

Book 5

Para Archery - Differences



Differences between Book 5, Versions 2026-01-27 and 2026-03-13

General Changes

Changes made throughout Book 5, Para Archery.

1. General basic edits

- 1.1. Corrected spelling, typographical errors, grammar, punctuation, consistent formatting, missing words, etc.

Specific Changes

The original article is in grey Calibri font, and the revised article is in black Calibri font.

Deleted text is denoted by the ~~strike-through~~ font. New text is highlighted in green. Editorial changes and changes to Article numbers are not highlighted.

Articles that were not changed, only had the Article numbers changed, or only had basic editorial edits are not included in the document.

Disclaimer

Any difference between the articles in the new Book 5 and those in this document, the articles in the new Book 5 take precedence.

29.1. Qualification Rounds

Para Archery Rounds can be shot at the following distances:

Distance	Indoor/Outdoor	Target Face	Division	Number of Arrows
18 m	Indoor & Outdoor	40 cm (3-spot)	Para Recurve, Para Compound & Para U21 Compound	60
		40 cm (10-ring) or 40 cm (3-spot)	Para U21-Recurve & Para W1 ¹	60
		60 cm (10-ring)	Para U21 W1 ² , VI ² & VI U21 ²	60
30 m	Outdoor	122 cm	VI	72
50 m	Outdoor	80 cm (6-ring)	Para Compound	72
		80 cm (10-ring)	Para W1	
70 m	Outdoor	122 cm	Para Recurve	72

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		40 cm-C triple ¹	Para Compound and Para Compound U21	60
		60 cm (10-ring) ³	W1 U21, VI and VI U21	60
30 m	Outdoor	80 cm (10 ring)	VI	72
50 m	Outdoor	80 cm (6-ring) ⁴	Para Compound	72
		80 cm (10-ring)	W1	
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¹ - For the Qualification Round at International Para Events, the triple 40 cm faces will be used. The use of single or triple faces in all other competitions is the choice of the organisers, who can allow the athletes in the same category to shoot on a different type of face.

² - The 4 cm 10-ring will be used for scoring purposes, even if a compound bow is used.

³ - The 6 cm 10-ring will be used for scoring purposes, even if a compound bow is used.

⁴ - For International Events, the 6-ring face is mandatory, except for W1. The use of single or 6-ring faces in all other competitions is the organisers' choice, who can allow the athletes in the same category to shoot on a different type of face.

29.2. Elimination and Final Rounds

Division	Distance & Class	Match	Ends/Sets	Arrows per End	Target Face	Advance	Finals
Para Recurve	18 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	40 cm, 40cm 3-Spot	32	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	2 x 40 cm 2-Spot	16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	6	2 x 40 cm 3-Spot	16	4
Para U21 -Recurve W1	18 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	40 cm	32	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	2 x 40 cm	16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	6	2 x 40 cm	16	4
Para Compound	18 m - M/W and U21	Individual	5 ends	3	40 cm, 40cm 3-Spot	32	8
		Mixed Team	4 ends	4	2 x 40 cm 2-Spot	16	4
		Doubles	4 ends	6	2 x 40 cm 3-Spot	16	4
VI & W1U21	18 m	Individual	5 sets	3	60 cm	32	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	60 cm	16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	6	60 cm	16	4
Para Recurve	70 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	122 cm	104, 64	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	122 cm	24, 16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	6	122 cm	24, 16	4
Para Compound	50 m - M/W	Individual	5 ends	3	80 cm 6-ring	104, 64	8
		Mixed Team	4 ends	4	2 x 80 cm 6-ring	24, 16	4
		Doubles	4 ends	6	2 x 80 cm 6-ring	24, 16	4
W1	50 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	80 cm	104, 64	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	80 cm	24, 16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	4	80 cm	24, 16	4
VI	30 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	122 cm	24, 16	4
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	122 cm	24, 16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	4	122 cm	24, 16	4

~~Doubles and Mixed Teams have two (2) athletes, one man and one woman. Each team member shoots two (2) arrows.~~

~~Elimination matches are shot simultaneously. Final Matches are shot alternately.~~

