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CHAPTER 9 ATHLETES' EQUIPMENT

This article lays down the type of equipment athletes are permitted to use when shooting in archery competitions. It is the athlete's responsibility to use equipment that complies with the rules. Any athlete found to be using equipment contravening World Archery Rules at any point during the tournament will be disqualified and will lose any position gained. Described below are the specific regulations that apply to each division, followed by the regulations that apply to all divisions.

The regulations set forth in *Book 5 Para Archery* will apply only to that discipline and take precedence in any case of conflict.

9.1. RECURVE DIVISION

In the Recurve Division, the following items are permitted:

9.1.1. Bow

A bow of any type, provided it complies with the common meaning of the word "bow" as used in target archery, that is, an instrument consisting of a handle/riser and grip (no shoot-through type) and two flexible limbs, each ending in a tip with a string nock. The bow is braced for use by a single string attached directly between the two string nocks and, in operation, is held in one hand by its handle (grip) while the fingers of the other hand draw and release the string, unless an athlete is a classified Para Archer, in which case also see rules in *Book 5 Para Archery*.

- *Multi-coloured bow risers and trademarks located on the inside of the upper and lower limbs or on the riser are permitted.*
- *Risers with a brace are permitted, provided the brace does not consistently touch any part of the athlete's body while at full draw and during aiming.*

Interpretation: 2019 - 15 Aug - Bow Grip
Interpretation: 2023 - 15 December - Touching Bow

9.1.2. Bowstring

A bowstring may be of multi-coloured strands and serving. It may have a centre serving to accommodate the drawing fingers and one or two nocking points, to which may be added serving(s) to fit the arrow nock as necessary and to locate the nocking points. At each end of the bowstring, there is a loop that is placed in the string nocks of the bow when braced. In addition, one attachment is permitted on the string to serve as a lip or nose mark. The end of the serving on the string will not end within the athlete's vision at full draw. The bowstring will not in any way assist aiming through the use of a peephole, marking, or any other means.

Interpretation: 2018 - 8 Dec - Nocking point
Interpretation: 2024 - 13 Nov - Use of Thumb

9.1.3. Arrow Rest

An arrow rest is permitted.

- It can be adjustable and have more than one vertical support.
- *Any movable pressure button, pressure point or arrow plate may be used on the bow, provided they are not electric or electronic and do not offer any additional aid in aiming.*
- *The pressure point may be placed no further back than 4 cm towards the athlete from the pivot point of the grip.*

Interpretation: 2016 - 16 Nov - Arrow Rest

9.1.4. Draw Check

One draw check indicator, audible, tactile, and/or visual, may be used, provided it is not electric or electronic.

Interpretation: 2023 - 15 Dec - Draw Check Indicator - Visual and Audible

9.1.5. Sight

A bow sight or similar device is permitted, but at no time may more than one such device be used.

- *It will not incorporate a prism, magnifying lens/lenses, or any magnifying device, level, electric or electronic devices.*
- *It will provide only one sighting point.*
- *The overall length of the sighting circle or point (hood, tunnel or tube, sighting pin or other corresponding extended component) will not exceed 2 cm in the athlete's line of vision. Long fibre optic pins must bend after 2 cm, with the opposite end of the fibre optic pin outside the athlete's line of vision.*
- *A sight attached to the bow may have windage and elevation adjustment and is subject to the following provisions:*
    - *A bow sight extension is permitted.*
    - *A scale and/or tape with distance markings may be mounted on the sight as a guide for distance markings, but will not in any way offer additional aid.*

9.1.6. Stabilisers

Stabilisers and vibration dampeners are permitted to be attached to the bow.

They will not:

- *serve as a string guide;*

- *consistently touch any part of the athlete's body while at full draw and during aiming;*
- *present any danger or obstruction to other athletes.*

9.1.7. Arrows

Arrows of any type may be used provided they comply with the common meaning of the word "arrow" as used in target archery and do not cause undue damage to target faces or butts.

- *An arrow consists of a shaft with a tip (point), nock, fletching, and, if desired, cresting.*
- *The maximum diameter of arrow shafts will not exceed 9.3 mm. Arrow wraps will not be considered as part of this limitation, but will not extend further than 22 cm toward the arrow point when measured from the nock groove where the bowstring sits to the end of the wrap.*
- *The tips/points of the arrows will not exceed 9.4 mm in diameter.*
- *All arrows of every athlete will be marked with the athlete's name or initials on the shaft or the arrow wrap.*
- *All arrows used in any end will be identical in appearance and will carry the same pattern and colour(s) of fletching, nocks and cresting, if any.*
- *Tracer nocks (electrically/electronically lighted nocks) are not allowed.*

9.1.8. Finger Protection

Finger protection in the form of finger tape, shooting glove (wrist strap allowed), finger tab or a combination of finger protection to draw and release the bowstring is permitted, provided they do not incorporate any device that assists the athlete to draw and release the bowstring.

Finger protection may incorporate the following:

  - *An anchor plate for anchoring.*
  - *Thumb or finger rests for non-drawing fingers.*
  - *Finger straps around fingers to secure finger protection to the hand.*
  - *Finger separator between fingers to prevent pinching the arrow.*
  - *Tab plates for securing tab materials/layers together.*
  - *Plate extensions for consistent hand placement may be used.*
- *Finger protection may be made of any number of layers and materials.*
- *No part of the finger protection may extend around the hand between the thumb and fingers, beyond the wrist joint, or restrict wrist movement.*
- *On the bow hand, an ordinary glove, mitten or similar item may be worn but must*

not be attached to the grip of the bow.

Interpretation: 2021 - 15 Nov - Thumb Ring

9.2. COMPOUND DIVISION

In the Compound Division, the following equipment is described. All types of additional devices are permitted unless they are electric or electronic, compromise safety, or create unfair disturbance to other athletes.

Interpretation: 2015 - 27 Jun - Anti-torque Hand Piece

9.2.1. Bow

A Compound Bow, which may be of a shoot-through type riser, is one where the draw is mechanically varied by a system of pulleys or cams. The bow is braced for use by cables or bowstring(s) attached directly to the cams, the string nocks of the bow limbs, cables or by other means as may be applicable to the design. In operation, the bow is held in one hand by its handle (grip), while the fingers of the other hand draw and release the string, unless an athlete is a classified Para Archer, in which case, also see rules in *Book 5 Para Archery*.

- *The peak draw weight must not exceed 60 lbs.*
- *A riser brace or split cables are permitted, provided they do not consistently touch any part of the athlete's body while at full draw and during aiming***.**

Interpretation: 2023 - 15 December - Touching Bow

9.2.2. Bowstring

A bowstring of any type, which may include:

- *multiple servings to accommodate nocking points*
- *a lip mark (e.g., kisser button)*
- *a nose mark*
- *a peephole*
- *a peephole 'hold-in-line' device*
- *D-loop bowstring*
- *string silencers*
- *bowstring weights*

Any other attachments are permitted.

Interpretation: 2021 - 30 Nov - Adjustable aperture peep sight

9.2.3. Arrow Rest

The arrow rest's pressure point, which can be adjusted, will be placed no further back than 6 cm towards the athlete from the pivot point of the grip.

9.2.4. Stabilisers

Any number of stabilisers are allowed, provided they do not:

- *consistently touch any part of the athlete's body while at full draw and during aiming.*
- *present any danger or obstruction to other athletes.*

9.2.5. Draw Check

Draw check indicators, audible, tactile, and/or visual, may be used, provided they are not electric or electronic.

