



ARCHERY WORLD CUP

HYUNDAI ARCHERY WORLD CUP RULES – 2026

Hyundai Archery World Cup Stages (AWCS)

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1. Hyundai Archery World Cup Stages (AWCS)

- 1.1. The 2026 Hyundai Archery World Cup is the 20th season of archery's international competition circuit.
- 1.2. There will be four (4) AWCS in 2026. Puebla (MEX), Shanghai (CHN), Antalya (TUR) and Madrid (ESP).
- 1.3. Each AWCS will be an outdoor archery competition for athletes in the recurve (women and men) and compound (women and men) categories.
- 1.4. The dates and locations of AWCS will be available in the World Archery calendar.
- 1.5. Each member association, including that of the host country of an AWCS, may enter a maximum of four (4) athletes in each category. (A maximum of four recurve men, four recurve women, four compound men, four compound women.)
- 1.6. Each member association may register up to two (2) Team Managers, eight (8) Coaches, and two (2) Medical Personnel. However, the total number of Officials must not exceed 50% of the total number of registered Athletes.
- 1.7. Each AWCS will include the following ten (10) medal events:
 - (4) Individual (recurve men, recurve women, compound men, compound women)
 - (4) Team (recurve men team, recurve women team, compound men team, compound women team)
 - (2) Mixed team (recurve mixed team, compound mixed team)
- 1.8. Athletes will qualify for the AWCF by competing at AWCS.
- 1.9. Points counting towards the AWCR can be won at any AWCS. All AWCS that take place will be considered of equal value for the purposes of the AWCR, although they may award different points towards the world ranking.
- 1.10. The competition format will follow the most recent edition of the *World Archery Rulebook* (available at www.worldarchery.sport), unless otherwise stated in these rules.
- 1.11. The starting round of the elimination process is determined by the number of registered athletes in each competition category:
 - High-Density Categories (> 56 athletes): The first round of eliminations will be the 1/48 (round of 96).
 - Top 8 Byes: the Top 8 athletes from the Qualification Round will receive a bye and automatically advance to the 1/16 round.
 - Standard Categories (56 and 33 athletes): The first round of eliminations will be the 1/24 (round of 48).
 - Top 8 Byes: the Top 8 athletes from the Qualification Round will receive a bye and automatically advance to the next round of competition.
 - Low-Density Categories ($\leq$ 32 athletes): The first round of eliminations will be the 1/16 (round of 32).
 - Top 8 Byes: There will be no byes in this category.
- 1.12. During World Archery Events, each athlete or team shall bring at least two different uniform tops to the official equipment inspection and official practice day. These must be presented to and checked by the judges to ensure they are available for use at all Finals Venue elimination matches.
 - 1.12.1. The choice of the uniform shall be coordinated by the Team Manager and confirmed by the Line Judge before each match, with the higher-seeded athlete or team having first choice. In exceptional circumstances, the Technical Delegate may authorize the use of a less visually distinguishable uniform.
- 1.13. The time allowed for shooting shall follow Article 11.2.1.1: Twenty (20) seconds per arrow for individual alternate shooting and all team/mixed team rounds, and thirty (30) seconds per arrow for individual shooting during qualifications and non-alternate Match Play Rounds.

- 1.14. An athlete that finishes in any of the top thirty-two (32) positions in an individual event at an AWCS will be awarded points towards the AWCR.

Points will be awarded according to the following table:

Rank	Points
1st	25
2nd	21
3rd	18
4th	15
5th	13

Rank	Points
6th	12
7th	11
8th	10
9th - 16th	5
17th - 32nd	1

- 1.15. Due to the implementation of Top 8 protection (byes to the 1/16 round), no bonus points towards the AWCR will be awarded for qualification round rankings.
- 1.16. AWCR: Athletes will be ranked for the AWCR based on their three highest points totals achieved at AWCS. (Note: Bonus points for qualification rankings are no longer awarded or included in this total).

2. Qualification for AWCF

2.1 Eight athletes in each individual competition category will qualify for and compete at the AWCF.

2.1.1 A maximum of two (2) athletes per nation may compete in each competition category.

2.1.2 Qualification for the AWCF is done at athlete level and places are non-transferable. (A nation may not replace a qualified athlete with another athlete.)

2.2 There are three (3) qualification pathways to the AWCF: AWCS stage winner, AWCR and host nation representative.

2.2.1 AWCS stage winner

An athlete who wins an individual event at an AWCS will automatically qualify for the AWCF. If an athlete who has already won an AWCS wins another AWCS, no athlete qualifies from that subsequent AWCS as AWCS stage winner.

If three or more athletes of the same nation win an AWCS, the maximum of two athletes from the same nation will still apply. The two athletes ranked highest in the AWCR will qualify for the AWCF.

2.2.2 AWCR

The athletes ranked highest in the AWCR after the last AWCS of the season qualify for the AWCF.

The number of places available through the AWCR is dependent on the number of athletes that qualify as AWCS stage winners and will bring the total number of qualified athletes to seven.

(For example, if four athletes qualify as AWCS stage winners, three places will be available through the AWCR; if one athlete qualifies as an AWCS stage winner, six places will be available through the AWCR.)

If a nation reaches the maximum number of athletes in any competition category, then the next eligible athlete in the AWCR will qualify instead.

If there is a tie in the AWCR, the following tie-break procedure will be used:

- The athletes' position in the World Archery Rankings issued immediately after the last AWCS, and if the tie is still not resolved, then;
 - The result of the last AWCS in which the athletes participated, and if the tie is still not resolved, then;
 - A coin toss (real or electronic).

