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## The Archery Way

### Competing with Honesty and Integrity

As archers, we strive to shoot our best while competing with integrity. Honesty is an expectation, sportsmanship and composure, an obligation. We encourage others and understand our responsibility to self-officiate and protect the field with an overall goal of bringing the archery way into everyday life.

## AGA TOURNAMENT SANCTIONED RULES & PROTOCOLS FOR AGA-SA BULLS EYE AND 3D AS FROM JANUARY 2023

AGA relies heavily on Coordinators that manage the program within their respective jurisdictions and will continue to do so for determining eligibility of all schools within their jurisdictions under these rules.

***AGA officials reserve the right to make on site determination of any situation not covered by these rules.  
AGA officials' decisions are final.***

**New for 2023:-** Except for inconsequential language edits, rule changes are in **yellow** highlights.

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### 1. (TOURNAMENT AND COMPETITION RULES): -

1.1. Every competitor archer must attend a school/club/church offering AGA/Centre Shot Lessons and **must be a registered and paid-up member of AGA SA.**

1.2. A student, who no longer attends an AGA registered school due to having moved, promoted, etc. is ineligible to participate in a tournament until/unless this student joins an AGA Club or Centre Shot Church.

1.3. A student who is home-schooled may only participate if the home school has enrolled in AGA and provides AGA archery lessons.

1.4. EXCEPT: Some home-schooled students receive various instruction, including Physical Education, from AGA clubs, public or private schools **in the presence of a certified and active/paid up AGA Instructor.**

If a home-schooled student receives archery lessons while attending classes at an AGA Club, Centre Shot Church, public or private school that is enrolled in AGA that student may participate for the Centre Shot Church, home school or the Club where the archer receives archery classes.

1.5. Only students who are in grades 4-12 by the date of the tournament may participate **as Junior Archers**

1.6. Student in grade 2 and 3 will participate in their own category called CUBS/WELPIES

1.6.1 Where a student in this category is competent enough to follow all the rules and regulations of the other two categories. He or she will be allowed to shoot with the Junior Archers category.

1.7. AGA bullseye archery teams must contain 12-24 students, at least 4 of which must be of the opposite gender.

1.8. AGA 3D archery teams must contain 6 – 24 students, at least 2 of which must be of the opposite gender

1.9. A school, club or Centre Shot Church may register as many teams as they like per school and or individuals.

1.10 Please take note and remember that AGA is a school sport and teams will only be acknowledged as part of the same school.

1.11. If the school contains fewer than 150 AGA eligible students (combination of grades 4-12) the team may be comprised of students from other participating AGA schools in the same city, province, or school district. Eligible AGA schools can join together until a total of 150 AGA eligible students (combination of grades 4-12) are met based on the following rules:

1.11.1. A high school with fewer than 150 AGA® eligible students can add archers from another AGA high school or secondary school in the same city or school district.

1.11.2. A secondary school with fewer than 150 AGA eligible students can add archers from another AGA secondary school in the same city or school district

1.11.3. A school with more than 150 AGA eligible archers may not add archers to their team from another school.

1.11.4. If a student shoots up for a higher division team, that student will be competing for team rank in that older division, but retain individual rank according to the archer's actual grade.

1.11.5. Unless utilizing this “small school rule”, students may only shoot on a team at the AGA school.

### **1.12. Single Gender School: -**

If a school is single gender school, the school shall compete as a single-gender-only **team** unless eligible to combine with another school under the small school rule (section 1.13). The coach should contact the Provincial Coordinator for their Provincial to set the single gender indicator for the school. Once set, the team score for the school/division is determined by summing the top 12 scores for the team with no consideration of gender.

**1.13 Small School: -** If a competitive division within a AGA school has a total student enrolment of less than 150 students, the team for that division may add students from another competitive division within their school or from a competitive division at another AGA participating school in the same city, or school district.

1.13.1. The team may continue to add students from other divisions within their school or from divisions at other participating AGA schools in the same city, or school district (one school/division at a time) until a total student enrolment of 150 is met or exceeded.

1.13.2. A competitive division within a school with 150 students (or more) enrolled may not add archers to their team from another school or division within their school.

1.13.3. If a student shoots up for a higher division team, that student will be competing for team rank in that older division but retain individual rank according to the archer's actual grade.

1.13.4. Unless utilizing this “small school rule”, students may only shoot on a team at the AGA® school they attend.

**1.14. AGA** is a school programme for grade 4 to 12 also catering for adults AAG (Adult Archery Generation) from after school or the year he/she turns 20. If a school administration deems a student unsuited to represent the school, AGA will abide by the decision.

1.14.1 AAG archers cannot participate for a school and must therefore join a registered AGA Club and shoot for that Club.

1.14.2 All different AGA categories will abide to the AGA – SA Rules and regulations.

**1.15.** An AGA-SA or AGA national team will consist out of 16 archers and consist out of a minimum of 6 archers of the opposite gender.

**1.16.** Due to unforeseen circumstances, a minimum of 14 archers may shoot as a team and the one or two missing archer's score/s will be the lowest score of the scoring teams archer.

**2. Equipment:** - Only **equipment specified for use in AGA may be used in the tournament**. AGA has been selected to be as universal-fit as possible to make administration of the program most suitable for in-school teaching. The programme would be too complicated if multiple bows, arrows, and accessories were allowed. Tournaments follow in-school program design as closely as practical.

At tournament officials' discretion, any bow, arrow, or accessory may be subjected to complete inspection at any time. Anyone found using disallowed equipment or modifications will forfeit awards and be disqualified. Disqualification may affect their team's rank..

**2.1.** If after the 10-meter practice end begins an archer is found to be using disallowed equipment, the archer is subject to disqualification.

.2.1.1. Archers are to be at their assigned area 15 minutes prior to their flight times, with their equipment ready.

**2.2. Bows:** - Archers are expected to bring their own AGA Genesis™ bows. Only the stock (original) unmodified Genesis bow approved for AGA may be used, except for allowances described below.

2.2.1. When called by the announcer archers will place bows on racks for inspection. Once inspected, the bow must remain on the range unless a repair is needed and approved by a lane official.

2.2.2. The Genesis Mini, Pro, and GenX are prohibited for use in AGA Junior and senior categories

**2.2.2.1. The Genesis mini bow may be used in the Cubs/Welpies category.**

2.2.3. The bow's axle-to-axle length, measured from the centre of each axle must be no shorter than "35,25", 896mm.

2.2.4. The bow's grip must be in place and unmodified. Changing the shape by removing material or adding material, including tape would be a disallowed modification.

The grip may be painted for personalization. However, paint used must be "colour only". The use of paint with added texture material or paint that dries with a multi-texture finish (including but not limited to those designed as bed liner material) is disallowed.

2.2.5. Only tied on or heat shrink nock locators may be used.

Instructions for tying on a locator are available at

[www.agarchery.co.za](http://www.agarchery.co.za).

2.2.5.1. There may be up to one nock locator above and below the arrow nock.

2.2.5.2. If using two nock locators the gap between them must be < 1-1.5 nock widths. The archer must nock the arrow between the 2 nock locators.



2.2.5.3 If using one nock locator the archer must lock the arrow below and touching the nock locator.

2.2.5.4 If desired a tied-on nock locator maybe used directly above and against the original shrink tube locator that comes on the bow to maintain its position, as a quick or temporary fix.

2.2.5.5. Brass nock locators are prohibited for safety reasons.

2.2.5.6. Instructions for tying on a nock locator are available @ [www.agarchery.co.za](http://www.agarchery.co.za)

**2.2.6. The bow must be sight and sight-mark free:** -

2.2.6.1 Solid color tape, paint, or "sharpie" to cover marks may be applied to the face of the sight window at a point starting at the top of the bow's grip and running at least 6" up the face of the sight window towards the top limb. Any tape used must be a single piece of tape applied vertically to the face of the sight window only. Single piece, die cut, solid color, stickers that match the shape of the sight window are also permitted. Wrapping tape around the riser is prohibited.