Interpretation: 2023 - 15 Dec - Draw Check Indicator - Visual and Audible

9.2.6. Sight

A bow sight attached to the bow:

- *Which may allow for windage and elevation adjustments and may also incorporate a levelling device, magnifying lenses, and/or prisms.*
- *The sight points may be a fibre optic and, if desired, illuminated by a chemical glow stick. The glow stick will be encased so as not to disturb other athletes.*
- *"Peep Elimination" sights can be used, provided they do not incorporate anything electric or electronic.*

Interpretation: 2019 - 14 Aug - Compound Sight

9.2.7. Release

A release aid may be used, provided it is not permanently attached in any way to the bow. Any type of finger protection may be used.

Interpretation: 2024 - 13 Nov - Use of Thumb

9.2.8. Arrows

See Article 9.1.7. Arrows.

9.3. BAREBOW DIVISION

Equipment permitted for the Barebow division is the same as for the Recurve division, with the following stipulations:

- *No sight is allowed.*
- *No stabilisers are allowed.*

9.3.1. Bow

The bow, as described above, will be bare except for the arrow rest and free from protrusions, sights or sight marks, marks or blemishes or laminated pieces (within the bow window area), which could be of use in aiming. Any markings within the aiming area that

could be used for aiming must be taped over.

Interpretation: 2024 - 13 Nov - Use of Thumb

9.3.2. Bowstring

A bowstring may be of multi-coloured strands and serving. It may have a centre serving to accommodate the drawing fingers and one or two nocking points, to which may be added serving(s) to fit the arrow nock as necessary and to locate the nocking points. At each end of the bowstring, there is a loop that is placed in the string nocks of the bow when braced. No lip or nose marks or other attachments to the string are permitted. The end of the serving on the string will not end within the athlete's vision at full draw. The bowstring will not in any way assist aiming through the use of a peephole, marking, or any other means.

Interpretation: 2018 - 8 Dec - Nocking Point

9.3.3. Arrow Rest

An adjustable pressure button, pressure point or arrow plate can be used on the bow, provided they do not offer any additional aid in aiming. The pressure point may be placed no further back than 2 cm towards the athlete from the pivot point of the grip.

9.3.4. Draw Check

No draw check device may be used.

Interpretation: 2025 - May 4 - Barebow Draw Length Indication

9.3.5. Face and String Walking

Face and string walking are permitted.

9.3.6. Attachments

The bow (braced or unbraced and regardless of the bow's orientation or angle), including any combination of weights, vibration dampeners, and other attachments, must pass through a ring with a diameter of 12.2 cm (+/- 0.5 mm) without moving, flexing or turning the attachments. The attachments must not aid the athlete in aiming or ranging in any way.

Interpretation: 2024 - Oct 15 - Powder Vibration Dampener Barebow
Interpretation: 2026 - 04 Aug - Stability Optimisation System by AcuArchery - Barebow

9.3.7. Finger Protection

Finger protection in the form of finger stalls or tips, gloves, a shooting tab or tape to draw and release the string is permitted, provided they do not incorporate any device that assists the athlete in holding, drawing, and releasing the string.

- *A separator between the fingers to prevent pinching the arrow may be used.*
- *An anchor plate or similar device attached to the finger protection (tab) for the purpose of anchoring is permitted.*

- *The stitching must be uniform in size and colour.*
- *Marks or lines may be added directly to the tab or on tape placed on the face of the tab. These marks must be uniform in size, shape and colour and may have up to two different lengths.*
- *Additional memoranda are not permitted.*
- *On the bow hand, an ordinary glove, mitten, or similar item may be worn but must not be attached to the grip of the bow.*

Interpretation: 2021 - 15 Nov - Sear Tab
Interpretation: 2021 - 15 Nov - Thumb Ring
Interpretation: 2020 - 11 Aug - Barebow tab 1
Interpretation: 2020 - 11 Aug - Barebow tab 2
Interpretation: 2020 - 11 Aug - Barebow Tab 3

9.4. ACCESSORIES FOR ALL DIVISIONS

9.4.1

Accessories permitted for all divisions are:

- *arm guards*
- *chest protectors*
- *bow slings*
- *finger slings*
- *quivers (attached to the belt, hip, back or on the ground)*
- *Devices to raise a foot/feet or part thereof, attached or independent of the shoe, are permitted, provided they do not present an obstruction to other athletes at the shooting line/peg or protrude more than 2 cm past the footprint of the shoe.*
- *Wind indicators, non-electric or non-electronic, may be attached to the equipment (e.g., light ribbons). (**Recurve and Compound Divisions only**)*
- *Mobile devices, such as mobile phones, are permitted in front of the waiting line for running software that simply allows the athlete to plot arrow impacts on the target, as one would on printed paper used for the same purpose. They may also be used to photograph the athlete's arrows in the target and their scorecards.*
- *Electronic devices used to monitor physiological data, such as wrist-worn fitness trackers, smartwatches, and heart rate chest bands, are permitted. Data can be communicated electronically to the paired electronic device, provided the monitoring device on the athlete is not visually intrusive (e.g., no eye-tracking devices, no head-mounted EEG devices, etc.).*

Interpretation: 2021 - 15 Nov - Fivics Elbow Device
Interpretation: 2023 - 15 September - Kinesio Tape

9.4.2.

Accessories not permitted for all divisions are:

- *Any electronic or electrical device that can be attached to the athlete's equipment.*
- *Use of any electronic voice communication device, headsets or noise reduction devices in front of the waiting line.*
- *For mobile devices, no software that aids in bow sight adjustments may be used anywhere on the archery field (which includes any space either in front of or behind the shooting line up to the spectator area).*

Interpretation: 2021 - 15 Nov - Mantis Training Tool
Interpretation: 2023 - 15 April - Tablet Use as a Scope
Interpretation: 2019 - 30-Mar - Loop Hearing Aid
Interpretation: 2025 - Apr 08 - Noise Frequency Devices

9.4.2.1.

Athletes' equipment will not include camouflage patterns of any kind.

Interpretation: 2023 - 15 December - Camouflage

9.5. VISUAL AIDS

Binoculars, scopes and other visual aids may be used for spotting arrows:

- *Provided they are not used for ranging or represent an obstruction to other athletes.*
- *The highest point of the scope will be below the armpit of the athlete(s) using it when at full draw.*
- *Prescription glasses, shooting spectacles and sunglasses may be used. None of these will be fitted with micro-hole lenses or similar devices, nor will they be marked in any way that can assist in aiming.*
- *If the athlete needs to cover the non-sighting eye and/or glasses lens, film or tape may be used to obscure vision, or an eye patch may be used. The type of coverage must not create a clear reference line.*

Interpretation: 2019 - 19 Dec - Shooting Glasses
Interpretation: 2025 – 21 Oct - Image Stabilised Binoculars

9.6.

At the Olympic Games, no electronic communication device is allowed on the competition field unless required by the Organising Committee.

Interpretation: 2019 - 30-Mar - Loop Hearing Aid

9.7. EQUIPMENT INSPECTION

On the day before the first day of the competition, the organisers will arrange, on or near the practice field, for the inspection by the judges of all the equipment, including spares and

accessories that each athlete intends to use during the competition of World Championships, Olympic Games, other Games and other International Events. Athletes wishing to have their equipment inspected will present their equipment (including spares) to the judges for inspection on the day before the first competition day. The judges may conduct spot inspections of the athlete's equipment at any time during the competition.

9.7.1

Judges may request that the equipment be modified if it is found to violate the equipment rules.

