

- Under 16 Female
- Under 16 Male
- Under 14 Female
- Under 14 Male

7.8.2 A Youth athlete may participate in:

Under 14 Class when the competition/event takes place up to and including the year of the athlete's 13th birthday. Under 14 Class may participate in the Under 14, Under 16, Under 18, Under 21 or Open Class.

Under 16 Class when the competition/event takes place up to and including the year of the athlete's 15th birthday. Under 16 Class may participate in the Under 16, Under 18, Under 21 or Open Class.

Under 18 Class when the competition/event takes place up to and including the year of the athlete's 17th birthday. Under 18 Class may participate in the Under 18, Under 21 or Open Class.

Under 21 Class when the competition/event takes place up to and including the year of the athlete's 20th birthday. Under 21 Class may participate in the Open Class.

7.8.3 An athlete may participate in a **50+ Class** in tournaments when the competition takes place in the year of the athlete's 50th birthday and thereafter. An athlete may participate in a **60+ Class** tournament when the competition takes place in the year of the athlete's 60th birthday and thereafter. An athlete may participate in a **70+ Class** tournament when the competition takes place in the year of the athlete's 70th birthday and thereafter.

An athlete in any of these age Classes shall be eligible to compete in their own age group or a lower age (non-youth) Class.

- 7.8.4 A Youth, 50+, 60+ or 70+ athlete may choose to compete in the senior (open) Class at the athlete's discretion.
- 7.8.5 Athletes are not permitted to enter more than one concurrent event.

7.9 Divisions

- 7.9.1 Athletes using different types of bows are grouped into separate Divisions and compete in separate events.
- 7.9.2 At the discretion of the Organising Committee, athletes in different Divisions may be required to compete for the same awards.
- 7.9.3 The following Divisions are recognised for Outdoor Target, Indoor Target, Field and Clout Archery:
 - Recurve Bow Division, equipment as specified in Rule 8.1
 - Compound Bow Division, equipment as specified in Rule 8.1
 - Barebow Recurve Division, equipment as specified in Rule 8.1
 - Barebow Compound Division, equipment as specified in Rule 8.3
 - Longbow Division, equipment as specified in Rule 8.2
 - Crossbow Division, equipment as specified in Chapter 15

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- 7.9.4 For Flight Archery, the following Divisions are recognised:
 - Recurve Bow Flight Division, equipment as specified in Rule 13.3
 - Compound Bow Flight Division, equipment as specified in Rules 13.3 and 8.3
 - Freestyle Flight Division, equipment as specified in Rule 13.3
 - Longbow Flight Division, equipment as specified in Rules 13.3 and 8.8
 - Crossbow Flight Division, equipment as specified in Chapter 15.

The above are divided into weight Sub-Divisions and Classes as described in Rule 13.3.1.3 and Schedule 15C.3 (Crossbows).

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7.10 Categories

The combination of a Class and a Division is called a "Category", as follows:

Recurve	
Female Recurve	Under 21 Female Recurve
Male Recurve	Under 21 Male Recurve
50+ Female Recurve	Under 18 Female Recurve
50+ Male Recurve	Under 18 Male Recurve
60+ Female Recurve	Under 16 Female Recurve
60+ Male Recurve	Under 16 Male Recurve
70+ Female Recurve	Under 14 Female Recurve
70+ Male Recurve	Under 14 Male Recurve

Compound	
Female Compound	Under 21 Female Compound
Male Compound	Under 21 Male Compound
50+ Female Compound	Under 18 Female Compound
50+ Male Compound	Under 18 Male Compound
60+ Female Compound	Under 16 Female Compound
60+ Male Compound	Under 16 Male Compound
70+ Female Compound	Under 14 Female Compound
70+ Male Compound	Under 14 Male Compound

³⁷ Para Archers	
Para Male (Open Recurve)	Para Female (Open Recurve)
Para Male (Open Compound)	Para Female (Open Compound)
Para W1 Male (Open)	Para W1 Female (Open)
V1 (Recurve/Compound, Male/Female)	V2/V3 (Recurve/Compound, Male/Female)