2.2.6.2. Camouflage bows may be used, but the face of the sight window must be covered to prevent camouflage lines serving as sight marks.



2.2.6.3. The face and inside of the sight window must be kept free of any marks and raised edges, such as tape, bubble logos. If a bubble logo, it must be removed or placed elsewhere on the bow. Nothing should be on the inside of the sight window

2.2.6.4. Tape or paint used to cover sight marks on a bow must remain throughout the competition.

2.2.6.4.1. Archers and coaches should comply with this rule before their flight time.

2.2.6.4.2. If sight marks are discovered the archer or coach will be asked to cover them.

2.2.6.5. The inside of the sight window must be kept free of any raised edges, such as tape, stickers or logos.

2.2.7. The bow must be free of draw stops or stabilizers.

2.2.8. The bowstring and cables may be 'after-market' but of the same approximate length and diameter.

2.2.9. The standard cable guard, grip, slide (black only), wheel, cam, bearings, riser, and limbs must be original (or original factory replacement) and unmodified. Other than the few allowances stated in this document.

2.2.10. A bow may be personalized by painting, stickers, et cetera, but without sight-marks.

2.2.10.1. Temporarily attaching carabiners or other devices to the bow during any flight is prohibited.

2.2.10.2. The arrow rest must be the standard AGA® flipper rest that comes on the Genesis bow. The rest arm, that is missing a sleeve or is bent is acceptable. The sleeve may be original, absent, or replaced with heat shrink tubing similar to the original rest arm sleeve.

2.2.10.3. Wrapping anything around both limbs at the top or bottom of the bow to join them is disallowed.

2.2.10.4. A bow may have the Morrell Manufacturing poundage gauge mounted on the riser. For determining turns of limb bolts for poundage settings



2.2.11. The bow's draw weight must remain unchanged throughout the flight after the 1st scored arrow is shot at 10 meters.

2.2.12. Except for malfunction, bows must remain downrange of the waiting line once shooting begins.

2.2.13 Except for major malfunction the same bow must be used throughout the competition.

2.2.14. A non-compliant bow will be removed from the competition until it is restored to a compliant condition by the head coach. This must be completed before competition begins or the competition resumes.

2.2.15. Coaches should be prepared to complete timely repairs if necessary (spare arrow rest, serving material or spare bow). Tournament cannot be delayed for repairs

### **2.3. Arrows: -**

Only the original unmodified Easton aluminium 1820 arrows approved for NASP®/AGA may be used. Archers shooting on the same butt, arrow shafts must preferably be of a different colour.

2.3.1. If the archer provides personal arrows, they must be official, unmodified NASP®/AGA arrows.

2.3.2. The length of the arrow shaft must be the standard 76cm length.

2.3.3. If personal arrows are used, a readily accessible supply of replacement arrows must be on hand and in a separate quiver in-between the bow racks. Once the flight begins all arrows will remain forward of the waiting line unless being replaced.

2.3.4. It is preferable that the arrow nocks in NASP®/AGA tournament and the Championship tournaments be the Easton N nocks currently used by Eason in the production of the 1820 aluminium Genesis arrows.

2.3.4.1. F nocks and G nocks may also be used, if and where available.

2.3.5. Arrow nocks may be the NASP®/AGA glue-on or push-in nock or both.

2.3.6. Arrow points must be the NASP®/AGA standard; glue-in, cone shaped and weighing 60 grains.

2.3.7. Arrow vanes must be 3 soft plastics, 2.5-3.0", 63mm – 76mm long and no more than .4-.6", 10mm – 15mm in height and attached to the shaft or wrap with a straight off set of approximately 1.5 degrees. Vanes may be of any brand or shape but must be within the listed dimensions.

2.3.8 (New archery products AGA/NASP®.SPEEDFLETCH Is also permitted for use

2.3.8.1. New Archery Products (NAP), the maker of the Genesis bow arrow rest, has developed a replacement vane system for AGA®. This system will be permitted in AGA schools and tournaments. It meets our dimension specifications outlined in 2.3.6 above. It is called "AGA® SPEEDFLETCH (patents: 7,955,2901 & 6,142,896). This vane system will have the AGA® logo marking the index vane.

2.3.9. Personal arrows must have vanes marked for identification. The arrow shaft may be marked, crested, wrapped or taped above the mid-point (towards the nock) for identification. The crest (AGA-Genesis label) must remain visible and readable.

2.3.9.1 An arrow wrap is a small piece of self-adhesive vinyl that is wrapped around the rear of the arrow to coat the shaft in a very low weight plastic sleeve. The function of an arrow wrap is to provide an excellent surface for vane adherence

2.3.9.2. Index fletch must be a different colour than the other two fletches on an arrow.

2.3.9.3. Only the arrows being used in the competition or for the practice round will be in the quiver. Spare arrows will be kept in a different quiver in-between the Bow racks.

2.3.10 Archers/schools are required to provide their own arrows at tournaments

### **2.4 TARGET BUTTS:-**

The dimensions of a 80cm Fita target but must be as follows:-

2.4.1. The inside measurement of an 80cm Fita Target butt will be a minimum of 82cm wide inside the wooden side planks, this is the width of an 80cm Fita Target.

2.4.2. The height of a 80cm Fita Target but will be a minimum of 82cm high, in between the top and bottom threaded bolts, the hight of a 80cm Fita Target.

2.4.3. The bottom of the 80cm Fita Target's shooting area will be 14cm of the ground or the width of a scorecard.

2.4.4. No wood or wooden area will be behind the 80cm Fita Target on a target butt.

### **2.5. Accessories: Very few accessories are allowed in AGA-SA (1" = 2,54cm):-**

2.5.1. Archers may wear finger tabs (free of metal or rigid plastic), tape, or gloves to protect draw-hand fingers. Unmodified golf or batting gloves may also be worn on the bow hand.

Finger tabs designed for anything other than finger protection, including markings, are disallowed.

This includes “5-finger” gloves like golf and batting gloves.

2.5.2. Finger protection devices similar to the “No Glove” and devices made by other manufacturers may be placed on the bowstring but these must be without locator buttons (also known as kisser buttons) discs, or aiming aids.

2.5.3. Heat shrink tubing may be placed on the bowstring to reduce finger strain but the tubing must cover the entire centre serving above and below the nock locator(s).

2.5.4. Archers may wear arm guards and chest protectors.

2.5.5. Archers may wear eye patches, glasses, or tape on glasses.

2.5.6. Finger or wrist slings are allowed.

2.5.6.1. Wrist slings may be attached with standard bolt (2.54CM (1") or less in length) with a head size not to exceed 1,3 cm x 1,3 cm (one half inch thick, one-half inch wide).

2.5.6.2. Any mounts or brackets used for a wrist sling **must be non-rigid** and may extend no more than 1/2" (one half inch/13mm) in any direction from the riser.

2.5.6.3. A Leather “yoke” may be used to attach the sling to the bow, but a metal yoke would be considered rigid and disallowed

2.5.6.4. Wrist slings may be tied around the riser or through the hole in the riser just below the grip.

2.5.6.5. Finger slings are only to be put in place once the 1 whistle command to shoot is provided. Chain or cable may not be used as wrist slings.

2.5.7. Mechanical release aids or devices designed to hold the bow at full draw are prohibited.

2.5.7.1. Archers must be able to draw, hold, and release  
the bow string on their own.

2.5.8. Potential special allowances for physically challenged archers are evaluated on a case-by-case basis. While participation by the challenged archer is important, other competitors must not be negatively impacted. Commonly approved allowances include:

2.5.8.1. Wheel chairs are permitted if needed.

2.5.8.2. In the case of hearing or visually impaired archers, a coach or parent may provide assistance at the shooting line. A lane official must be alerted before shooting begins.