2018-May-20: Judge's Right to Require Equipment Disassembly

9.8 Equipment on the Final Field of Play

- *Athletes can have two sets of bows, each with all accessories listed above, except telescopes.*
- *Officials can carry a belt pack with team accessories, as well as a pair of binoculars or a telescope.*

CHAPTER 10 SHOOTING AND CONDUCT

10.1.

Each athlete will shoot arrows in ends of three or six arrows unless specified differently.

Interpretation: 2023 - 15 Jan - Failure to Shoot Arrows

10.2

Shooting on the competition field during byes, for individuals, will be limited to three arrows per end, the first three sets for recurve and barebow, and five ends for compound. In the case of teams, it will be limited to six arrows for teams and four arrows for mixed teams (2 arrows per athlete) per end, a maximum of three sets for recurve and barebow, and four ends for compound. If more than the mentioned number of arrows are shot by an athlete or a team in an end after being warned by a judge, the athlete or team may be denied further practice on the competition field, but any such violation will not affect the next match.

10.3.

Athletes may not raise the bow arm until the signal to start shooting is given.

10.4.

Except for persons with disabilities, athletes will shoot from a standing position and without support, with their heads aligned over the shooting line at full draw.

10.5.

Under no circumstances may an arrow be re-shot.

10.5.1.

An arrow may be considered not to have been shot if:

- *the arrow falls from the bow or is mis-shot, and a part of the arrow shaft lies within the zone between the shooting line and the 3 m line, provided the arrow has not rebounded;*
- *the target face or butt blows over, and it is not possible for the judges to determine the score of the arrows shot. The judges will take whatever measures they deem necessary and allow adequate time for shooting the relevant number of arrows*.

10.6.

While an athlete is on the shooting line, the coach may give the athlete non-electronic coaching information, provided it does not disturb the other athletes.

Interpretation: 2019 - 30-Mar - Loop Hearing Aid

10.6.1.

In the Team or Mixed Team Event, the athletes and the coach may assist each other verbally, whether they are on the shooting line or not. During the shooting, the coach may only coach from the position decided by the LOC. Only one spotting scope will be allowed to be used by the athletes and the coach.

10.7.

No athlete may touch another athlete's equipment without the latter's consent.

10.8.

Smoking, vaping, or using electronic cigarettes is not allowed on the field of play or the practice field.

10.9.

No athlete may draw their bow except when standing on the shooting line. When drawing back the string of the bow, the bow must always point towards the athlete's own target.

10.10

No athlete will use any technique that, in the judges' opinion, if released, accidentally or otherwise, could allow the arrow to fly beyond a safety zone or safety arrangements.

CHAPTER 11 ORDER OF SHOOTING AND TIMING CONTROL

11.1. Order of Shooting

11.1.1.

If four athletes shoot in pairs on a target butt, the rotation will be AB-CD, CD-AB, AB-CD, etc.

11.1.2.

Except for match play, the position on the shooting line will be by mutual agreement, provided that all athletes on that target butt inform a judge before the beginning of a distance.

If there is no agreement, the positions will be as follows when two, three or four athletes shoot at the same target face:

- *Athlete A will shoot on the left and athlete B on the right.*
- *Athlete A will shoot on the left, B in the middle and C on the right.*
- *Athletes A and C will shoot on the left and B and D on the right, where AB and CD will shoot alternately.*

If there is no agreement, the positions will be as follows when shooting on multiple setups:

- *When two athletes shoot at two faces, athlete A shoots at the left face, and athlete B shoots at the right face.*
- *When three athletes shoot at three faces, athlete A shoots at the bottom left face, athlete B shoots at the top face, and athlete C shoots at the bottom right face.*
- *When four athletes shoot at four faces, athlete A shoots at the top left face, athlete B shoots at the top right face, athlete C shoots at the bottom left face, and athlete D shoots at the bottom right face.*
- *When four athletes shoot on four vertical triple faces, athlete A shoots at the first column, athlete B at the third column, athlete C at the second column and athlete D at the fourth column, where AB and CD shoot alternately.*

11.1.3.

The position on the shooting line for individual and team matches will follow the match play chart. The athlete or team on the top line of each pair (of the chart) will shoot on the left-hand side of that match. The target allocation for each round of the competition is the choice of the organisers.

11.1.4

At World Championships, Archery World Cups and other International Competitions:

11.1.4.1.

In the Match Play Individual competition with alternate shooting:

- *In the Finals Rounds, each athlete will shoot on a separate target butt and will not go to the target to score and collect the arrows. Each athlete will appoint an athlete's agent who will observe the scores recorded, mark the arrow holes, and withdraw the arrows. The arrows will be returned to the athlete at the completion of every end/set after the second end/set.*
- *The higher-placed athlete in the Qualification Round will decide the order of shooting in the first end/set. The athlete with the lower set point score for recurve and barebow, or lower cumulative score for compound, will shoot first in the next end/set. If the athletes are tied, the athlete who shot first in the first end/set will shoot first in the next end/set or in the shoot-off.*

11.1.4.2.

In the Team or Mixed Team competition (both teams shooting at the same time):

- *Both teams will start each end of their match with the athletes behind the 1 m line.*
- *The first athlete may only cross the 1 m line when the director of shooting has given the signal to start the match.*
- *The athletes in the team will shoot two arrows each in an order of their own choosing.*
- *One athlete will occupy the shooting line while the other athletes remain behind the 1 m line. No more than one athlete at a time will be in front of the 1 m line.*
- *When moving forward to shoot, athletes will not remove their arrows from their quivers until they are on the shooting line.*
- *In compound team matches, athletes will not hook their release aids on the string until they are on the shooting line. Once the athlete is on the shooting line, the release aid may be hooked either before or after the arrow is nocked on the string.*
- *Violations of the Team Event rules will be handled according to Chapter 13 - Consequences of Breaking Rules.*

11.1.4.3.

In the Team or Mixed Team competition Finals Rounds (alternating shooting):

- *Both teams will start each end of their match with their athletes behind the 1 m line.*
- *The higher-placed team in the Qualification Round will decide the order of shooting the first end. The team with the lower set points score for recurve and barebow or lower cumulative score for compound will shoot first in the next end/set. If teams are*

tied, the team that started the match will shoot first.

- *Each team must alternate between their members after each shot so that each member has shot one arrow in each phase of the rotation.*
- *When all three members of the team (two for a mixed team) have shot one arrow each and the last athlete has returned behind the 1 m line, the clock of that team is stopped, displaying the time remaining.*
- *When the clock of the second team is started, the first athlete of that team may cross the 1 m line and start shooting.*
- *This is repeated until both teams have shot six arrows (four for the Mixed Team) or their time has expired.*
- *In case of a shoot-off, the team that shot first in the match will start shooting the shoot-off, and the alternation between the teams will take place after every shot.*

11.2. Timing

11.2.1.

The total time allowed to shoot an end will be determined by the total number of arrows to shoot in the end.

11.2.1.1.

For World Ranking Events and other national or international events in which the organisers announce beforehand, the following will apply:

- *Twenty (20) seconds per arrow is the time allowed for individual alternate shooting and all team and mixed team rounds, including shoot-offs.*
- *Thirty (30) seconds per arrow is the time allowed for individual shooting during qualifications and Match Play Rounds, where alternate shooting does not apply, including shoot-offs.*

11.2.1.2.

For all other events:

- *Twenty (20) seconds per arrow is the time allowed for individual alternate shooting and for all team and mixed team rounds, including shoot-offs.*
- *Forty (40) seconds per arrow is the time allowed for individual shooting during qualifications and Match Play Rounds, where alternate shooting does not apply, including shoot-offs. Organisers may reduce this time to 30 seconds per arrow by indicating so in the invitation.*

11.2.2.