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 $^{^{}m 37}$ Para table added, effective 1 January, 2018



Barebow	
Female Barebow Recurve	Under 21 Female Barebow Recurve
Male Barebow Recurve	Under 21 Male Barebow Recurve
50+ Female Barebow Recurve	Under 18 Female Barebow Recurve
50+ Male Barebow Recurve	Under 18 Male Barebow Recurve
60+ Female Barebow Recurve	Under 16 Female Barebow Recurve
60+ Male Barebow Recurve	Under 16 Male Barebow Recurve
70+ Female Barebow Recurve	Under 14 Female Barebow Recurve
70+ Male Barebow Recurve	Under 14 Male Barebow Recurve
Female Barebow Compound	Under 21 Female Barebow Compound
Male Barebow Compound	Under 21 Male Barebow Compound
50+ Female Barebow Compound	Under 18 Female Barebow Compound
50+ Male Barebow Compound	Under 18 Male Barebow Compound
60+ Female Barebow Compound	Under 16 Female Barebow Compound
60+ Male Barebow Compound	Under 16 Male Barebow Compound
70+ Female Barebow Compound	Under 14 Female Barebow Compound
70+ Male Barebow Compound	Under 14 Male Barebow Compound

Longbow	
Female Longbow	Under 21 Female Longbow
Male Longbow	Under 21 Male Longbow
50+ Female Longbow	Under 18 Female Longbow
50+ Male Longbow	Under 18 Male Longbow
60+ Female Longbow	Under 16 Female Longbow
60+ Male Longbow	Under 16 Male Longbow
70+ Female Longbow	Under 14 Female Longbow
70+ Male Longbow	Under 14 Male Longbow

Crossbow	
Female Crossbow	60+ Male Crossbow
Male Crossbow	Under 21 Female Crossbow
50+ Female Crossbow	Under 21 Male Crossbow
50+ Male Crossbow	Under 18 Female Crossbow
60+ Female Crossbow	Under 18 Male Crossbow

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7.11 ³⁸Dress Regulations

7.11.1 These dress regulations shall apply to all open tournaments and QREs.

The dress regulations for all other activities shall be determined by the Organising Committee and shall be duly indicated in any entry information.

It is the responsibility of athletes to ensure they comply with these regulations.

Visiting athletes are also required to comply with the Archery Australia Dress Regulations.

- 7.11.2 Athletes shall be neatly and cleanly dressed. Such attire may be White, Club, RGB or National Uniform or Archery related merchandise.
- 7.11.3 During inclement weather conditions athletes may wear suitable protective clothing at their discretion.
- 7.11.4 Shoes or boots shall be worn at all times by athletes and these shall cover the entire foot; sandals or thongs are not permitted
- 7.11.5 Advertising or sponsors' logos are permitted.
- 7.11.6 The following items of clothing are not permitted:
 - Clothing with inappropriate or offensive images, slogans or advertising
 - Untidy, unclean, damaged or torn clothing
 - Clothing with "camouflage colours", which may be trademarked or other digital designs, whether random or not and regardless of colours used, consist of natural material camouflage patterns such as bark, twigs, or leaves that are used for the purpose of blending in with natural environments thereby providing less visibility.

(Clothing with non-traditional colours such as pinks, blues, bright yellow, etc. in camouflage patterns that are used in designs for the purpose of blending in with natural environments providing less visibility are also considered camouflage.)

7.12 ³⁹Organising Committees

- 7.12.1 The host entrusted with the organisation of an open tournament or an event shall appoint an Organising Committee to be responsible for the control and conduct of the tournament.
- 7.12.2 The Organising Committee, subject to the terms of reference of the host by which it was appointed, shall be responsible for making arrangements for the tournament entrusted to them by:

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^{38 7.11} amended, effective 1 January, 2018

³⁹ 7.12 amended, effective 1 January, 2018



- deciding the amount for entry fees;
- providing appropriate trophies and prizes at their discretion and any engraving thereon;
- providing facilities, equipment;
- undertaking all other functions associated with such tournaments.
- 7.12.3 The Organising Committee shall be in entire control of the tournament until it hands over the shooting control and conduct of events on each day to the DoS and Judges. It shall resume control at the conclusion of competition each day, provided that the Organising Committee shall always remain in control of those matters which are not connected with the conduct of the field of play.
- 7.12.4 Any matter not finally decided by the DoS, Judges or Field Assistants shall be determined by a Jury of Appeal or, if one is not available, by the Organising Committee.