M/W – Men and Women Classes

- Matches are shot according to the pairings determined by the match play brackets, with a maximum of 8, 16, 24, 32, 64, or 104 athletes or teams. The position in the bracket will be determined by the ranking obtained in the qualification round and will follow the model set in [Book 2, Appendix 3](#).
 - *The Technical Delegate and the Organising Committee will make a joint decision on the number of individuals, teams, mixed teams or doubles that will enter the elimination round. This decision will be communicated to all registered Member Associations as soon as final registration has closed.*
- *A match with a bye is a match that does not take place because not enough athletes are entered for a round to provide opponents for each match of that round. The athlete or team with a bye advances to the next round.*
- *Eliminations are shot simultaneously, and final matches are shot alternating.*
- *Mixed Teams have two (2) athletes, one man and one woman, and Doubles have two (2) athletes of the same gender. Each team member shoots two (2) arrows.*

- In the VI elimination round, target allocations will be arranged so that athletes do not have to move targets even if this means that their opponent is not on an adjacent target.

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		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	2 x 40 cm-R double ¹	16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	4	2 x 40 cm-R double ¹	16	4
Para Recurve U21 and W1	18 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	40 cm	32	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	2 x 40 cm	16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	4	2 x 40 cm	16	4
Para Compound and Para Compound U21	18 m - M/W	Individual	5 ends	3	40 cm-C triple ¹	32	8
		Mixed Team	4 ends	4	2 x 40 cm-C double ¹	16	4
		Doubles	4 ends	4	2 x 40 cm-C double ¹	16	4
VI, VI U21 & W1 U21	18 m	Individual	5 sets	3	60 cm	32	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	60 cm	16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	4	60 cm	16	4
Para Recurve	70 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	122 cm	104, 64	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	122 cm	24, 16	4
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Para Compound	50 m - M/W	Individual	5 ends	3	80 cm 6-ring ²	104, 64	8
		Mixed Team	4 ends	4	2 x 80 cm 6-ring ²	24, 16	4
		Doubles	4 ends	4	2 x 80 cm 6-ring ²	24, 16	4
W1	50 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	80 cm	104, 64	8
		Mixed Team	4 sets	4	80 cm	24, 16	4
		Doubles	4 sets	4	80 cm	24, 16	4
VI	30 m - M/W	Individual	5 sets	3	80 cm	24, 16	4

¹ - For the Individual Rounds at International Para Events, the triple 40 cm faces will be used, and for the Mixed Team and Doubles, the double 40 cm will be used. The use of single or double/triple faces in all other competitions is the choice of the organisers, who can allow the athletes in the same class and division to shoot on a different type of face.

² - For International Events, the 6-ring face is mandatory, except for W1. The use of single or 6-ring faces in all other competitions is the organisers' choice, who can allow the athletes in the same category to shoot on a different type of face.

M/W - Men and Women Classes

- Matches are shot according to the pairings determined by the match play brackets, with a maximum of 8, 16, 24, 32, 64, or 104 athletes or teams. The position in the bracket will be determined by the ranking obtained in the qualification round and will follow the model set in [Book 2, Appendix 3](#).
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- *Eliminations are shot simultaneously, and final matches are shot alternating.*
- *Mixed Teams have two (2) athletes, one man and one woman, and Doubles have two (2) athletes of the same gender. Each team member shoots two (2) arrows.*
- *In the VI elimination round, target allocations will be arranged so that athletes do not have to move targets even if this means that their opponent is not on an adjacent target.*

35.3.

For all international tournaments and/or ~~these~~ tournaments registered with World Archery, no "assistant" or "support" ~~dogs~~ will be permitted on the field of play.

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38.2.2.2

For ~~18-m~~ events in which double or triple faces are used, arrows may be shot in any order, but if more than one arrow is shot into the same 40cm 5-ring face (spot), both (or all) arrows count as part of that end, but only the lowest value arrow will score. The other arrow, or arrows in the same spot, will be scored as a miss or as misses. Any arrow missing the outermost blue 6-zone will be scored as a miss. Arrows whose values are turned into misses for the above-mentioned reason will still count as part of the end. If the total number of arrows shot by an athlete in one end/set is more than three (3), the three lower values (including the misses) will be entered in the scorecard. If the total number of arrows shot by a team in one end/set is more than four (4), the four lower values (including the misses) will be entered in the scorecard.

