** male/female" for Compound disciplines and in the **"Championships Recurve”** as a male/female" for the Recurve discipline.

All recurve individual matches will use the sets system, consisting the best of five (5) sets shooting three (3) arrows. Alternate shooting – twenty (20) seconds per arrow will be used to shoot one (1) arrow in the gold finals on a, vertical, tri-spot 40cm World Archery target face.

The Compound division, will use cumulative scoring, five (5) ends of three (3) arrows. Alternate shooting – twenty (20) seconds per arrow – will be used to shoot one (1) arrow in the gold finals on a, vertical trip-spot 40cm World Archery target face. Both women and men will score counting the X ring as 10 points, and the recurve 10-ring as 9 points.

At the start of each gold/bronze medal match the highest ranked athlete, in the World Archery Indoor Series Ranking, has the decision to choose, one of the following options:

1. Elect who shoots first to start the match
2. Which target to shoot at i.e. target 1 or target 2

The lower ranked athlete decides the remaining option that the higher ranked athlete did not choose.

Athletes in each category will be ranked from 1 to 16 following their position in the Indoor World Series Ranking 2018. Athletes will be paired against each other, following the head-to-head elimination match play bracket (1st against the 16th, 2nd against the 15th…etc.). Therefore, the competition will start in the 1/8 finals, followed by the quarterfinals, semi-finals and bronze and gold medal matches. The losing semi-finalists will meet in a bronze medal match.

The winner of the gold medal matches with also be awarded the title of Indoor World Series Champion.

The exact competition schedule and details of the Indoor World Series will be communicated on [www.worldarchery.org](http://www.worldarchery.org/)

**Legal Framework:**

The Indoor World Series rules will follow the provision set in the World Archery Constitution and Rules, except for any specification mentioned in these rules.

In case of any misunderstanding due to translation of these rules, the English version will be referred to.

World Archery and the organisers reserve the rights to change these rules at any time.

All outstanding payments must be paid within 6 months of the last day of the event.

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