7.13 Target Assignments

7.13.1 The Organising Committee shall determine how they will assign archers to targets by either:

Determining each archer's skill level as part of the entry process and allocating archers to targets with a like skill level.

OR

Randomly allocating athletes at their discretion.

- 7.13.2 Where, in special circumstances, the assignments cannot be made in this manner, they may be drawn by lot or partly by "seeding" and by lot or by the DoS. The principle of placing athletes with similar skill at the same target should be adopted as far as is possible.
- 7.13.3 The number of athletes assigned to a target shall be a maximum of 4 and where practical a minimum of two in Outdoor and Indoor Target Archery and a maximum of four and where practical a minimum of three in Field Archery. The number of athletes assigned to a target in Clout Archery, where practical, there will be a maximum of twenty-five and a minimum of six.

7.14 Entries

- 7.14.1 An entry for an event in a tournament shall be made in the real name of the athlete and entries shall close at such time before the tournament as the Organising Committee shall determine.
- 7.14.2 The Organising Committee may not refuse to accept, or cancel the acceptance of any entry, without stating a reason. However they may permit an archer to compete subject to inquiry.
- 7.14.3 The events at a National Tournament shall be open only to members of the Association. The Organising Committee may invite archers from other bodies to participate.
- 7.14.4 An event in a tournament shall be open to all members unless the conditions specifically restrict it by sex, age or otherwise.

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- 7.14.5 An entry in a team event may be made by an authorised officer of the organisation entering the team, or by the Team Captain.
- 7.14.6 An event may take place with one competitor.
- 7.14.7 Medals will be awarded to all placegetters.
- 7.14.8 Athletes entering a Class in which they are not entitled to compete shall be disqualified from the event and not transferred under any circumstances to another Class after the event has commenced. The onus of entering correctly shall rest with the athlete concerned and the conducting body shall not be obliged to amend the entry.
- 7.14.9 Athletes may only receive awards for events in which they have entered.
- 7.14.10 Entry into events may be restricted to archers who:
 - Have not recorded the stated performance in any event
 - Are in a stated classification at any nominated time
 - Have achieved or exceeded a certain stated performance.
- 7.14.11 Males shall not compete in events against Females and vice versa, with the exception of mixed team competition.

7.15 ⁴⁰Postponements

7.15.1 Refer to Archery Australia Tournament Management Policy.

7.16 Competitions

- 7.16.1 Lost or Broken Equipment
 - 7.16.1.1 Refer to World Archery rules and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time relating to the procedures for Equipment Failure.
- 7.16.2 Delays and Interruptions
 - 7.16.2.1 An athlete shall not hold up an event or a group whilst searching for arrows, or for any other reason.
 - 7.16.2.2 A DoS shall not unduly delay any event because of a loss or breakage of tackle, searching for arrows or any other reason.
 - 7.16.2.3 Shooting may be interrupted only on account of bad weather, a serious accident or in an emergency and then only by the direction of the DoS. In an emergency the Judges or Field Assistants may also interrupt the shooting.
 - 7.16.2.4 Athletes shall provide themselves with sufficient equipment for proper participation in an event. If at any time they are unable to continue, refer to World Archery rules for Outdoor Target, Indoor Target and Field Archery, AA rules for Clout Archery; and WCSA rules for the appropriate procedures:

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7.16.2.5 An athlete, correctly entered in an event, but arriving late may, at the absolute discretion of the DoS, be permitted to compete on such target, in such place or group as the athlete shall be then assigned, but shall forfeit the number of arrows already shot, unless the DoS is satisfied that the athlete was delayed by circumstances beyond the athlete's control. In which case the athlete may be allowed to make up the arrows lost after the distance then being shot has been completed. No more than 12 arrows shall be so made up.