2.5.8.3. Mouth tabs are permitted for archers whose physical challenges make drawing the bowstring impossible.

2.5.8.4. Archers who use crutches may shoot from a chair or have coach assistance to stand.

2.6.1 Emotional Support animals will be allowed by AGA in the spectator area of the event (if permitted by the host facility). Emotional support animals must stay off AGA ranges. If the animal creates a distraction of any type to the participants or spectators, the handler will be asked to remove the animal from the spectator area and possibly from the facility.

### 3. Competitive Format AGA: -

*AGA Tournaments emphasize safety, sportsmanship, and indoor application.* If an archer is unable to safely use all equipment and follow range protocols that archer may be removed from the competition

#### 3.1. Range Set-Up bulls' eye: -

3.1.1. Target butts will be placed directly on the floor similar to the height of school butts.

3.1.2. Target faces will be placed **14cm** from the ground (**Width of a scorecard**)

3.1.3. Targets faces (paper) will be AGA® 80 cm FITA face with 10 scoring rings.

3.1.4. The target line will be approximately 2 yards or meters from the target butts.

3.1.5. There will be 10 meter (32' 10") and 15 meter (49' 2") shooting lines.

3.1.6. The waiting line will be at least 4-5 yards or meters beyond the 15-meter shooting line.

3.1.7. A ‘Coaches’ Alley will be delineated between the waiting line and spectators. Only Coaches with **seperate markings from the other official instructors on the range** are permitted in the Coach’s alley.

3.1.8. Spectator seating will be placed **at a safe distance** behind the Coaches line.

3.1.9. Shooting lines will support 5 foot wide, 1.52m shooting lanes accommodating 2 archers per lane.

3.1.8.1. The shooter's label will indicate with "Left" or "Right" which half of the 5' wide shooting lane each archer is assigned.

3.1.8.1.1. Placement of any items or marks on the floor or target as a reference point for aiming is prohibited.

3.1.10. Archers are to be at their assigned area 15 minutes prior to their flight times, with their equipment ready.

3.1.10.1. Shooters occupying a lane will be from different schools where possible.

3.1.10.2. Solo shooters on butts will be combined where possible to promote integrity.

3.1.10.3. Coaches assigned to a group of lanes for their team can move archers within their assigned lanes if needed, but must indicate a lane change on the score cards. Archer must still occupy the same side of the lane as was assigned to the team and each lane should still have archers from two different schools.

**3.2. Whistle Signals:** - AGA whistle commands will be used to operate the range.

3.2.1. 5+ whistles for an emergency.

3.2.2. 2 whistles to 'get bow.'

3.2.3. 1 whistle to 'shoot'.

3.2.4. 3 whistles to 'go get arrows'.

**3.3. Arrow Handling and Movement about the Range:** - AGA safety rules must be followed.

3.3.1. Archers must walk when moving about the range.

3.3.2. Archers must have one foot on each side of the shooting line with 'bows on toes' before shooting begins.

3.3.3. While shooting, the archer must straddle the shooting line with the non-target foot behind the back edge of the shooting line. NO PART of the shooting line will be covered by the archer's foot.

3.3.4. The tournament-provided arrow quiver must be placed ON the shooting line in FRONT of the archer.

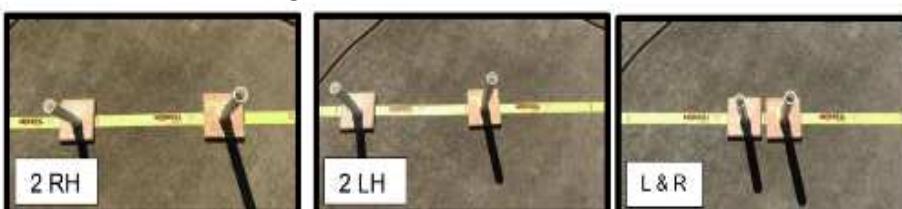
3.3.5. Shooter and quiver must remain in their half of the assigned lane when on the shooting line. No part of the archers' body or the quiver can cover, or be past, their lane marks.

3.3.5.1. Crowding across the middle of the lane, or into an adjacent lane, is considered unsportsmanlike conduct.

3.3.5.2. Crowding is defined as any part of the archer's body or equipment extending past the 30-inch, 76cm area assigned to the archer.



3.3.5.3. The quiver must remain on the shooting line and within 30-inch, 76cm area assigned to the archer



3.3.6. While both archers may approach the target when scoring, only one archer may remain at the targets when arrows are pulled. The other archer must be safely behind the target line while arrows are being pulled from the target.



**When pulling arrows,  
only one archer may be  
forward of the Target  
Line. All archers must  
remain standing.**

3.3.7. Archers must remain standing on their feet and off their knees when scoring and pulling arrows.

3.3.8. Arrow points must be covered with one hand and shafts grasped below the vanes with the other hand when walking with arrows.

#### **3.4. Order of Shooting BULLS EYE: -**

3.4.1. The archer must nock, pre-draw, draw and aim in a manner keeping the arrow pointed safely towards the target, below the top of the backstop curtain and away from the floor at all times.

3.4.2. Archers will shoot one practice end of 5 arrows and 3 scoring ends of 5 arrows at 10 meters.

3.4.3. Archers will shoot one practice end of 5 arrows and 3 scoring ends of 5 arrows at 15 meters.

3.4.4. Archers will have 2 minutes to shoot each 5-arrow end.

3.4.5. Dropped arrows will be left on the floor and replaced by a range official.

3.4.6. An arrow that bounces back from the target may be shot again as instructed by range officials. (The end position of the arrow must be in front of the target face, for a bounce-back to be declared). Except for practice ends.

3.4.7. Replacement arrows will only be provided for bounce outs on scoring ends. Practice bounce back will remain as shot.

3.4.8. An arrow that reaches the target line without hitting the target is considered a shot rather than a dropped or bounced-out arrow and will be scored zero points.

3.4.9. If an archer is unable to safely use the equipment and follow range protocols that archer may be removed from the competition.

3.4.10. If the archer's draw weight and draw length aren't sufficient to perform on par with other archers in the tournament the archer may be removed. Shot arrows that fail to reach or stick in the target butts are symptomatic of insufficient performance.

3.4.11. After shooting the last arrow the archer must immediately leave the shooting line, rack the bow, and return behind the waiting line. This is AGA specific range management protocol.

3.4.12. Lost vane, arrow rest damage or failure, broken nock -if any occur during the release of an arrow and that arrow makes it to the target line and doesn't bounce off of the target, it is a shot arrow.

3.4.13. If an archer fails to shoot all 5 arrows, and returns behind the waiting line, remaining arrows will be scored as zeros.

3.5.14. Delay of shooting Rule 5.13 of 3D also applies here.

#### **3.5. Coaching: -**

3.5.1 A team is limited to 3 coaches in Coaches Alley during the flight. Individual groups may have 1 coach in Coaches Alley.

3.5.1.1. Any coach in Coaches Alley must have a different identification from the official instructors on the range identifying them as the appropriate AGA coach.

3.5.1.2. At least one coach must be immediately available and located with his or her team lanes while the is hooting in case they are needed. Coaches must display positive sportsmanship while in this alley.

3.5.2. Coaches of special needs archers may be allowed (with prior approval of range officials) to stand with the archer on the shooting line. However, they must do so safely and without distracting the other archers.

3.5.3. Coaches must withhold coaching and communication with their archer while the archer is on the shooting line. Such communication may only take place when the archer is up range of the waiting line.

3.5.4 Coaches may visit the scoring area following the conclusion of each flight.

### 3.6. Scoring bull's eye: -

3.6.1. Only archers and tournament officials will be allowed downrange of the waiting line.

3.6.2. All arrows should be scored before any arrow or the target's face is touched.

3.5.2.1. Moving the target face to affect an arrow's score is a violation.

3.5.2.2. Moving or pushing an arrow into the target face to affect an arrow's score violates the rule.

3.6.3. Beginning in the centre of the target, scoring rings are 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, & 1.