The time limit may be extended in exceptional circumstances.

11.2.3.

No athlete will occupy the shooting line except when the appropriate signal has been given.

11.2.3.1.

When shooting is conducted in AB/CD detail, ten (10) seconds will be allowed for the athletes to leave and the next designated athletes to occupy the shooting line.

11.2.3.2.

When there is individual alternating shooting, athletes competing will go to the shooting line upon the 10-second signal. At the end of the 10 seconds, one sound signal will start the 20-second shooting period for the first athlete in the match. As soon as the first arrow is shot or the time runs out, the countdown clock for the opponent athlete is started to indicate the appropriate 20-second shooting period to shoot one arrow. The athletes of the match will continue to alternate their shots following the countdown clock visual signal until each athlete has shot the three arrows or the athlete is sure of the loss of the match. The losing athlete may then vacate the shooting line and congratulate the winner.

If the time runs out, a sound signal will indicate to the other athlete/team the start or the end of the end/set.

11.2.4.

If shooting is suspended during an end for any reason, the time limit will be adjusted. The shooting time will be determined by the number of arrows not shot, including the 10-second signal.

11.2.4.1

In the individual qualification or match play rounds, archers will be given 30 seconds per arrow or 40 seconds per arrow, depending on the type of event (20 seconds in case of alternate match play).

11.2.4.2.

In the team or mixed team event, if shooting is suspended and if the time remaining on the clock is more than the approximate total of 20 seconds per arrow for the remaining unshot arrows by the team, as identified by the director of shooting or the judge, then shooting will resume from that time. Otherwise, the team will get 20 seconds per arrow for the remaining unshot arrows. In either case, shooting will resume from the shooting line.

11.3. Visual and Acoustic Time Control

11.3.1.

When the shooting is controlled by lights (except in the Finals Round of the Match Play Rounds):

RED The director of shooting will give two sound signals for all the designated athletes (AB, CD, or all three athletes as applicable) to occupy the shooting line (except for Team Matches).

GREEN When the lights change to green 10 seconds later, the director of shooting will give one sound signal for shooting to begin.

YELLOW This warning signal will be given 30 seconds before the end of the time limit, except in the Finals Round when the athletes shoot alternately.

RED This means the shooting time has finished, and two sound signals will be given to indicate that shooting is to stop, even if all arrows have not been shot. Any athlete still on the shooting line will immediately go back behind the waiting line. When there are other designated athletes (if an AB-CD / CD-AB rotation is used), they will move up to the shooting line and wait for the green light and the shooting to begin. This whole procedure will be repeated as above until all have shot. When the red light comes on after the required number of arrows have been shot, three sound signals will be given for the scoring to begin.

Both systems (lights and clocks) must be synchronised. If there is a discrepancy, the digital clock takes precedence.

11.3.2.

Whenever the shooting line is clear, the appropriate signal for change or scoring will be given unless the judges have been informed that there are athletes who have not shot all their arrows.

11.3.3

In the event of an emergency, a series of at least 5 sound signals will be given to signal that all shooting must cease. If shooting is suspended during an end for any reason, one sound signal will be given for shooting to continue.

11.3.4.

If more than one match is held on the same field of play at the same time with alternating shooting, no sound signal may be given to indicate the start of each shooting period except for the start of the match.

11.4. Procedures

11.4.1. Equipment Failure and Medical

In the event (during the qualification round) of an equipment failure, verified by a judge, or a medical issue, verified by medical personnel, extra time may be given to make the necessary repairs, change the damaged equipment or for medical personnel to determine the problem and decide whether or not the athlete is fit to continue competing unassisted. However, the maximum time or number of ends for make-up arrows to be shot is approximately 15 minutes (following the regular order of shooting and timing), or two ends if shooting six arrow ends and three ends if shooting three arrow ends. The athlete will make up the appropriate number of arrows at the earliest opportunity under the supervision of a judge.

At world ranking events or other international events, including World, Continental, or Youth Championships, no extra time will be allowed for equipment failure or the treatment of medical problems, but the athlete concerned may leave the shooting line to resolve the issue and return to shoot any remaining arrow(s) if the time limit permits. In the Team Event, other members of the team may shoot in the meantime.

11.4.2. Forfeits and Byes

The arrows of individual athletes or teams with byes or forfeited matches will not be scored. The athletes with byes will advance to the next round. Athletes with byes may practise on the practice field, an unused portion of the competition field, or at designated targets alongside the athletes who are shooting their matches, in accordance with Article 10.2.

In Match Play Rounds, a forfeited match is a match in which one of the two athletes/teams is not present when the order of shooting is decided or in which one athlete/team is not present at the start of the match (both athletes/teams shooting at the same time).

The athlete/team present when the order of shooting is decided or present at the designated target at the start of the match will then be declared the winner of that match.

Interpretation: 2023 - 15 December - Forfeit in Matches

11.4.3. Arriving late

An athlete arriving after shooting has started will forfeit the number of arrows already shot unless the chairperson of the Tournament Judges Commission or the chair's deputy is satisfied that the athlete was delayed by circumstances beyond the athlete's control. In this case, the athlete will be allowed to make up the lost arrows after the distance being shot is completed, but in no circumstances may that be more than 12 arrows.

11.4.4. Shooting line

While shooting is in progress, only those athletes whose turn it is to shoot may be on the shooting line.

- *All other athletes, with their equipment, will remain behind the waiting line. After an athlete has shot the arrows, the athlete will immediately retire behind the waiting line. The athlete may leave the spotting scope on the shooting line between ends, provided it does not create an obstacle for any other athlete.*

11.4.5. Team Substitutions

For match play, a team or mixed team will consist of the highest-ranked three (or two if a Mixed Team) athletes from the Qualification Round. In case of a substitution, the team manager will notify the officially approved results verifier or the chairperson of judges, in writing, at least fifteen minutes before the start of official practice of the first match of the match play stage for the event concerned. The substitute athlete must have competed in the Qualification Round. If a substitution is made, medals will only be awarded to the athletes who shot the Team Match Play Round. A violation of the foregoing will result in the disqualification of the team.

CHAPTER 12 SCORING

12.1. General Scoring

12.1.1.

Each target will have two scorecards, one of which may be electronic. If there is a discrepancy in the arrow values between an electronic and a paper scorecard, the paper card will take precedence.

12.1.2.

Scoring will take place after each end/set.

12.1.3.

Scorers will enter onto the scorecards the value of each arrow in descending order as called out by the athlete to whom the arrows belong (or the athlete's agent). Other athletes on that target will check the value of each arrow called out and, in case of disagreement, call the assigned judge, who makes the final decision.

12.1.4. Set-play and Cumulative Scoring

Recurve and Barebow will score using the set system, and Compound will be scored using a cumulative score.

In the Match Play Round, when shooting simultaneously, the value of the arrow will be called by the athlete. The opponent will check the value of each arrow and, in case of a disagreement, call the assigned judge, who makes the final call.

12.1.4.1. Individual Set-play

- *In each set, the athlete with the highest score of that end obtains two set points. In case of a tied score, both athletes obtain one set point.*
- *As soon as an athlete reaches 6 set points, the athlete is declared the winner and advances to the next round.*

12.1.4.2. Team Set-play

- *In each Team or Mixed Team set, the team with the highest score of that set obtains two set points. In case of a tied score, both teams obtain one set point.*
- *As soon as a team reaches 5 set points, this team is declared the winner and advances to the next round.*

12.1.4.3. Individual Cumulative Scoring

- *In each end, the total scores are recorded.*
- *At the end of 5 ends, the athlete with the highest total is the winner.*

12.1.4.4. Team Cumulative Scoring

- *In each end, the total scores are recorded.*
- *At the end of four ends, the team with the highest total is the winner.*

12.1.5

For alternating shooting, the value of the arrows will be noted down by the scorer in the order in which they are shot. These unofficial recorded values will be checked by the athlete's agent when the official scoring takes place at the target. To verify the scores, the target judge calls the arrow scores in descending order at the target, and the judge will sign any changed score.