7.17 Coaching

7.17.1 Refer to current World Archery Rules and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time.

7.18 Teams

7.18.1 Types of Teams

There shall be two types of teams, namely:

1) Teams Selected Prior to Shooting

The names of members from which teams will be selected should be advised with the entry for the tournament. The composition of the team should be advised before the first day of competition of the tournament. This does not apply to National Championships.

2) Teams Selected at Conclusion of Shooting

The best performances of nominated athletes from the organisation participating shall constitute a team selected after shooting has concluded for that particular event or tournament. This form of team selection may be applied to team entry into a subsequent event.

- 7.18.2 Team Composition
 - 7.18.2.1 Team composition shall be at the discretion of the tournament organisers and clearly stated on the entry form, refer Chapter Three:

 Championships.
- 7.18.3 Teams General
 - 7.18.3.1 The team performance shall be the aggregate of the team members' scores for the event or tournament.
 - 7.18.3.2 Teams of less than the stated number may compete as a complete team.

 A member of a team cannot count two or more performances in order to make up a shortage in team numbers.
 - 7.18.3.3 An athlete who is a member of more than one club, RGB or Association must state on the entry, the body for which the athlete is competing.
- 7.18.4 Coaching
 - 7.18.4.1 Refer to current World Archery Rules and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time

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7.19 41Tournament Officials

7.19.1 Director of Shooting

- 7.19.1.1 At tournaments, the Director of Shooting (DoS) shall direct, oversee and manage all competitions (events), the conduct of all athletes, enforce the rules applicable; and adjudicate on all competition matters not otherwise provided for.
- 7.19.1.2 At National and Youth National Championships, the Officials Committee, in consultation with the organisers shall appoint the DoS who, wherever possible shall be a National Judge.
- 7.19.1.3 The DoS will not have any other tasks during the hours of competition, nor take part in the shooting.
- 7.19.1.4 In liaison with the Tournament Judge Commission, the DoS may interrupt shooting if necessary due to weather conditions, power failures, a serious accident or such occurrences; but must ensure, if at all possible, each day's program is completed that day.

7.19.2 Judging

Refer to World Archery Rules for duties and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time.

7.19.3 General⁴²

- 7.19.3.1 For QREs and Open Tournaments, including Archery Australia registered Tournaments, World Archery (or WCSA) Tournaments, State and National Tournaments, the names of all Officials (i.e. Director of Shooting & Judges or Event Judge) shall be entered by the event organiser into the approved electronic scoring system, within seven days of the event's completion.
- 7.19.3.2 To be valid, a QRE, an Archery Australia registered tournament, a World Archery (or WCSA) tournament, or a National Tournament must have the names of the Officials entered in accordance with 7.19.3.1.

7.20 ⁴³Scorers

- 7.20.1 Scoring at all open tournaments & QREs must be undertaken at each target using either double scorecards or one scorecard and an electronic scoring device.
- 7.20.2 Scorecards must be Archery Australia approved scorecards.
- 7.20.3 All scores must be entered into an approved Results and Scoring Program "arrow by arrow".
- 7.20.4 Arrow values shall be called in descending order and entered onto the scorecard and into the electronic scoring device independently. The scorer using a scorecard shall add up the arrow values and then check

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^{41 7.19} amended, effective 1 January, 2018

⁴² 7.19.3 new clause, effective 1 January, 2021

⁴³ 7.20 re-written, effective 1 January, 2018



against the electronic score. If an error is found in additions and/or totals these should be changed at this time. (If double-scorecards are used, the same general process applies.)

- 7.20.5 If an error is found in the entering of the value of an arrow on the scorecard, this may be changed providing no arrows have been removed from the target. Such a change can only be made by a Judge (or QRE Official at a QRE) after witnessing the arrows in the target. The Judge shall make the change in arrow value and duly sign the change in the area provided (Judges will use red ink for such changes) and ensure the other score sheet or electronic record matches.
- 7.20.6 At the completion of the round, the archer and one witness are to sign the scorecards, to indicate agreement with the arrow values recorded.(Refer to Archery Australia Results and Scoring Policy 1075).
- 7.20.7 A competitor with an injury, medical condition, equipment failure or personal need, which prevents them from participating in the scoring process, may appoint an agent who may be a Judge or another competing archer (on their target or neighbouring target), to carry out the scoring function(s) on their behalf. A non-competing person may only be appointed if accredited by the Organising Committee with authorisation to access the field of play for the event.