3.6.4. An arrow shaft touching a scoring ring line is awarded the higher point value. In the picture below the gold arrow is scored a 10 because the shaft touches the line. The blue arrow is a 9 because the shaft does not touch the scoring line, only the hole made by the shaft touches.



The blue shaft is a "9".  
The gold shaft is a "10".

3.6.5. An arrow outside all scoring rings is awarded '0' points.

3.6.6. If the target face is so shot up that the scoring ring cannot be determined, even by the lane official, the target face should be changed. (Target may only be changed before or immediate after the 15m Practice end. Both Archers need to agree to the change.)

3.6.7 The 'X' ring in the centre of the 10 is simply scored as a 10.

3.6.8. An arrow that 'robin-hoods' (sticks in the back of another arrow) another arrow receives the value of the arrow in the target.

3.6.9. An arrow that deflects off another arrow and sticks in the target is scored where it sticks.

3.6.10. An arrow that skips off the floor and imbeds in the target is scored where it sticks.

3.6.11. An arrow that skips off the floor and bounces off the target is treated as a bounce out.

3.6.12. An arrow that sticks in the target butt falls completely out as shooting continues is treated as a bounce out and a replacement arrow may be shot

3.7. Each lane should have two archers, one in the left half of the lane and the other in the right half of the lane.

3.8. Schnabel (bubble-type) scorecards will be used. Archers should practice with this type of scorecard before coming to the tournament.

3.9. Both archers' scorecards will be on the same score board.

3.9.1. The score board will be placed on the target line.

3.9.1.1. The score board may be placed anywhere on the target line within the archers' lane.

3.9.1.2. One or both archers may approach the target face to score arrows.

## 4.OFFICIAL SCORING PROTOCOL:-

One archer will CALL and BUBBLE the other archer's arrows.

4.1 The scorecard has a "Check-Box" to the right of each 5-arrow end.

4.1.1 The archer should check this box indicating he or she has examined each 5-arrow end to make sure the score has been correctly entered.

4.1.2 Also check to assure that ALL ARROW VALUES are bubbled.

4.1.3 Then the archers will reverse roles.

4.1.4 If archers cannot agree on an arrow's score, a range official must be asked for the final decision.

4.1.5 Only range officials may have erasers on the range. If the archer needs a score erased, the official will perform the task. The lane official will document such action on the back of the

**scorecard.**

4.1.6. After both archers are satisfied that arrow values have been accurately recorded, scores are considered final.

4.1.7. Once scores are final arrows may be pulled.

4.2 At the conclusion of the flight both archers must sign the scorecard.

4.2.1 If an archer fails to sign his/her scorecard, the scorecard will be considered approved and final.

4.2.2 The archer represented by the unsigned scorecard will not be disqualified for neglecting to sign.

4.3 Scorecard deficiencies may be found in the scoring room:

4.3.1 Scorecard has more than one value on a scoring line. The higher value will be erased.

4.3.2 Scorecard has more than one value on a scoring line but there is a blank line among the 5 scoring lines. One of the double values will be moved to the blank line.

4.3.3 A scoring line is blank. Except in 4.3.2 above, the blank line will be scored zero.

4.3 An archer's score may only be counted for a single team. The score will also be used to determine the archer's individual placement.

4.4 Range officials will gather signed scorecards after each flight at the target.

4.5 Disqualification may occur if an archer takes the scorecard up-range of the 10-meter shooting line or to the coach or other unofficial person(s).

4.7 If an archer observes another recording a false score, a range official must be alerted.

4.8 Summation of the team's highest 12 individual scores, with at least of both genders, will comprise the team score.

4.9 For single gender schools, all 12 individual scores will be from a single gender.

## 5. Tie Breakers:-

### 5.1 Individual Ties:-

5.1.1 First by the computer by comparing total score, then # of 10's, 9's, 8's, and so on.

5.1.2 If ties remain, only those individuals tied for overall female and overall male archers will shoot-off to break the ties (this includes ties for overall runner-up). All other ties will remain and will receive duplicate awards.

5.2. Overall and runner-up female and male individual ties will be broken with a shoot-off that will take place prior to the awards ceremony. KEEP YOUR BOW NEAR BY! Archers absent for tie breaking will be awarded the lower rank.

5.2.1. The shoot-off will consist of:

5.2.1.1 A 5-arrow warm-up end at 15 meters.

5.2.1.2 Then a 5-arrow competitive end at 15 meters.

5.2.1.3 If the tie persists, a single arrow shot from 15 meters, closest to the middle of the target's center will break the tie.

### 5.3 Team Ties:-

5.3.1 Team ties, if they occur, will be broken First by the computer by comparing total score, then # of 10's, 9's, 8's, and so on.

5.3.2. If necessary tied teams will select one male and one female archer from their teams.

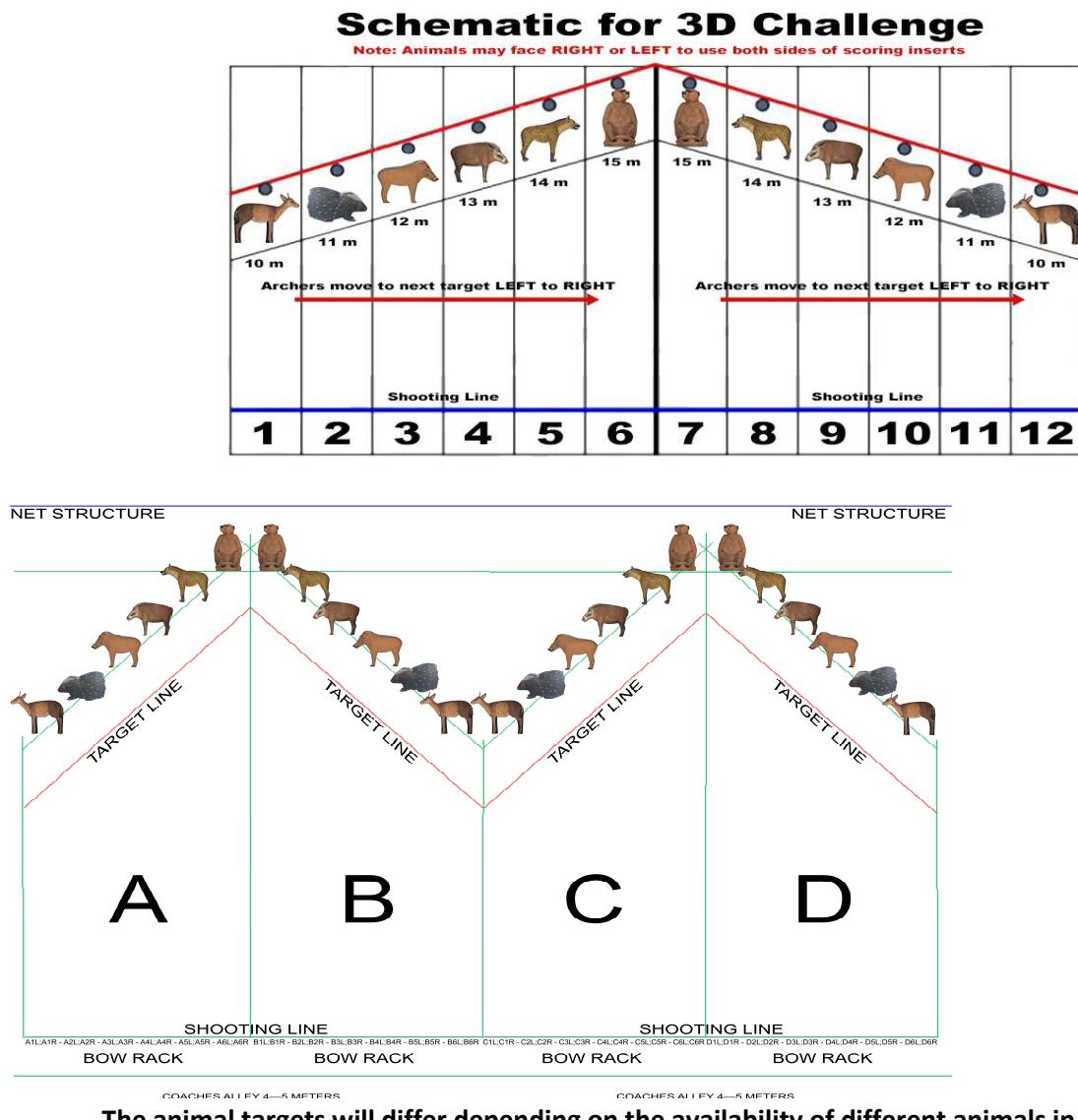
5.3.2.1. These two archers from each team will shoot a 5-

arrow warm-up end at 15 meters and then a 5-arrow scoring end at 15 meters.