12.1.6

Athletes may delegate authority to score and collect their arrows to their Team Manager, coach, or to another athlete on their own target butt if they do not move up to the target butt themselves.

12.2. Scoring Arrows

An arrow will be scored according to the position of the shaft in the target face. If the shaft of an arrow touches two colours or any dividing lines between two scoring zones, that arrow will score the higher value of the two zones involved.

12.2.1.

None of the arrows, the target face or the butt will be touched until the value of all the arrows on that butt has been recorded.

12.2.2.

If more than the required number of arrows are found in the target butt or on the ground near the butt, or in the shooting lanes, only the lowest three (or four or six, as the case may be) in value will be scored.

12.2.2.1.

For the Team Compound Match Round, arrows may be shot in any order, but if more than three arrows (two for Mixed Team) are shot into the same face, all arrows count as part of that end, but only the three lowest (two lowest for Mixed Team) value arrows will score. The other arrow, or arrows in the same face, will be scored as a miss or as misses. Any arrow missing the outermost blue 5-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 a team in one end is more than six (four for Mixed Teams), the six lowest values (four for Mixed Teams) (including the misses) will be entered in the scorecard.

12.2.2.2.

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 six (four for mixed teams), the six lowest values (four for Mixed Teams) (including the misses) will be entered in the scorecard.

12.2.2.3.

For Team/Mixed Team match play, if any member fails to shoot two arrows in a set/end, all such unshot arrows will still form part of that set/end and will be scored as a miss (M). If the total number of arrows, including all unshot arrows in any set/end, exceeds six (or four) arrows, Article 12.2.2. will apply.

12.2.3.

If a fragment of a target face is missing, including the dividing line or where two colours meet, or if an arrow pushes aside the dividing line, then an imaginary circular line will be used for judging the value of any arrow that hits such a part.

12.2.4.

All arrow holes in the scoring zone will be suitably marked by the athletes or their agents every time the arrows are scored and drawn from the target face. The length of the lines will not exceed 5 mm.

12.2.5.

Arrows embedded in the butt and not showing on the face can only be scored by a judge.

12.2.6.

An arrow hitting:

- *another arrow in the nock and remaining embedded therein will score the same value as the arrow struck;*
- *another arrow and deflecting into the target face will score according to the position of the shaft in the target face;*
- *another arrow, and then rebounding, will score the value of the struck arrow, provided the damaged arrow can be identified;*

- *a target face other than an athlete's own target face will be considered part of that end and score as a miss;*
- *outside the outermost scoring zone of the target face, it will score as a miss.*

12.2.6.1.

An arrow hitting the target butt and rebounding will score according to the mark it makes on the target face, provided that a mark can be identified. In the case of a hanging arrow, it will be scored where the point of the arrow/shaft is in the target face.

When a rebound or hanging arrow occurs:

- *All athletes on that target butt will stop shooting but remain on the shooting line, calling a judge.*
- *When all athletes on the shooting line for that end have finished shooting their arrows or the time limit has expired, whichever is appropriate, the director of shooting will interrupt the shooting. The athlete with the rebound or hanging arrow will go to the target butt together with a judge, who will decide the point of impact of the rebound arrow or determine the value of the hanging arrow, note the value, remove the hanging arrow and mark the hole. The judge will later participate in scoring that end. The rebound or hanging arrow is to be left behind the target butt until the complete end has been scored. When the field is clear, the director of shooting will give the signal for those athletes on the target butt where the rebound or hanging arrow occurred to continue shooting.*
- *These athletes will complete their end of three or six arrows before general shooting or scoring is resumed. No other athlete is to occupy the shooting line.*

12.2.6.2.

An arrow hitting the target butt and passing completely through the butt, provided that the judge is satisfied that the position of the arrow on the ground behind the target suggests that the arrow was actually a pass-through and that a hole through which the arrow could have passed can be identified, will score according to the value of the hole identified by the judge.

12.2.6.3

An arrow found on the ground in the shooting lane or behind the target butt, which has been claimed as a bouncer or pass-through, will, in the opinion of the judge(s), have first hit the target butt. If more than one unmarked hole is located in the scoring zone of the target face after a bouncer or pass-through has occurred, the value of the lowest scoring hole will be given to the athlete unless physical evidence indicates the correct score of the arrow.

12.2.7.

In Match Play Rounds, arrows rebounding, passing through the butt or hanging from it will not stop the competition.

12.2.8.

A miss will be recorded as "M" in the scorecard.

12.3. Arrows Left Behind

Athletes are responsible for ensuring that, following scoring, no arrows are left in the target butts before any signal is given to continue shooting.

12.3.1.

If arrows are accidentally left in the target butt, the shooting will not be interrupted. An athlete may shoot that end with other arrows, provided a judge is informed before shooting begins. The judge will participate in the scoring of that end, making sure that the arrows which have remained in the target butt from the previous end were entered in the athlete's scorecard before any arrows are withdrawn from the target butt.

12.4. Scorecards

Scorecards must be signed by the scorer and the athlete, indicating that the athlete agrees with the value of each arrow, the total, the number of 10s and the number of Xs (or 9s for short distance events). If the scorer is participating in the shooting, the scorecard will be signed by another athlete on the same target butt.

12.4.1.

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 score 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 (9s for short distance events) 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 short distance events) are entered on the manual scorecard, no 10s and Xs (9s for short distance 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.*

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 competition.

12.5. Ties

In the event of a tied score, the ranking of the qualification round results will be determined in the following order.

12.5.1.

Except for those ties as set out in Article 12.5.2., tied scores in all rounds are ranked using:

- *Individuals and Teams:*
  - *Long distances:*
    - *The greatest number of Xs (inner 10s).*
    - *If still tied, the greatest number of 10s.*
  - *Short distances:*
    - *The greatest number of 10s.*
    - *If still tied, the greatest number of 9s.*
  - *After this, athletes still tied will be declared equal. However, for the position in the match play chart, a disk toss will decide the position of those declared equal.*

12.5.2.

For ties deciding the entrance to the Elimination Rounds, in Matches, or entrance to the top 8 at events using Book 2, Appendix 3, Image 1: Match Play Chart 104 athletes, byes are permitted, or Book 2, Appendix 3, Image 3: Match Play Chart 24 athletes/teams, byes are permitted, there will be shoot-offs to break the ties. The system of Xs/10s and 10s/9s will not be used.

12.5.2.1.

Ties deciding the entrance to the Elimination Round or entrance to the top 8 will be broken on the distance shot last, as soon as the results of the Qualification Round have been made official.

12.5.2.1.1.

The target set-up for the shoot-offs at long distances will be as follows:

- *For individuals, there will be one athlete per target butt on neutral target butts in the middle of the field. For Compound, only one 80 cm six-ring target face will be placed in the middle of the target butt.*
- *For each team, the following setup will be used on neutral target butts in the middle of the field:*
    - *For Recurve, there will be one target butt with one 122 cm target face.*
    - *For the Compound team, three 80 cm centres with a triangular setup.*
    - *For the Compound Mixed Team, two 80 cm centres in a horizontal setup.*
    - *When multiple centres are used, the team will need to shoot one arrow per centre, with each team member free to decide which centre they will shoot at.*
    - *All athletes from all the teams will shoot simultaneously.*

12.5.2.1.2.