All such appointments and actions must only be undertaken with the approval of a Judge.

7.21 Questions and Disputes

7.21.1 Refer to current World Archery Rules and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time.

Outdoor and Indoor Target Events: A mistake on a scoresheet discovered before the arrows are drawn may be corrected, but the correction must be made and initialled by a Judge or Director of Shooting before the arrows are drawn. If the arrows have been drawn, no corrections to the arrow values as written on the scoresheet shall be permitted.

7.22 Appeals

7.22.1 Refer to current World Archery Rules and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time.

7.23 ⁴⁴Consequences of Breaking Rules

7.23.1 Refer to current World Archery Rules and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time.

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⁴⁴ 7.23 amended, effective 1 January, 2018



⁴⁵Jury of Appeal

7.23.2 For a National level tournament, a Jury of Appeal consisting of three individual affiliates shall be appointed by the Tournament Organising Committee or organisers. These should be experienced Individual Affiliates who are not involved in the organisation, management or conduct of the tournament.

For State Championships and any open tournament, a Jury of Appeal of three individual affiliates as deemed necessary by the organisers shall be appointed.

- 7.23.3 Where a Jury of Appeal has not been appointed, the Organising Committee shall assume this role, having regard to eliminating real or perceived conflicts of interest.
- 7.23.4 All decisions of the Jury of Appeal are final.

Refer to current World Archery Rules Chapter 3 - Jury of Appeal for the appropriate procedures and duties and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time.

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⁴⁵ 7.24 amended, effective 1 January, 2018



Chapter Eight: Athletes' Equipment

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8.1 ⁴⁶General

8.1.1 For all specifications relating to athletes' equipment: Recurve, Compound and Barebow Recurve, refer to current World Archery Rules and any amendments that may be introduced from time to time.

For other equipment (Barebow Compound and Longbow), refer to Archery Australia Shooting Rules. For Crossbow, refer to Chapter 15.

8.2 Longbow

8.2.1 The bow

- 8.2.1.1 The bow shall correspond to the traditional form of a longbow which means that, when strung, the string may not touch any other part of the bow but the string nocks. Two or three piece take-down bows are permitted. Centre shot is allowed.
- 8.2.1.2 The bow may be made from any type of material or combination of material. The shape of the grip and the limbs are not restricted.
- 8.2.1.3 If the bow has an arrow shelf, that shelf may be used as an arrow rest. It may be covered with any type of soft material, but conventional arrows rests as used on Recurve or Compound Bows are not permitted.
- 8.2.1.4 The bow as described above must be bare, except for the arrow rest, and free from protrusions, sight marks, marks or blemishes or laminated pieces (within the bow window area), which could be of use in aiming.
- 8.2.1.5 The un-braced bow complete with permitted accessories shall be capable of passing through a hole or ring of 12.2 cm inside diameter ±0.5 mm.

8.2.2 Bow length

8.2.2.1 For Female, Under 18s and younger Classes the bow length shall not be less than 150 cm in length and for Under 21, Open, 50+, 60+ and 70+ the bow length shall be not less than 160 cm in length. The length of a bow is measured between the string nocks on the back of the bow when the bow is unstrung.

8.2.3 Arrows

- 8.2.3.1 An arrow consists of a shaft with head (point), nock, fletching and, if desired, cresting. All arrows of athletes shall be marked with the athlete's name or initials on the shaft. All arrows used in any one end shall be identical and will carry the same pattern and colour(s) of fletching, nocks and cresting, if any. Only natural feathers shall be used as fletching.
- 8.2.3.2 Arrows may be fitted with target (bullet, chisel or conical shaped) or field points (screw-in or glue on) designed for target or field shooting that do

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⁴⁶ 8.1 amended, effective 1 January, 2018



- not cause undue damage to target faces or butts may be used. There is no restriction on the weight of arrow points.
- 8.2.3.3 The maximum diameter of an arrow shaft will not exceed 9.3 mm, the point for these arrows may have a maximum diameter of 9.4 mm.
- 8.2.3.4 Wood and aluminium arrows are permitted, but carbon or carbon/aluminium composites are **not** permitted.
- 8.2.3.5 Hunting arrows or arrows fitted with hunting heads or arrowheads with a historical or traditional design are **not** permitted.