5.3.2.2. Combined scores of both boy and girl team members will be compared to break the tie.

5.3.2.3. If the tie persists both the boy and girl from each team will shoot a single arrow at the same target. The arrow closest to the center of the target will win the tie.

## 1. Range Set-Up 3D:



1.1. Each section will have 6 shooting lanes and 6 different targets, 1 target per lane.

1.2. Targets will be placed along a diagonal line ranging in distance from 10 meters (32' 10") to 15 meters (49'2") from the shooting line. Target 1 will be approximately 10 meters from the shooting line and target 6 will be approximately 15 meters from the shooting line. Targets 2, 3, 4 and 5 will be between targets 1 and 6.

1.3. All six targets in one section must be different animals and all sections must be a copy of the other for that competition. All targets are manufactured by Wildcrete and are available for purchase on the **AGA.co.za** website. **Each target may be facing right or left in order that both sides of the target insert is used. Targets may be shot from the shortest distance to the longest; or from the longest distance to the shortest, depending on individual range layout.**

1.4. The diagonal target line will be approximately 2 to 3 yards or meters from the targets.

- 1.5. The single, straight or horizontal shooting line will be divided into 6, 5-foot, 152mm-wide shooting lanes, each accommodating 2 archers.
- 1.6. The waiting line will be at least 4-5 yards or meters beyond the 15-meter shooting line.
- 1.7. Only Coaches with a different marking than the official instructors on that range are permitted in Coach's alley.
  - 1.7.1. Only three coaches from each team may be in the coach's alley.
  - 1.7.2. We encourage alley coaches to be seated as much as possible to prevent blocking the view of spectators in the audience.
  - 1.7.3. For teams, at least one coach must be immediately available and located with his or her team while the team is shooting in case issues must be resolved. Coaches must display positive sportsmanship while in this alley.
- 1.8. Spectator seating will be placed at a safe distance behind the Coaches line.
- 1.9. Shooting lines will support 5-foot-wide 152cm shooting lanes accommodating 2 archers per lane.
  - 1.9.1. The shooter's label will indicate with "Left" or "Right" which half of the 5', 152cm wide shooting lane each archer is assigned.
    - 1.9.1.1. Crowding across the middle of the lane is considered unsportsmanlike conduct.
    - 1.9.1.2. Placement of any items or marks on the floor or target as a reference point is prohibited
  - 1.9.2. Shooters occupying a lane will be from different schools where possible.
  - 1.9.3. Coach's assigned to a group of lanes for their team can move archers within their assigned lanes if needed, but must indicate a lane change on the score cards. Archer must still occupy the same side of the lane as was assigned to the team and each lane should still have archers from two different schools.

## **2. Whistle Signals: AGA whistle commands will be used to operate the range:**

- 2.2 5+ whistles for an emergency
- 2.2. 2 whistles to 'get bow'
- 2.3. 1 whistle to 'shoot'
- 2.4. 3 whistles to 'go get arrows'

## **3. Bows:**

- 3.1 If after the 10-meter practice end begins an archer is found to be using disallowed equipment, the archer is subject to disqualification.
- 3.2 Archers are to be at their assigned area 15 minutes prior to their flight times, with their equipment ready.
- 3.3. Only the stock (original) unmodified Genesis bow approved for AGA may be used
- 3.4. When called by announcer archers will place bows racks for range official inspection before shooting begins. Once inspected, the bow must remain on the range unless a repair is needed and approved by a lane official.
- 3.5. The Genesis Mini, Pro, and GenX are disallowed for use in AGA
  - 3.5.1 The bow's axle-to-axle length, measured from the center of each axle must be no shorter than 35.25", 896mm.
  - 3.5.2. The bow's grip must be in place and unmodified. Changing the shape by removing material or adding material, including tape would be a disallowed modification. The grip may be painted for personalization. However, paint used must be "color only". The use of paint with added texture material or paint that dries with a multi-texture finish (including but not limited to those designed as bed liner material) is disallowed.
- 3.6. Only tied on or heat shrink nock locators may be used.
- 3.7. There may be up to one nock locator above and below the arrow nock.
- 3.8. If using two nock locators, the gap between them must be < 1-1.5 nock widths. The archer must nock the arrow between the 2 nock

locators.

3.8.1. If using one nock locator, the archer must nock the arrow below and touching the nock locator.

3.8.2. If desired, a tied-on nock locator may be used directly above and against the original shrink tube

locator that comes on the bow to maintain its position, as a quick or temporary fix.

3.8.3. Brass nock locators are prohibited for safety reasons.

3.8.4. Instructions for tying on a nock locator are available

[@www.agarchery.co.za](http://www.agarchery.co.za)

3.9. The bow must be sight-mark free.

3.9.1. Tape, paint, or "sharpie" to cover sight marks will be applied to the face of the sight window

at a point starting at the top of the bow's grip and running at least 6" up the face of the sight window towards the top limb. Any tape used must be a single piece of tape applied vertically and shall not be wrapped around the sight window.

3.9.2. Camouflage bows may be used, but the face of the sight window must be covered to prevent camouflage lines serving as sight marks.

3.9.3. Nothing can be added on the inside or edges, such as tape, stickers or logos.

3.9.4. Tape or paint used to cover sight marks must remain throughout the competition.

3.9.4.1. Archers and coaches should comply with this rule before their flight time.

3.9.4.2. If sight marks are discovered the archer or coach will be asked to cover them.

3.9.5. The bow must be free of draw stops or stabilizers.

3.9.6. The bowstring and cables may be 'after-market' but of the same approximate length.

3.10. The standard cable guard, slide (black only), wheel, cam, bearings, riser, and limbs must be original and unmodified. Axle to axle length as specified in 3.3.4 must be met.

3.11. A bow may have the Morrell Manufacturing poundage gauge mounted on the riser. For determining turns of limb bolts for poundage settings.



3.11.1. A bow may be personalized by painting, stickers, et cetera but without sight- marks.

3.12. Temporarily attaching carabiners or other devices to the bow during any flight is prohibited.

3.13. The arrow rest must be the standard AGA® flipper rest that comes on a Genesis bow.

3.14 The rest arm that is missing the sleeve or bent is acceptable.

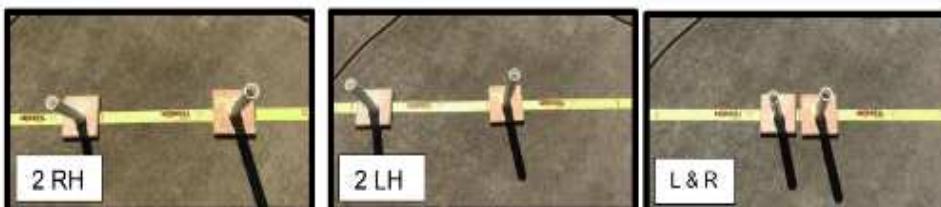
3.15 The sleeve may be original, absent, or replaced with heat shrink tubing similar to the original rest arm sleeve.

