

INTERPRETATIONS

WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES

Book 4, Article 22

The Spanish Judge Committee has requested an interpretation as to whether (i) a longbow may be used in the Instinctive or Barebow divisions, (ii) an instinctive bow may be used in the Barebow division, (iii) a barebow may be used in the Rrecurve division and (iv) bows permitted in the Longbow division, Instinctive Bow division, Barebow division, or Recurve division may compete in the Compound division?

The Constitution and Rules Committee (“C&R”) finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee after consultation with the Field Archery Committee.

C&R has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

Response from the Technical Committee:

- 1) A longbow may be used in the Instinctive Bow division as well as in the Barebow Division. There are no restrictions in these classes that would disallow such equipment.
- 2) An instinctive bow may be used in the Barebow division.
- 3) A longbow or instinctive bow or barebow may be used in the Recurve division.
- 4) None of the bows permitted in the Longbow division, Instinctive Bow division, Barebow division, or Recurve division may be used in the Compound division. Within all of these divisions, there is a consistency of how each bow is used and shot other than with respect to compound bows. None of these bows are mechanically aided and all are released with fingers other than compound bows. The compound bow, as described in Book 4, Article 22.2.1, is a completely different type of bow than the other bows listed and is not used in a consistent way to the non-mechanical bows noted here.

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