8.2.4 Accessories

8.2.4.1 Accessories permitted are:

- Finger Protection in the form of finger tabs or shooting gloves, provided they do not incorporate any device to hold back, draw and release the string. The stitching on the tabs shall be uniform in colour and marks or lines shall be uniform in size, shape and colour.
- Bracers (arm guards), dress shield, bow sling, belt or ground quiver and tassel.
- String silencers or vibration dampeners providing they shall not end within the athlete's vision at full draw.
- Vibration dampeners (limb savers), lightweight string material on the bow to act as a wind indicator.
- Foot markers are permitted providing they do not protrude more than 1 cm above the ground.
- Field Glasses, telescopes or other optical aids may be used for spotting arrows, provided they do not represent any obstacle to other athletes on the Shooting Line or Shooting Pegs.
- Prescription spectacles, shooting spectacles and sunglasses may be worn. None of these may be fitted with micro-hole in lenses, or similar devices, nor may they be marked in any way that can assist in aiming. The spectacle glass of the non-sighting eye may be fully covered or taped, or an eye patch may be used.

8.2.4.2 Accessories not permitted are:

- Any kind of range-finding or angle-measuring device or equipment (e.g. scales) incorporated or detached
- Sight or sight mark(s) on the bow that may assist as aids to aiming
- Weights, stabilisers or vibration dampening devices
- Draw check indicators
- Plastic or synthetic fletching
- An anchor plate or similar device attached to the finger protection (finger tabs, shooting gloves or thumb rings) for the purpose of anchoring
- Additional memoranda for estimating distances and markings on the bow or other accessories.

8.2.5 Shooting

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- 8.2.5.1 All rules governing the Barebow Division shall apply to the Longbow Division with the exception of specific matters detailed in these rules.
- 8.2.5.2 The Longbow Division athletes shall shoot using the Mediterranean release that is, one finger above and two fingers below the arrow or three fingers directly below the arrow nock (index finger no more than 2 mm below the nock), with one fixed anchor point.
- 8.2.5.3 The athlete must choose either Mediterranean or three fingers under the nock, but may not use both.
- 8.2.5.4 Finger protection for three fingers under must have a continuous surface or connected fingerstalls, with no ability to shoot split finger. No string walking or face walking is permitted.

8.3 Barebow Compound Equipment

- 8.3.1 Barebow Compound Equipment shall comply with the following:
 - 8.3.1.1 A bow of any type may be used provided that it complies with the requirements in these Rules for Compound Equipment.
 - 8.3.1.2 The bow (no shoot-through riser types are permitted) must be bare and free from any protrusions, marks, sight-marks, blemishes or laminated pieces which could be used, consciously or unconsciously, as an aiming reference. Multi coloured risers, trademarks located on the inside of the upper limb, limb savers and light weight string on the bow as a wind indicator, are permitted.
 - 8.3.1.3 One straight single rod stabiliser and weight(s), which may be fitted with a single vibration dampening device attached to either end of the rod (or weights) is permitted. The whole assembly may protrude no more than 305 mm in a straight line from the bow. Angular mounting devices are not permitted.
 - 8.3.1.4 Where a bow is manufactured without provision for a low cable-guard, then the cable guard may be fitted to the sight attachment holes. If the bow is drilled and tapped for a low cable-guard, then the low cable-guard position must be used.
 - 8.3.1.5 The bow-string made up of any number of strands (which may be of different colours) of the material chosen for the purpose. It may have a central serving to accommodate the drawing fingers (release aids are **not** permitted) and a nocking point consisting of one or two nock locaters may be added to the string serving. Suitable string termination for connection to bow or cables is permitted.
 - 8.3.1.6 The serving on the string must not end within the archer's vision at the full draw position. The bow-string and bow cables must not in any way offer additional aid in aiming through a peephole, marking, or any other means.
 - 8.3.1.7 The arrow rest may incorporate a moveable pressure button, pressure point or arrow plate and as well may be of the shoot around, shoot over or spring loaded (vertical and horizontal) style, but must not incorporate a drop away action which has the rest raised into position prior to or upon