- 3.16. The bow's draw weight must remain unchanged throughout the flight after the 1st scored arrow is shot at 10 meters.
- 3.17. Except for malfunction, bows must remain downrange of the waiting line once shooting begins.
- 3.17.1. Except for major malfunction the same bow must be used throughout the competition.
- 3.17.2. A non-compliant bow will be removed from the competition until it is restored to a compliant condition by the head coach. This must be completed before competition by that archer begins or resumes.
- 3.18. Loaner Bows: Archers are expected to bring their own AGA® bows. A few 'loaner' bows could be available in case of equipment failures.
- 3.19. Coaches should be prepared to complete timely repairs if necessary (Spare arrow rest, serving material or spare bow). Tournament cannot be delayed for repairs

#### **4. Arrow Handling and Movement about the Range: AGA safety rules must be followed:**

- 4.1. Archers must walk when moving about the range.
- 4.2. Archers must have one foot on each side of the shooting line with 'bows on toes' before shooting begins.
- 4.3. While shooting, the archer must straddle the shooting line with the non-target foot behind the back edge of the shooting line. NO PART of the shooting line will be covered by the archer's foot.
- 4.4. The tournament-provided arrow quiver must be placed ON the shooting line in FRONT of the archer.
- 4.5. Shooter and quiver must remain in each archer's half of the assigned lane when on the shooting line. No part of the archers' body or the quiver can cover, or be past, their lane marks.
- 4.5.1. Crowding across the middle of the lane, or into an adjacent lane, is considered unsportsmanlike conduct.
- 4.5.2. Crowding is defined as any part of the archer's body or equipment extending past the 30-inch/76cm area assigned to the archer.
- 4.5.3. The quiver must remain on the shooting line and within 30-inch/76cm area assigned to the archer.

**Quivers must be placed inside the archer's half**



4.5.4. While both archers may approach the target when scoring, only one archer may remain at the targets when arrows are pulled. The other archer must be safely behind the target line while arrows are being pulled from the target.

4.5.5. Archers must remain on their feet (standing) and off their knees when pulling arrows.

4.8.6. Arrow points must be covered with one hand and shafts grasped below the vanes with the other hand when walking with arrows.

#### **5. Order of Shooting 3D:**

- 5.1. Archers will shoot one practice end of 5 arrows at the target placed in their shooting lane.
- 5.2. Archers then shoot the first scored end of 5 arrows at this same starting target.
- 5.3. After shooting and scoring an end of 5 arrows, the archer will move the scorecard **from left to right**, to the **target line** at the next target and move arrows to the next quiver.
- 5.4. When the archer comes to the right end of the range and has not yet shot all 6 targets, the archer will move to the opposite end of the 6-target range and continue shooting and moving to the right until the flight concludes.

- 5.5. Archers will have 2 minutes to shoot each 5-arrow end.
- 5.6. Dropped arrows will be left on the floor and replaced by a range official.
- 5.7. An arrow that bounces off the target may be shot again as instructed by range officials.
- 5.8. An arrow that reaches the target line without hitting the target is considered a shot rather than a dropped or bounced-out arrow and will be scored zero points.
- 5.9. If an archer is unable to safely use the equipment and follow range protocols that archer may be removed from the competition.
- 5.10. If the archer's draw weight and draw length aren't sufficient to perform on par with other archers in the tournament the archer may be removed. Shot arrows that fail to reach or stick in the target butts are symptomatic of insufficient performance.
- 5.11. After shooting the last arrow the archer must immediately leave the shooting line, rack the bow, and return behind the waiting line. This is AGA-SA specific range management protocol.
- 5.12. Lost vane, arrow rest damage or failure, broken nock - if any occur during the release of an arrow and that arrow makes it to the target line and doesn't bounce off of the target, it is a shot arrow.
- 5.13. If during a tournament there is a delay in shooting exceeding 10 minutes, the tournament director has the discretion to allow archers to shoot 5 practice arrows at the target they are on prior to restarting the scoring ends. Examples of a delay could be but not limited to: (Indoor) power outage, fire alarm or medical emergency. (Outdoors) Weather, such as heavy rains or lightening.
- 5.14. Binoculars may be used on the shooting line however the 2-minute shooting time still applies.
- 5.15. Rangefinders and/or Range finding binoculars are prohibited.

## **6. Coaching:**

- 6.1. A team shall have no more than 3 coaches in Coaches Alley during the flight. Individual groups may have 1 coach in Coaches Alley.

6.1.1. Any coach in Coaches Alley must have a different marking clearly identifying them as an AGA coach.

- 6.2. Coaches of special needs archers may be allowed (with prior approval of range officials) to stand with the archer on the shooting line. However, they must do so safely and without distracting the other archers.
- 6.3. Coaches must withhold coaching and communication with their archer while the archer is on the shooting line. Such communication may only take place when the archer is up range of the waiting line.

6.4 Coaches may visit the scoring area following the conclusion of each flight.

## **7. Scoring 3D:**

- 7.1. Only archers and tournament officials will be allowed downrange of the waiting line.
- 7.2. All arrows should be scored before any arrow or the target's face is touched.
  - 7.2.1. Moving or pushing an arrow into the target to affect an arrow's score violates 9.2.
- 7.3. The scoring rings are 10, 9, & 8. Any arrow outside the 8-ring but on the animal is scored a 7. Arrows in the horns, hoofs, stand or teeth are scored zero.
  - 7.3.1. An arrow **shaft** (not the hole) touching a scoring ring line is awarded the higher point value.
  - 7.3.2. An arrow scores zero (0) points if:
    - 7.3.3. If the arrow misses the target.
    - 7.3.4. If the arrow deflects off and **past** the target. (A deflection back towards the archer is a bounce out and a replacement arrow may be shot.)
    - 7.3.5. An arrow that 'robin-hoods' (sticks in the back of another arrow) receives the value of the arrow in the target.
    - 7.3.6. An arrow that deflects off another arrow and sticks in the target is scored where it sticks.
    - 7.3.7. An arrow that deflects off another arrow and fails to stick in the target is treated as a bounce out.
    - 7.3.8. An arrow that skips off the floor and imbeds in the target is scored where it sticks.
    - 7.3.9. An arrow that skips off the floor and bounces off the target is treated as a bounce out.
    - 7.3.10. An arrow that sticks in the target but falls completely out as shooting continues is treated as a bounce-out and a replacement arrow may be shot

- 7.4. Each lane should have two archers, one in the **left** half of the lane and the other in the **right** half of the lane.
- 7.5. Schnabel (bubble-type) scorecards will be used. Archers should practice with this type of scorecard before coming to the tournament.
- 7.6. Both archers' scorecards will be on the same score board.
- 7.6.1. The score board will be placed on the target line.
- 7.6.1.1. The score board may be placed anywhere on the target line within the archers' lane.
- 7.7. Both archers will walk to the target in their lane to record arrow scores.
- 7.7.1. One or both archers may approach the target face to score arrows.
- 7.7.2. **OFICIAL SCORING PROTOCOL:** One archer will **CALL** and **BUBBLE** the other archer's arrow.
- 7.7.2. The archer must check this box indicating he or she has examined each 5-row end to make sure the score has been correctly entered.
- 7.7.3. Then the archers will reverse roles.
- 7.7.4. If archers cannot agree on an arrow's score, a range official must be asked for the **final decision**.
- 7.7.5. Only range officials may have erasers on the range. If the archer needs a score erased, the official will perform the task. The lane official will document such action on the back of the scorecard.
- 7.7.6. After both archers are satisfied that arrow values have been accurately recorded, scores are considered final.
- 7.7.7. One archer will move safely behind the Target Line while the other archer pulls his own arrows.
- 7.7.8. Then the archers will reverse positions, one behind the Target Line while the other pulls her own arrows.
- 7.7.9. At the conclusion of the flight both archers must sign the scorecard.
- 7.7.9.1. If an archer fails to sign his or her scorecard it will be considered approved and final.
- 7.7.9.2. The archer represented by the unsigned scorecard will not be disqualified for **neglecting** to sign.
- 7.8.1. Scorecards have more than one value on a scoring line. The higher value will be erased.
- 7.8.2. Scorecard has more than one value on a scoring line but there is a blank line among the 5 scoring lines. One of the double values will be moved to the blank line.
- 7.8.3. A scoring line is blank. Except in 6.8.3 above, the blank line will be scored zero.
- 7.9. An archer's score may only be counted for a single team. The score will also be used to determine the archer's individual placement.
- 7.10. Range officials will gather signed scorecards after each flight at the target.
- 7.11. Disqualification may occur if an archer takes the scorecard up-range of the 10-meter shooting line or to the coach or other unofficial person(s).
- 7.12. If an archer observes another recording a false score a range official must be alerted.
- 7.13. Summation of the team's highest 6 individual scores, with at least 2 of both genders, will comprise the team score.
- 7.14. For single gender schools, all six individual scores will be from a single gender.