2.2.3 Host nation representative

The host nation is guaranteed at least one (1) representative in each competition category.

- If the host nation has already qualified one or more athletes through the AWCS or AWCR, they may nominate additional athletes only up to the general limit of two (2) per category.
- If the host nation has no qualified athletes in a category, they may nominate one (1) athlete to fill that spot.

2.3 Any empty place at the AWCF will be reallocated to the next eligible athlete in the AWCR. Confirmation deadlines will be established to give adequate time for the reallocation process.

3. Hyundai Archery World Cup Final (AWCF)

- 3.1 The AWCF shall be held from 12 to 13 September 2026 in Saltillo, Mexico
- 3.2 Qualified athletes and the member associations involved will be contacted by World Archery for confirmation of their participation and acceptance of the participation conditions of the AWCF. World Archery will then officially confirm each athlete's registration for the AWCF.
- 3.3 Athletes must comply with sponsoring and marketing requirements. For example, each athlete will have to include on their shirt an advertisement of two (2) World Archery Sponsors, which will be attached on site. Athletes will be asked to provide the shirt they will compete in upon arrival. Failure to comply with this requirement may result in the athlete forfeiting their entry for the AWCF.
- 3.3.1 Athletes (and their coaches) competing in the same match must wear uniforms of differing predominant colours (t-shirt only). Each athlete and coach must have a second (alternate) uniform that is of a distinctly different colour to their main (primary) uniform and also complies with World Archery rules.
- The higher seeded athlete will be given the choice of whether they or the lower-seeded athlete will wear their alternate uniform should a change be required.
- 3.4 Single room, full board accommodation will be provided by the LOC at the official event hotel for athletes, who participate in the AWCF. Qualified athletes will be required to arrive one (1) day prior to the day of the draw and leave the day after their respective competition finishes. All local transportation will be provided by the LOC.
- 3.5 The round-trip flight or journey to the AWCF location needs to be arranged and covered by the athlete (or their member association, sponsor or other benefactor). World Archery will not cover this cost.
- 3.6 All matches will follow the most recent edition of the *World Archery Rulebook*.
- 3.7 The top two athletes in the AWCR, for each category, will be placed at the two opposites ends on the bracket. The remaining athletes will be positioned in the brackets by means of a random draw. Athletes, will be paired following the outcome of the draw starting at the quarter-final final stage, followed by the semi-finals and medal matches.
- 3.8 The official draw will take place on the day before familiarisation, may be produced for television and streaming and athletes are required to attend.
- 3.9 All matches may be televised live or included in full or edited format in television products.
- 3.10 The finalised competition schedule and details of the AWCF will be communicated on www.worldarchery.sport and to the finalists two weeks before the start of the competition.

4. Prizes

4.1 Athletes who rank in any of the top eight (8) positions in the individual events at an AWCS will receive the following prize money:

Rank	Amount	5 th	450 CHF
1 st	4'500 CHF	6 th	400 CHF
2 nd	2'500 CHF	7 th	350 CHF
3 rd	1'700 CHF	8 th	300 CHF
4 th	1'200 CHF		

4.2 Athletes who rank in any of the top four (4) positions in the individual events at the AWCF will receive the following prize money:

Rank	Amount
1 st	30'000 CHF
2 nd	15'000 CHF
3 rd	8'000 CHF
4 th	1'500 CHF

A custom Archery World Cup trophy will be given to the winner of each individual event at the AWCF. The original trophy – including the engraved names of the winners of each edition – will remain in the possession of World Archery.

4.3 Prize monies will be paid in two batches during the season. Athletes who accrue more than 2000 CHF in winnings over the first three stages may submit a payment request form by 17 July 2026 for payment in July. The remainder of prize monies will be paid in December, with payment request forms submitted by 1 December 2026. World Archery reserves the right to adjust these processing dates.

5. Nations Ranking

5.1 A Nations Ranking is issued after the last AWCS of a season.

5.2 The Nations Ranking combines the AWCR points won by individual athletes with points awarded according to the finishing positions of a nation's teams and mixed teams at AWCS where those events are held.

5.3 Points are awarded according to a nation's team results as follows:

Rank	Points
1 st	40
2 nd	32
3 rd	26
4 th	20
5 th	14

Rank	Points
6 th	12
7 th	10
8 th	8
9 th – 16 th	5
17 th – 24 th	1

Points are awarded according to a nation's mixed team results as follows:

Rank	Points
1 st	16
2 nd	12
3 rd	10
4 th	8
5 th	5

Rank	Points
6 th	4
7 th	3
8 th	2
9 th – 16 th	1

A trophy will be awarded to the top three countries in the Nations Ranking at the 2027 World Archery Congress.

6. Doping Control

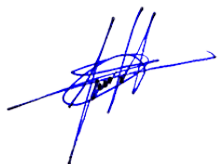
- 6.1 There will be a minimum of ten (10) samples collected at each AWCS.
- 6.2 There will be ten (10) samples collected at the AWCF: the first two positions in each division, and two randomly selected remaining athletes.
- 6.3 The WADA/*World Archery Anti-Doping Rules* and test procedures will apply for all anti-doping tests at any AWCS and the AWCF.

7. Legal Framework

The Hyundai Archery World Cup Rules will follow the provision set in the *World Archery Rulebook*, except for any specifications mentioned in these rules.

In case of misunderstanding due to the translation of these rules, the English version will take precedent.

World Archery reserves its rights to change these rules at any time.

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