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

- *For individuals, the shoot-off must take place on the same target face type (40 cm face, 40 cm vertical triple face, 40 cm vertical double face, 40 cm triangular triple face) 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 vertical triple faces are used, the athlete will shoot on the middle face. If a triangular triple face is used, the archers will shoot on the upper face.*
- *For the team or mixed team shoot-off, there will be one butt per team. For a vertical triple or double face, it will be turned horizontally. Each team member will decide at which centre the athlete shoots (one arrow per centre).*

12.5.2.2.

Individuals:

- *A single arrow shoot-off for score.*
- *If the score is the same, the arrow closest to the centre of the target face will resolve the tie. If the distance is the same, successive single arrow shoot-offs will be conducted until the tie is resolved.*
- *If both athletes miss the scoring area of the target, both athletes will shoot an additional arrow.*

12.5.2.3.

Teams:

- *A three-arrow (two-arrow for Mixed Team) shoot-off for score, a single arrow by each team member.*
- *If the score is tied, the team with the arrow closest to the centre will win.*
- *If still tied, the second arrow (or third) closest to the centre will determine the winner.*
- *If the tie cannot be resolved, successive shoot-offs will be conducted until the tie is resolved.*

12.5.2.4.

Until official information about shoot-offs is given, athletes will remain on the competition field. An athlete/team that is not present when the official results are announced will forfeit the shoot-off.

12.6. Ranking

At the completion of the event, all athletes/teams/mixed teams will be ranked.

- *Qualification scores will be considered for athletes/teams/mixed teams that do not qualify for the Elimination rounds.*
- *Final ranking positions for athletes/teams/mixed teams eliminated during the elimination round will be determined by the arrow average (rounded to the third decimal place) of the regulation arrows from the stage in which they were eliminated.*
    - *When athletes/teams/mixed teams are tied on the average arrow value of regulation arrows for that stage, they will be ranked among themselves, with those athletes/teams/mixed teams who were eliminated in a shoot-off being ranked in the higher positions according to the average arrow value from the shoot-off.*

CHAPTER 13 CONSEQUENCES OF BREAKING RULES

Below is a summary of the penalties or sanctions applied to athletes or officials when rules are broken. A sanction against an athlete will automatically be applied to his/her coach or official.

13.1. Eligibility

- An athlete found guilty of breaking any eligibility rule may be disqualified from the competition and, if so, will lose any position the athlete may have gained.
- An athlete is not eligible to compete in the World Championships if the athlete's Member Association does not meet the requirements laid down in *Book 2, Article 3.6. Entries*.
- An athlete found competing in a class laid down in *Book 2, Article 4.2. Classes* in which the athlete does not fulfil the requirements will be disqualified from the competition and lose any position gained.

13.2. Doping and Alcohol

- An athlete found to have committed an Anti-Doping Rules violation will be subject to sanctions as laid down in *Book 7 Anti-Doping Rules*.
- *An athlete with a positive alcohol test will be disqualified, and the case will be forwarded to the Board of Justice and Ethics for further sanctions.*
    - *Consequences are:*
        - *Disqualification of the Event.*
        - *1 year of ineligibility for the first offence.*
        - *4 years of ineligibility for the second offence.*
        - *Life ban for the third offence.*

13.3. Losing the Score of an Arrow:

- *An arrow shot before the start signal, after the stop signal, or out of sequence in alternating shooting will cause the athlete or team to lose the highest-scoring arrow of that end, which will be scored as a miss.*
- *In a team match, if any of the team's athletes shoots an arrow before or after the relevant signal to start or finish the time period, that arrow will count as part of that end and cause the team to lose the highest-scoring arrow of that end, which will be scored as a miss.*
- *If an athlete, while drawing the bow with an arrow on the competition field after the director of shooting has officially closed the practice session (which is after the pulling of the practice arrows), before the shooting starts, or during the breaks between*

distances or rounds and releases the arrow, intentionally or otherwise, this will cause the athlete to lose the highest scoring arrow of the next scoring end.

- *When double or triple faces are used, and more than one arrow is shot into the same scoring area, both (or all) arrows count as part of that end, but only the lowest-value arrow will score.*
- *If a team member shoots more than the required number of arrows in alternating shooting before returning behind the 1 m line, the team will lose the highest-scoring arrow(s) of that end.*
- *For the Team Compound Match Round, if more than three arrows (two for Mixed Team) are shot into the same scoring area, only the three lowest (two lowest for Mixed Team) value arrows will score. The other arrow, or arrows, in the same scoring area will be scored as a miss, or as misses.*

The scorer will enter the values of all arrows of that end, but the highest-scoring arrow will be forfeited. This entry on the scorecard will be initialled by a judge assigned to the target.

Interpretation: 2015-Mar-26: Team Round Shooting Out of Sequence

13.4. Warnings:

Athletes may receive one warning for the following. After being warned, those who continue breaking the rules or who do not follow the decisions and directives of the assigned judges will be disqualified.

- *No athlete may touch the equipment of another without the latter's consent.*
- *No athlete may draw a bow, with or without an arrow, except when standing on the shooting line.*
- Athletes or teams repeatedly found shooting more than the permitted number of arrows per end.
- *An athlete may not raise the bow arm until the signal is given to start.*
- *If an athlete repeatedly withdraws arrows from the target before they are scored.*
- *Athletes repeatedly touching arrows or the target face before or during scoring the arrow values.*
- *While shooting is in progress, only those athletes whose turn it is to shoot may be on the shooting line, except for athletes with a classified disability.*
- Smoking, vaping, or using electronic cigarettes is not allowed on the field of play or the practice field.

13.5. Disqualification:

Athletes found to have broken the following rules when scoring has commenced will receive no warning. They will be disqualified and will lose any position gained.

- *Any athlete found to be using equipment contravening World Archery Rules.*
- *An athlete who is proven to have knowingly broken any rules and regulations may be declared ineligible to participate in the competition.*
- *An athlete who, after being told to correct their drawing technique, persists in using a dangerous technique.*
- *Anyone who alters a score without authorisation, falsifies a score, or knowingly has a score altered or falsified.*
- *Unsportsmanlike conduct from any athlete or any person deemed to be assisting the athlete. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated.*

13.6. Team Round Time penalties.

13.6.1.

A judge will raise a yellow card if any of the following occurs:

- *If a member of a team crosses the 1 m line too soon.*
- *If a team member removes an arrow fully from the quiver before being on the shooting line.*
- *A compound archer has their release aid attached to the string before being on the shooting line.*

The yellow card indicates that the athlete must return behind the 1 m line to start over again or be replaced by another athlete with arrows to shoot, who will start from behind the 1 m line.

Interpretation: 2020 - 17 Jul - Judges and Yellow Card

13.6.2.

If the team does not act upon the yellow card and the athlete shoots the arrow, the team will lose the highest-scoring arrow for that end.

CHAPTER 14 PRACTICE

14.1.

At events, practice may take place on the tournament range.

14.1.1.

Practice will consist of 3 ends of practice. Practice ends with the pulling of the practice arrows. The practice targets will be set up at the first distance to be shot by each class. When shooting the Elimination Round and Finals Round, the organisers may decide on the length of the practice period, considering the schedule for each day.

At non World Archery sanctioned events, the number of practice ends may be adjusted if the tournament organisers have published the information in advance.

14.1.1.1.