## **8. Ties will be broken: -**

### **8.1. Individual Ties**

- 8.1.1. First by the computer by comparing total score, then # of 10's, 9's, 8's, and so on.
- 8.1.2. If ties remain, only those individuals tied for overall female and overall male archers will shoot-off to break the ties (this includes ties for overall runner-up). All other ties will remain and will receive duplicate awards.
- 8.1.3. Overall and runner-up female and male individual ties will be broken with a shoot-off that will take place prior to the awards ceremony. KEEP YOUR BOW NEAR BY! Archers absent for tie breaking will be awarded the lower rank

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8.1.3. Tied individuals will shoot a 5-arrow warm-up end at 15 meters.

8.1.3.1. Then a 5-arrow end competitive end at 15 meters.

8.1.3.2. If the tie persists, a single arrow shot from 15 meters, closest to the middle of the target's centre will break the tie.

## **8.2. Team Ties:**

8.2.1 Team ties, if they occur, will be broken.

8.2.2. First by the computer by comparing total score, then # of 10's, 9's, 8's, and so on.

8.2.3 If necessary tied teams will select one male and one female archer from their teams.

8.2.3.1 These two archers from each team will shoot a 5-arrow warm-up end at 15 meters and then a 5-arrow scoring end at 15 Combined scores of both boy and girl team members will be compared to break the tie.

8.2.3.2 If the tie persists both the boy and girl from each team will shoot a single arrow at the same target. The arrow closest to the center of the target will win the tie.

## **9. Dress Code AGA:** tournaments are an extension of the educational experience

9.1. It is important that students and officials remain safe and comfortable. Therefore, all student archers and officials must wear close-toed shoes. (Bare feet and sandals are disallowed)

9.2. All coaches should make sure their student archers adhere to their school's dress code at the tournament except for the total ban of open-toed shoes above in

9.3 It is the coaches and archers' responsibility to keep everything out of the path of the bow string. Loose clothing, hair, jewelry (including facial jewelry) may pose a risk to the archer and those around them.

9.4. Use of personal music playing devices such as, ear buds and headphones are prohibited on the range.

9.5. Ear plugs to block distractions are permitted as long as the archer remains able to hear and follow range commands.

9.6. Ear plugs must be free of any strings or wires

9.7. Archers cell phones must be silenced while shooting and are not at all to be used on the range.

9.8. Archers cell phones must be silenced during their competitive flight. Also; all communication via the phone must be suspended during their flight

## **10. Sportsmanship:** Archers, coaches, volunteers, and spectators are expected to respect others. Acts of unsportsmanlike conduct will result in disqualification and or removal from the event. These are a few examples of unsportsmanlike conduct:

10.1. Purposefully disturbing another archer with excessive touching or talking

10.2. Failure to follow lane official direction

10.3. Physical or verbal abuse of any person at the event

10.4. Attempts to cheat include:

10.4.1. Using disallowed equipment

10.4.2. Improper call-out of arrow value.

10.4.3. Improper bubbling of arrow value.

10.4.4. Failure to bubble in an archer's arrow value.

10.4.5. Erasure of anything on the scorecard. Only lane officials may use erasers.

10.5. Behaviour considered disruptive, unsafe, offensive, or otherwise inappropriate may result in disqualification and or expulsion of the archer, coach, and observers. Examples include:

10.5.1. Intentional or repeated bumping of another archer or archer's bow.

10.5.2. Encroaching beyond the archer's assigned half of the 30"/76cm in the shooting lane.

10.5.3. Ignoring the L vs. R assignment in the shooting lane.

10.5.4. Vulgar or otherwise offensive language used while shooting or on shirts or banners.

10.6. The use or possession of drones or other flying devices is prohibited at all AGA events. Rare use may be granted to select media outlets through advance applications to AGA officials.

## **11. Protest Procedure:**

- 11.1. Coaches may visit the scoring area following the conclusion of each flight.
- 11.2. Only the officially registered coach/manager of the team or individual may register a protest.
- 11.3. The scoring area team leader must receive any protest within 45 minutes following flight conclusion.
- 11.4. Protests may concern an archer or team score or equipment compliance.
- 11.5. Video or other photographic evidence regarding the protest will not be considered.
- 11.6. Rule clarification or suggestions may be provided by going to "Contact" at: @ [www.agarchery.co.za](http://www.agarchery.co.za)
- 11.7. Protests may concern scoring or equipment compliance.
- 11.8. A committee will be designated to receive, consider, and resolve official protests regarding the tournament.
- 11.9. Tournament officials will be in the "Bubble scoring Room" at least 45 minutes following conclusion of every flight.
- 11.10. Coaches are encouraged to visit the "Bubble Scoring Room" following each flight before results are deemed final.
- 11.11. The coach may not be accompanied by the archer, a parent, or anyone other than a registered coach unless requested by the committee.
- 11.12. Decisions made by the protest committee are considered final.

## **12. General:**

- 12.1. Whenever an Eraser was used on a score card, must it be noted by that instructor on the back of that scorecard, his/her name clearly written and signed by him/her
- 12.2. Only the Appeal board will decide on and correct anomaly.
- 12.3. No Family of an archer will be allowed within 5 butts on either side of that archer
- 12.4. No Family, Coach or Team Manager will bubble in or alter scores cards for their archer on the field.
- 12.5. Only the Instructor in charge of the range will discuss any apparent anomalies with an Archer.
- 12.6. Any Instructor/**Coach** will only work through the range Instructor on any aspect or apparent anomalies on the field.
- 12.7. No Instructor will correct an archer in any way on the field during a competition while on Instructor duty. Coaches stay in the coaching ally and my not access the range other than the coaching ally, unless required and requested by the rangemaster.
- 12.8. No archer will be dis-allowed to participate in AGA Archery (schools, clubs, branches or churches) unless he/she was found guilty of cheating, transgressing school or Club rules and or regulations
- 12.9. Archers may be prohibited from participation in teams, if found guilty of transgressing school rules and regulations, but must be allowed to participate as an individual archer in this sport.
- 12.10. All archers that are prohibited for whatever reason from participating in a team must be encouraged to participate in the sport as an individual.
- 12.11. All archers that are part of a team or individually, must be registered in AGA SA or competitions by their school, club, branch or church.
- 12.12. All archers in AGA represent their schools in this sport. It is the school's responsibility to register their schools with AGA SA on its database
- 12.13. Archers may wear their respective club, branch or church clothing, but can only participate as a member of his/her school
- 12.14. When archers participate in a school team it is expected of them to wear their school sport clothing unless granted permission by the school considering the school logo is visible on the Club shirt.
- 12.15. All participating archers that are not part of a club, branch or church, must wear their school sport wear unless granted permission by the school considering the school logo is visible on the Club shirt.
- 12.16. An archer is only allowed to use his/her OWN spare arrow from the spare arrow quiver. If more arrows are needed, it is the responsibility of the coach to supply as many arrows as needed in the two-minute time frame.
- 12.17. Archers will remain on the target line until all score cards have been accounted for. There after archers will move to the 10m shooting-line accompanied by his/her bow and arrows. The whole range will be adjourned at the same time, after a control check is completed.