38.2.2.2

*For **short distance** events in which double or triple faces are used, arrows may be shot in any order, but if more than one arrow is shot into the same 40cm 5-ring face (spot), both (or all) arrows count as part of that end, but only the lowest value arrow will score. The other arrow, or arrows in the same spot, will be scored as a miss or as misses. Any arrow missing the outermost blue 6-zone will be scored as a miss. Arrows whose values are turned into misses for the above-mentioned reason will still count as part of the end. If the total number of arrows shot by an athlete in one end/set is more than three (3), the three lower values (including the misses) will be entered in the scorecard. If the total number of arrows shot by a team in one end/set is more than four (4), the four lower values (including the misses) will be entered in the scorecard.*

38.4.1.

Athletes are ultimately responsible for their portion of the scorecards.

Each target will have two scorecards, one of which may be electronic.

If there is a discrepancy in the arrow values:

- *between two paper scorecards, the lower value will take precedence;*
- *between an electronic and a paper scorecard, the paper card will take precedence.*

If there is a discrepancy between the total of the two scorecards, where:

- *two paper scorecards are used; the lower total score will be used for the final result.*
 - *If the lower scorecard total is lower than the actual total, the lower total will be used.*
- *one paper scorecard and one electronic scorecard are used. The total of the electronic scorecard will be used for the total score, 10s and Xs on the following conditions:*
 - *A total score has been entered on the paper scorecard, so verification is possible.*
 - *If no 10s and Xs (9s for ~~18-m~~ events) are entered on the manual scorecard, no 10s and Xs (9s for ~~18-m~~ events) will be registered.*

If there is a discrepancy between the total on the scorecards and the actual total when two paper scorecards are used, where:

- *the scorecard total is lower than the actual total, the lower total will be used;*
- *the scorecard total is higher than the actual total, the actual total will be used.*

~~*Athletes/Teams/Mixed Teams will be disqualified when submitting the final scorecard:*~~

- ~~• *a paper scorecard is not submitted along with the electronic scorecard when both are being used;*~~
- ~~• *no signature is present on the paper scorecard;*~~
- ~~• *no total score is present in the paper scorecard.*~~
- ~~• *If an athlete is disqualified during the qualification round, they are not eligible to participate in the team or mixed round.*~~
- ~~• *If an athlete is disqualified from individual matchplay, that athlete will still be eligible to participate in the team/mixed team matchplay.*~~

The organisers or officials are not required to do so, but they may have a process for verifying the accuracy of any submitted scorecard. In case an error or omission is found, such as a missing signature or a total, the technical delegate or the results manager may ask the concerned athlete/team to correct the error or omission before the next stage of the

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 - *If no 10s and Xs (9s for short distance events) are entered on the manual scorecard, no 10s and Xs (9s for short distance events) will be registered.*

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38.5.2.1.2.

The target set-up for the shoot-off at ~~18 metres~~ will be as follows:

- For individuals, the shoot-off should take place on the same target face type on which the athletes involved have shot in the Qualification Round.
- For individuals, there will be one athlete per target butt on neutral target butts in the middle of the field, with the target face in the middle of the butt. If space is limited, then there may be two athletes per butt, with one target face for each athlete positioned left and right on the butt.
- For individuals, if triple faces are used, the athlete will shoot on the middle face. If a triangular setup is used, the athlete will shoot on the upper face.
- For the doubles or mixed team shoot-off, there will be one butt per team. For a vertical double face, it will be turned horizontally. Each team member will decide at which centre the athlete shoots (one arrow per centre).

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The target set-up for the shoot-off at **short distances** will be as follows:

- For individuals, the shoot-off should take place on the same target face type on which the athletes involved have shot in the Qualification Round.
- For individuals, there will be one athlete per target butt on neutral target butts in the middle of the field, with the target face in the middle of the butt. If space is limited, then there may be two athletes per butt, with one target face for each athlete positioned left and right on the butt.
- For individuals, if triple faces are used, the athlete will shoot on the middle face. If a triangular setup is used, the athlete will shoot on the upper face.
- For the doubles or mixed team shoot-off, there will be one butt per team. For a vertical double face, it will be turned horizontally. Each team member will decide at which centre the athlete shoots (one arrow per centre).

38.6. Ranking

At the completion of the event, all athletes/doubles/mixed teams will be individually ranked. ~~The~~ qualification scores will be considered for the athletes/teams who do not qualify for the elimination rounds. The one-arrow average (rounded up to the third decimal) ~~on~~ the round they lost will be used to ~~rank~~ athletes.

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