Other practice facilities will be made available to athletes at least three days before the beginning of the competition.

14.1.2.

For Match Play Rounds, a practice field will be made available where athletes still in the competition may practise during the Elimination and Finals Rounds. The organising committee is not required to provide practice facilities to athletes who have been eliminated.

14.2.

A director of shooting will oversee the official practice field at all times. The director of shooting will give the appropriate signals to start and stop shooting and move forward to collect arrows. No athlete may shoot after the stop-shooting signal is given. Athletes contravening this rule may be banned from the practice session.

14.3.

Any change in the distance at which targets are set will require the prior permission of the director of shooting, who may ask athletes to assist in moving and rearranging targets if necessary.

CHAPTER 15 QUESTIONS AND DISPUTES

15.1.
Any athlete on the target butt will refer any questions about the value of an arrow in the target face to a judge before any arrows are drawn.

15.1.1.
A mistake on the scorecard may be corrected before the arrows are drawn, provided that all the athletes or agents on the target agree on the correction. The correction will be witnessed and initialled by all the athletes/agents on the target. Any other disputes concerning entries on a scorecard will be referred to a judge.

15.1.2.
If range equipment is defective or a target face becomes unreasonably worn or otherwise damaged, an athlete or team manager may request the judges to have the defective item replaced or remedied.

15.2.
Questions concerning the conduct of the shooting or the conduct of an athlete must be referred to a judge before the next stage of the competition.

15.2.1.
Questions regarding any published results will be addressed with the judges without any undue delay and, in any event, will be addressed in time to allow corrections to be made before the prize giving.

CHAPTER 16 TEAM OFFICIALS

16.1.

At International Events, each team participating will be represented by a Team Manager who may or may not be participating in the event.

16.1.1.

The Team Manager will:

- *contact the organisers as soon as possible on arrival;*
- *attend the team managers' meetings called by the organisers, the judges, or the Jury of Appeal;*
- *accompany the team at the equipment inspection;*
- *approach, whenever necessary, the organisers, judges or the Jury of Appeal on behalf of the team athletes;*
- *generally, represent the team in all matters pertaining to the event.*

16.1.2.

A Team Manager may be helped by other team officials (such as coaches, physiotherapists, psychologists, etc.). There may not be more than one team official on the field of play for each athlete competing at the time. However, the maximum number of team officials on the field of play at the same time is four. This may be increased by one official per category if the Member Association has athletes competing in three or more categories at the same time.

16.1.3.

The team official, unless competing, can only be in the designated areas of the field of play as follows:

- *If an official's area has been designated on the Finals field of play, only one team official per athlete/team can be on the field of play and only in the official's area during shooting.*
- *In all other cases, the team officials can only be behind the equipment line unless they are representing the athlete at the target.*

CHAPTER 17 APPEALS

17.1.

If an athlete is not satisfied with a ruling given by the judges, the athlete may, through their Team Manager, appeal to the Jury of Appeal according to *Book 2, Article 3.12. Jury of Appeal*. Trophies or prizes that may be affected by a dispute will not be awarded until the Jury's ruling has been given.

17.2.

The judge's decision on the value of an arrow before it is withdrawn from the target face is final and cannot be appealed.

17.3.

The decision made by a judge in the team round event concerning the use of the yellow card to signal the violations described in Article 13.3. is final and cannot be appealed.

CHAPTER 18 DRESS REGULATIONS

18.1. Definitions

Olympic Games, World Championships, World Ranking Events and World Cup Events are majestic occasions honoured by the attendance of many dignitaries. All athletes, Team Managers and Officials participating in the Opening and Closing Ceremonies must be dressed in the uniform of their respective Member Associations.

18.1.1.

During the Olympic Games, World Championships, World Ranking Events and World Cup Events, athletes and team officials will wear sports clothing on the field of play.

- *All members of one team, by category, will be dressed in the same team uniform. The teams of one country may wear different designs and colours of uniforms. Team officials may wear a different style but must wear the same colours and be easily identified as the officials of their team.*
- *Athletes will wear trousers, shorts, dresses, skirts or divided skirts of their choice. However, this legwear may not be shorter than the athlete's fingertips when the arms and fingers are extended at the athlete's side. They will wear long or short-sleeved shirts, blouses or tops. However, the upper body clothing must be fixed over each shoulder, covering the front and back of the body while still covering the midriff when the athlete is at full draw.*
- *No denim or jeans, regardless of colour, camouflage clothes and equipment may be worn, nor oversized or baggy pants or shorts.*
- *During the Team and Mixed Team match play competition, the same colour and style shirt/blouse/top and the same colour pants/shorts/skirts will be worn.*
- *Due to weather conditions, protective clothing such as sweaters, track-suits, raingear, etc., may be worn following approval by the event's Technical Delegate or, in the Technical Delegate's absence, the chairperson of the Tournament Judge Commission.*
- *Headwear is optional.*
- *During finals with TV coverage, undershirts, compression shirts, or sleeves may be used on condition that they match the predominant colour of the team shirt or are white (they may include designs, names, or markings, but the predominant colour must be white).*
- *During the World Archery Events, each athlete or team will register at least two different uniform tops during the official equipment inspection for use at all Finals*

Venue elimination matches. The registered tops must be of clearly distinguishable colours or designs to ensure adequate visual contrast for spectators, media and broadcast production.

- *The choice of the uniform will be coordinated by the Team Manager or acting Team Manager/coach and confirmed by the Line Judge before each match, with the higher-seeded athlete or team having first choice.*
- *In exceptional circumstances (uniform damage, loss or logistic delays), the Technical Delegate may authorise use of a less visually distinguishable uniform. Failure to register two uniforms will result in an official warning.*

Interpretation: 2023 - 15 November - Sport Leggings
Interpretation: 2023 - 15 December - Camouflage

18.1.2.

Sports shoes will be worn by all athletes and officials except for disabled athletes, when included in their classification card. Sports shoes may be of different styles, but they will cover the entire foot.

Interpretation: 2010 - 2 Mar - Sport Shoes Definition

18.1.3.

Athlete numbers are to be prominently displayed on the athlete's quiver or thigh and always visible from behind the shooting line.

18.1.4.

At the Olympic Games, World Championships, World Cup Events and other World Ranking Events, all athletes will have their name across the back on the shoulder area in combination with the name of their country (or three-letter acronym). The name across the back of the uniform must entirely or partially match the name printed on the athlete's accreditation card. Team officials will have their country's name on the back of their shirts. The name and function of the team official are optional.