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- draw using rubber tubing, spring, a cable, magnetic or mechanical set up and drops away upon release. The pressure point in all types may not be placed further back than 6 cm (inside) from the throat of the handle (pivot point) of the bow.
- 8.3.1.8 Finger protection in the form of finger stalls or tips, gloves, shooting tab or tape (plaster) to draw, hold back and release the string are permitted, provided they are smooth with no device to help to hold and/or release the string.
- 8.3.1.9 Shooting tabs may be built up of several layers of any material suitable for their use and allow for the part of the tab behind that used for drawing the string to be stiff using different materials for this build-up (the latter can be leather, plastic, metal, etc.). No shapes have been specified and no limitations in respect of sizes set.
- 8.3.1.10 An anchor plate or similar device attached to the finger protection may be used for the purpose of anchoring.
- 8.3.1.11 A separator between the fingers to prevent pinching the arrow may be used.
- 8.3.1.12 Finger protection may not have marks indications, scales or other such means to identify placement of the drawing hand fingers on the bowstring, subject to the following:
- 8.3.1.13 Symmetrical stitching or screws, etc are allowed provided they are used by the manufacturer for the purpose of holding separate layers of the tab together.
- 8.3.1.14 Stitching evident for the purpose of aiming or distance refinement must be covered. Marks that are the result of natural wear are acceptable.
- 8.3.1.15 An ordinary glove, mitten or similar may be worn on the bow hand but must not be attached to the grip.
- 8.3.1.16 Release aids are **not** permitted.
- 8.3.1.17 Arrows of any type may be used provided they are uniform in length and size and they subscribe to the accepted principle and meaning of the word arrow as used in target archery and that such arrows do not cause undue damage to target faces and buttresses.
- 8.3.1.18 An arrow consists of a shaft with head (point), nock, fletching and if desired, cresting. The maximum diameter of arrow shafts shall not exceed 9.3 mm, the heads (points) shall not exceed 9.4 mm. (see Appendix 8C for diagram)
- 8.3.1.19 The arrows of each athlete shall be marked with the athlete's name or initials on the shaft and all arrows used for the same end arrows shall carry the same pattern and colour(s) of fletching, nocks and cresting if any. The archer's name or initials shall be on the shaft in the area of the fletching or in the area which may be provided by the manufacturer. All arrows used in any one end shall be identical and will carry the same pattern and colour(s) of fletching, nocks and cresting, if any.

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- 8.3.1.20 Prescription spectacles, field glasses, telescopes and other visual aids may be used for spotting arrows provided they do not represent any obstacle to other competitors as far placement on the shooting line is concerned.
- 8.3.1.21 Prescription spectacles or shooting spectacles or sunglasses are allowed.

 None may be fitted with micro-hole lenses, or similar devices, or marked in any way, which can assist in aiming. The non-sighting eye may be fully covered.
- 8.3.1.22 Accessories are permitted such as bracers (arm guards), dress shield (chest guard), bow-sling, belt or ground quiver, tassel and foot markers (which shall not protrude more than 10 mm above the ground), limb savers, a tripod for a scope (providing it does not create an obstacle for any other competitor on the shooting line), wind indicators (non-electric or non-electronic) may be attached to the equipment used on the shooting line (e.g. light ribbons), electronic wind indicators, which may only be used behind the shooting line).