**12.18.** All Instructors and Coaches doing duty will sign an attendance register at that Competition.

**12.19.** Cell Phones will be switched off or set on silence while on the range.

**12.20.** Cell Phones may be used to take photo's of scorecards at end of competition.

### **13. Control Check (Flight): -**

13.1. All archers will move their quivers to the 10M line.

13.2. Archers will place all arrows including their spare arrows in their own quiver.

13.3 Then Archers will move and wait behind the waiting line.

13.4. Two whistles will be given indicating, "Get Bow"

13.5. The Archers will then take his/her own bow and straddle the 10 m line, with the bows on toes.

13.6. They will make sure and confirm they have all their equipment and their own bow.

13.7. The range will then be adjourned in a safe and mannered way.

### **14. INCLUSION OF GRADES 2 & 3 ARCHERS:**

**14.1** The new category will be called Cubs or Welpies in Afrikaans and may commence competing from 17 January 2022

**14.2** Any of the Mathews Mini or Genesis bow may be used

**14.3** Due to the difference in performance (accuracy) it is advisable to establish two categories, one for Mini and one for Genesis bows

14.4 Cubs must shoot the same format as AGA, but from 7 and 10 metres.

14.5 A separate range must be set up for the Cubs.

14.6 Only Cubs who demonstrated that they can shoot safely from 7 and 10 metres and with their arrows pinning in the butt may participate in competitions

14.7 Standard AGA rules must be adhered to at all times

### **15 AGAFT RULES (TOURNAMENT RULES)**

**15.1** The purpose of the AGAFT Rules are to set a standard for all AGAF events. The Rules also serves as a set standard for all competing AGA countries. The Rules are not cast in stone but should not be amended without considering the purpose of the proposed change/s.

**15.2** The purpose of any championship is to allow all the athletes and teams to demonstrate their skills by competing against each other. To be considered as a champion AGA Team the Team needs to meet a minimum of the following:

15.2.1 Skilled archers

15.2.2 Depth in the Team, in other words, all 16 archers must be skilled to carry the team to victory

15.3 The AGAFT Rules is considered to be fair and the results will present a reliable outcome of the achievements of all archers and competing countries.

15.3.1 Fair: The criteria used to determine the rankings and positions of individual archers and Teams is fair as it does not present an advantage to some teams or put other teams in a disadvantage. All archers are also enjoying an equal opportunity to compete and the scores of all the archers are used to determine the Team's position. Archers are not excluded from feeling part of the Team.

15.3.2 Reliable: Given the same event under the same conditions with archers with the same skills the outcomes of the archers and Teams will be the same. In other words, the criteria used to determine the rankings and positions of individual archers and Teams are reliable indications of their skills and rankings in NASP® Africa.

**15.4 The AGAFT Rules are as follows:**

**15.4.1 There are three separate AGA events presented at AGAFTs:**

15.4.1.1 AGAF Junior Championship – AGA country's National Junior (school) Teams competing;

15.4.1.2 AGAF Development Challenge - AGA country's Development Teams competing

15.4.1.3 AGAF Senior Championship - AAG Teams competing.

15.4.2 The results of the three events will not influence each other in any way whatsoever.

15.4.3 In each of the above three events there are also two different categories:

15.4.3.1 AGAF Bull's Eye and

## 15.4.3.2 AGAF 3D

15.5 **AGAF National Teams:**

- 15.5.1 A Team must have 16 archers with a minimum of six archers of the opposite gender.
- 15.5.2 All 16 archers must compete in all the events
- 15.5.3 The scores of all 16 archers will constitute the Teams score
- 15.5.4 In the event of an archer or archers in any of the teams not being able to shoot, the lowest scoring archer's score in the same team will be allocated to the archer/s not shooting.
- 15.5.5 Where an archer/s have to withdraw because of an injury, illness or some or other medical reason, the minimum number of archers needed to constitute a competing team is 14
- 15.5.6 Should an archer be able to shoot only one or two ranking flights, the scores shot will count but the flight/s not shot will be calculated as in 17.5.4 above

15.6 **Bull's Eye Category:**15.6.1 Ranking Flights:

- 15.6.1.1 All 16 archers of all the teams will shoot in the bull's eye ranking flights.
- 15.6.1.2 Each archer will shoot three bull's eye ranking flights
- 15.6.1.3 The total of all three flights shot will be used to rank all the archers' individual in his or her event. That is individual positions in the bull's eye category will be determined by using the all three scores obtained in the three ranking flights.
- 15.6.1.4 An archer must have competed in all three ranking flights to be ranked

15.6.2 Knock out flights:

- 15.6.2.1 The top three teams in each event will shoot in the knock out challenge
- 15.6.2.2 All 16 archers of each team will compete in the knock out challenge
- 15.6.2.3 Only archers who shot in all three ranking flights will be included in the knock out teams
- 15.6.2.4 Where one or two archers had to withdraw, the Team's score will be calculated as stipulated in Paragraph 17.5.4 and 5
- 15.6.2.5 The team with the lowest score will be knocked out first and will be placed third, that is bronze medallist's
- 15.6.2.6 The knock out flights will continue until only two teams remain to compete for gold and silver
- 15.6.2.7 The final positions of the teams in the bull's eye category will be determined by the knock out flights

15.7 **3D Category:**

- 15.7.1 All 16 archers of all the teams will shoot in the 3D flights.
- 15.7.2 Each archer will shoot two 3D flights
- 15.7.3 The total of all two flights shot will be used to rank all the archers' individual in his or her event. That is individual positions in the 3D category will be determined by using the all two the scores obtained in the 3D flights.
- 15.7.4 An archer must have competed in both 3D flights to be ranked
- 15.7.5 The Teams' positions will also be determined by the scores obtained in the two 3D flights

15.8 **Overall Champion Teams:** The overall champion teams will be determined as follows:

- 15.8.1 Points will be allocated to positions achieved in the bull's eye category as well as the 3D category namely:
 

15.8.1.1	Winners receive	22 points
15.8.1.2	Second teams receives	19 points
15.8.1.3	Third teams receives	17 points
15.8.1.4	Fourth teams receives	15 points
15.8.1.5	Fifth and further teams	13 points, 11, 9, 7, 5, 3, 1, 0
- 15.8.2 The team's points for the bull's eye and 3D categories are added up and will determine the teams' position on the overall ranking list.
- 15.8.3 In the event where two teams have the same points the bull's eye category will be the determining factor.

- 15.9 **Tournament Champion Country:** The Tournament champion country will be determined as follows:
- 15.9.1 Points will be allocated to positions achieved in all three the different events namely the Junior Championship (schools), Senior (AAG) Championship and Development Challenge:
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| 15.9.1.1 | Winners in each event receive | 22 points                       |
| 15.9.1.2 | Second teams receive          | 19 points                       |
| 15.9.1.3 | Third teams receive           | 17 points                       |
| 15.9.1.4 | Fourth teams receive          | 15 points                       |
| 15.9.1.5 | Fifth and further receive     | 13 points, 11, 9, 7, 5, 3, 1, 0 |
- 15.9.2 The Country's points for the three events are added up and will determine the country's position on the Tournament ranking list.
- 15.9.3 In the event where two teams have the same points the Junior Championship (schools) will be the determining factor followed next by the Senior Championship (AAG)
- 15.10 **AGA FEDIRATION General:**
- 15.10.1 Each AGA archer will shoot a minimum of five flights in the tournament, three x bull's eye plus two x 3D flights
- 15.10.2 Should thundershowers prevent the teams to complete the knock out challenge; the scores shot in the ranking flights will determine the final positions of the teams who progressed to the knock out challenge.
- 15.10.3 If only the ranking flights were shot, the scores of the ranking flights completed will be used to determine the final positions in the event.
- 15.10.4 Should thundershowers prevent the teams to complete the 3D category; the first flight of the 3D will be used to determine the winners and following positions provided that all the teams have completed one full 3D flight.