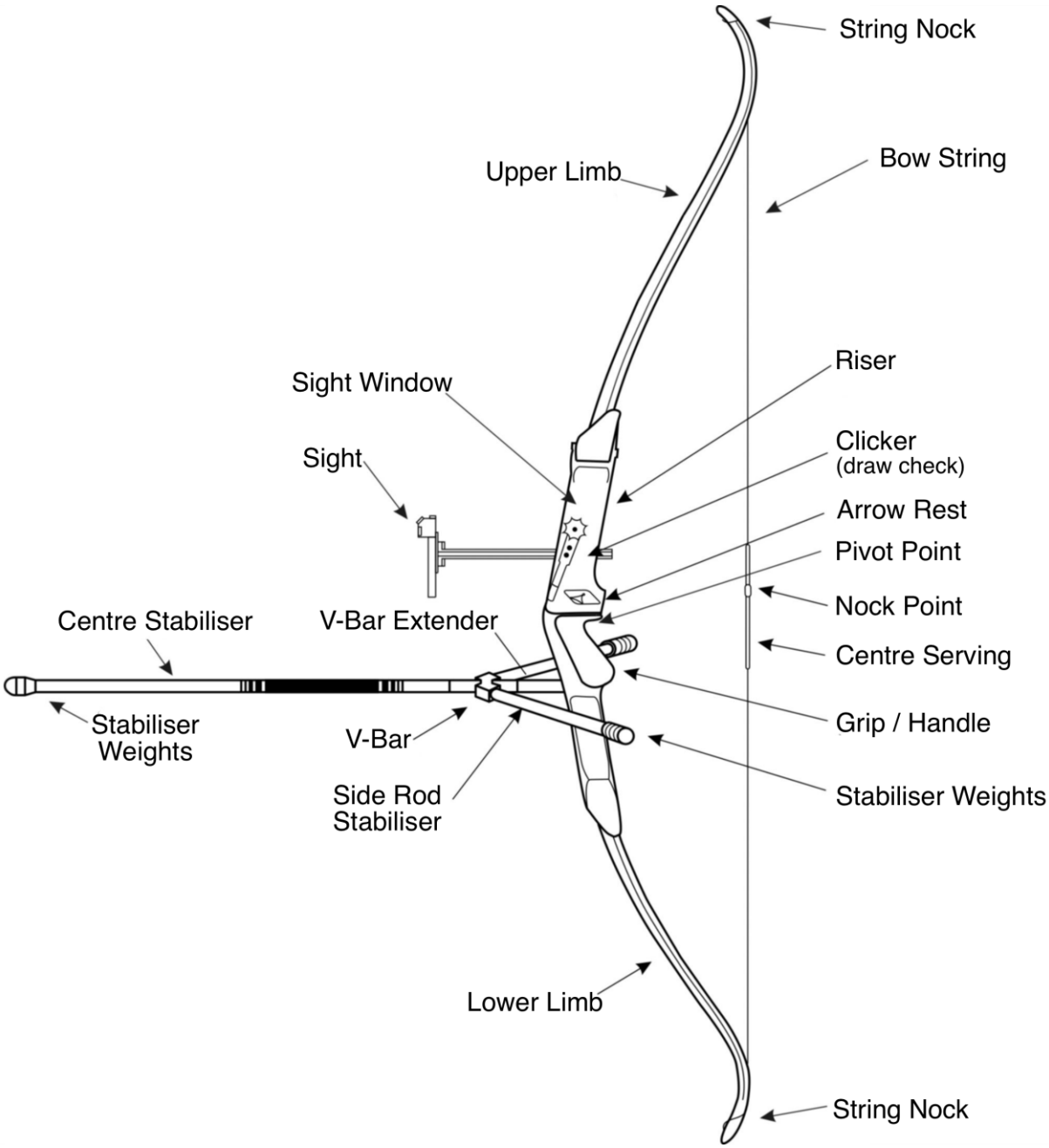
18.1.5.

Athletes and team officials will conform to the dress regulations during the Official Practice.

18.2. Advertising

No advertising of any kind will appear on clothing worn at any time during the tournament except as specified in the eligibility rules. In addition to the eligibility rules, there is an option of having World Archery sponsors.

Appendix 1 Athletes' Equipment



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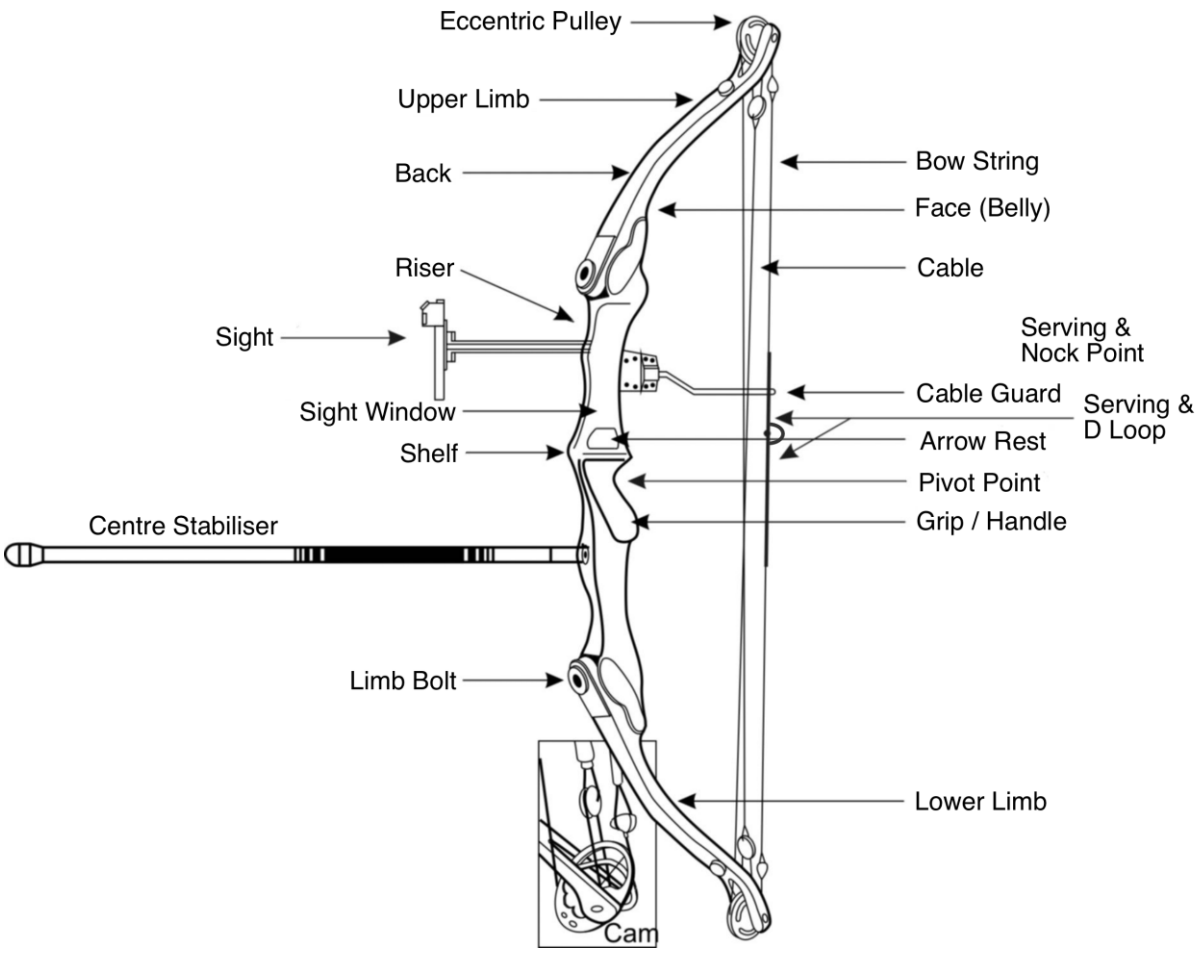

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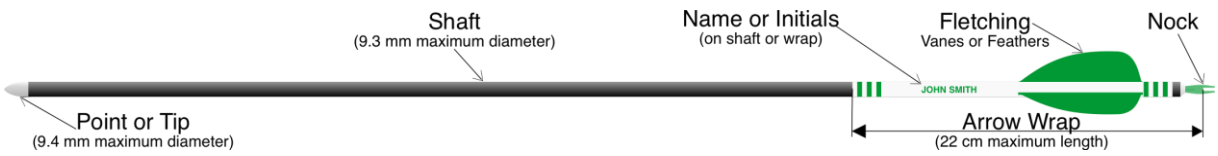

Image 3: Arrow Description