8.3.1.23 Accessories not permitted are:

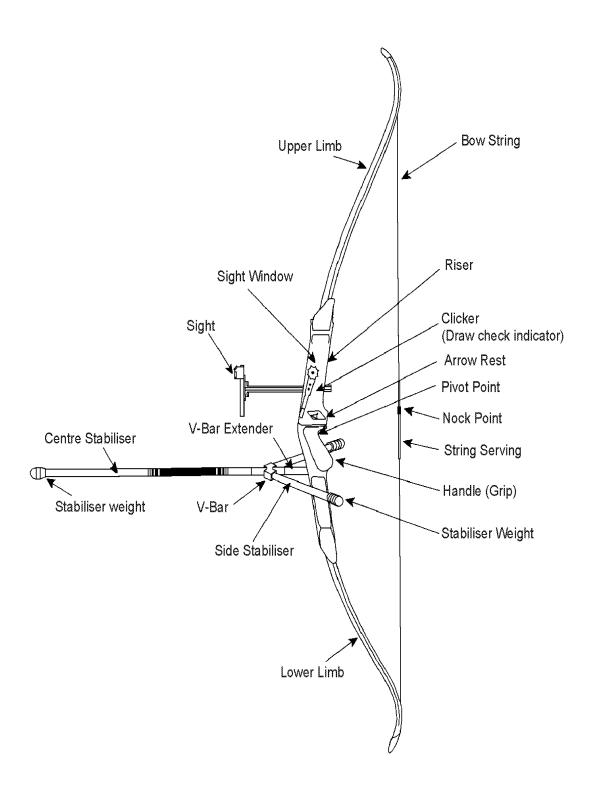
- Any kind of range-finding or angle-measuring device or equipment (e.g. scales) incorporated or detached
- A sight or draw check indicator (audible or visual)

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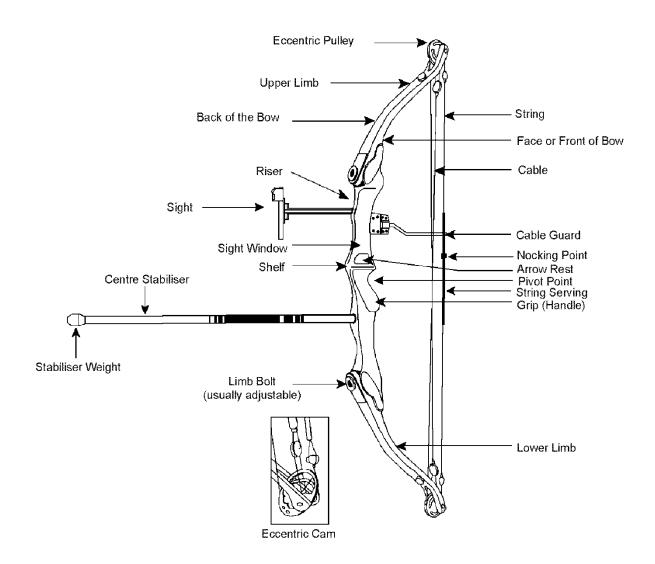
APPENDIX 8A - Recurve Bow



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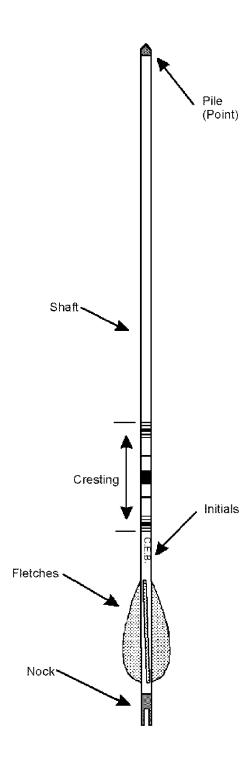
APPENDIX 8B - Compound Bow



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APPENDIX 8C - Arrow



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Chapter Nine: Outdoor Target Archery

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9.1 Rounds

9.1.1 The Association recognises that any combination of target face and distance can constitute an event; however only those rounds listed in Schedule 4B may be used as the basis of an Association record claim. A variety of standard combinations is given in Schedule 9A for information. Attention is drawn to Chapter 4 – Records, Classifications, Ratings & Handicaps regarding the requirements for Classifications.

9.2 Range Layouts

9.2.1 Recommended range layouts for major and minor tournaments are as shown in the following figures or refer to World Archery Rules. A recommended range layout for Crossbow tournaments is shown in Chapter 15 Appendix 15A.

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