



Northern Counties Archery Society.

Judges Information Update August 2012

World Archery Interpretations

Book 4, Article 22.1.5.4 (Recurve division) and 22.2.3.4 (Compound division)

An interpretation was raised by Archery Association of the Netherlands on whether the square sight/scope shown in the pictures is legal to be used in unmarked Field Archery competition.



Response from the Technical Committee:

It is the majority opinion of the Technical Committee that the Square Sight/Scope is legal for the Compound and Recurve divisions in Field Archery competitions on both marked and unmarked courses. There has been ample precedence set for similar sight types in previous field competitions. We see no reason that the examples shown in the requesting document should not be legal.

World Archery Technical Committee, 13 July 2012

Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 15 July 2012

Book 4, Article 22.4

An interpretation was raised by Slovak Archery Association on whether the Tradetech Galaxy Riser is legal in the 3D and Field Instinctive Bow Division.

Response from the Technical Committee:

It is the unanimous opinion of the Technical Committee, after consultation with the Field Committee, that the riser presented for interpretation is not legal for use in the instinctive bow division of World Archery. The riser is adjustable in weight and presents a clear violation of the rules.

Archery Technical Committee, 22 July 2012

Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 23 July 2012

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Book 4, Articles 22.5.1 and 22.5.1.1

An interpretation was raised by Archery Australia on the proper classification of the bow shown in the pictures.



Response from the Technical Committee:

It is the unanimous opinion of the Technical Committee that the bow shown below should be classified in Long Bow and or Instinctive Bow divisions as well as legal in the Barebow division. The bow length of 167.5 cm conforms to the length guidelines set forth under Article 22.5.1.1 for Long Bow as well as the basic description pertaining to Long Bows listed in Article 22.5.1.

Note: there appears to be some markings above the grip on this particular bow which would need to be covered for competition.

World Archery Technical Committee, 15 July 2012

Approved by the World Archery Constitution and Rules Committee, 13 July 2012

Book 3, Article 21.4.1 & Book 3, Article 21.4.2

A question was raised by one of the World Archery Member Associations on whether the level referred as a bubble is legal to be used in the Recurve and W1 Compound divisions.

Response from the Technical Committee:

It is the anonymous opinion of the Technical Committee that that a level could be used in the Compound divisions. However, the level is not allowed to be used in Recurve divisions.

World Archery Technical Committee, 27 July 2012

Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 1 August 2012

Book 3, Article 21.6.2

A question was raised by one of the World Archery Executive Board Members on whether the blocks or chocks are legal to be used by athletes in order to prevent wheelchairs from rolling.

Response from the Technical Committee:

It is the majority opinion of the Technical Committee that for the athletes in wheel chairs, it is allowed to use chocks/blocks abutting wheels as anti-roll devices.

World Archery Technical Committee, 27 July 2012

Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 7 August 2012

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Information No. 13 from Judges and Coaches Committees

Lausanne - 20 August 2012

Information to Coaches

In 2009 there were many competitions where archers were either confused or just did not know the rules or regulations currently in place. This resulted in many delays being encountered during competitions which caused frustration to the competitors and organisers alike. Because of this the World Archery (WA) Judges and Coaches Committees have agreed it would be useful to introduce some "drops" on issues concerning coaches, procedures and rules, and make judges procedures understandable to them, and not least, so the coaches know what to expect from the judges.

Ken BEARMAN, WA Coaches Committee Chairman

We hereby intend to start a series of small inputs in order to be helpful to coaches and enhance their knowledge on rules and procedures to avoid extraordinary stress on their archers. We are of course also open to questions that might be asked.

Morten B. WILMANN, WA Judges Committee Chairman

13. Some Rules and Rule Changes in 3D Archery

From 1 April 2012 there has been some rule changes relating to the World Archery 3D regulations of which coaches and archers need to be aware. This information is necessary to avoid critical adjustments at 3D events or championships.

Recent rule changes:

- a) In general the archer will now have to be behind or to the side (within a certain distance) from the shooting peg - which is similar to Field Archery.
- b) In the Instinctive Division you are no longer allowed to have any form of stabiliser.
- c) In the Instinctive Division there has been changes regarding material of which the bow is made - check the rules and interpretations thoroughly.
- d) In the Instinctive and Longbow Divisions you may now use either the "Mediterranean type of grip on the string" (one finger above the arrow, the other below the arrow) or you may use the technique with three fingers below the arrow. But you can only use one of these methods! You cannot switch between them during a competition. If you use all the fingers below the arrow, be aware that your index finger can be no more than 2mm away from the arrow (nock) and your tab must be without any split, it must have a continuous surface.

Confirmation of some current rules:

- a) In the Barebow Division, if weights are added to the bow, they must be mounted directly onto the bow, not via any type of rod (which is then classed as a stabiliser), even if the rod is very short.
- b) In the Longbow Division you may use the bow's natural shelf as an arrow rest, and you may cover it with a kind of soft material to avoid wear of the bow itself. However, you are not allowed to put such material on the shelf in order to make any kind of rest, pressure point or for aiming purposes. If you glue the soft material to the vertical part of the riser (the bow window) it should cover all of it, or not reach further up the window than the width of the arrow - this is to avoid the suspicion of having an aiming line where the material ends.

World Archery Judges News Letter

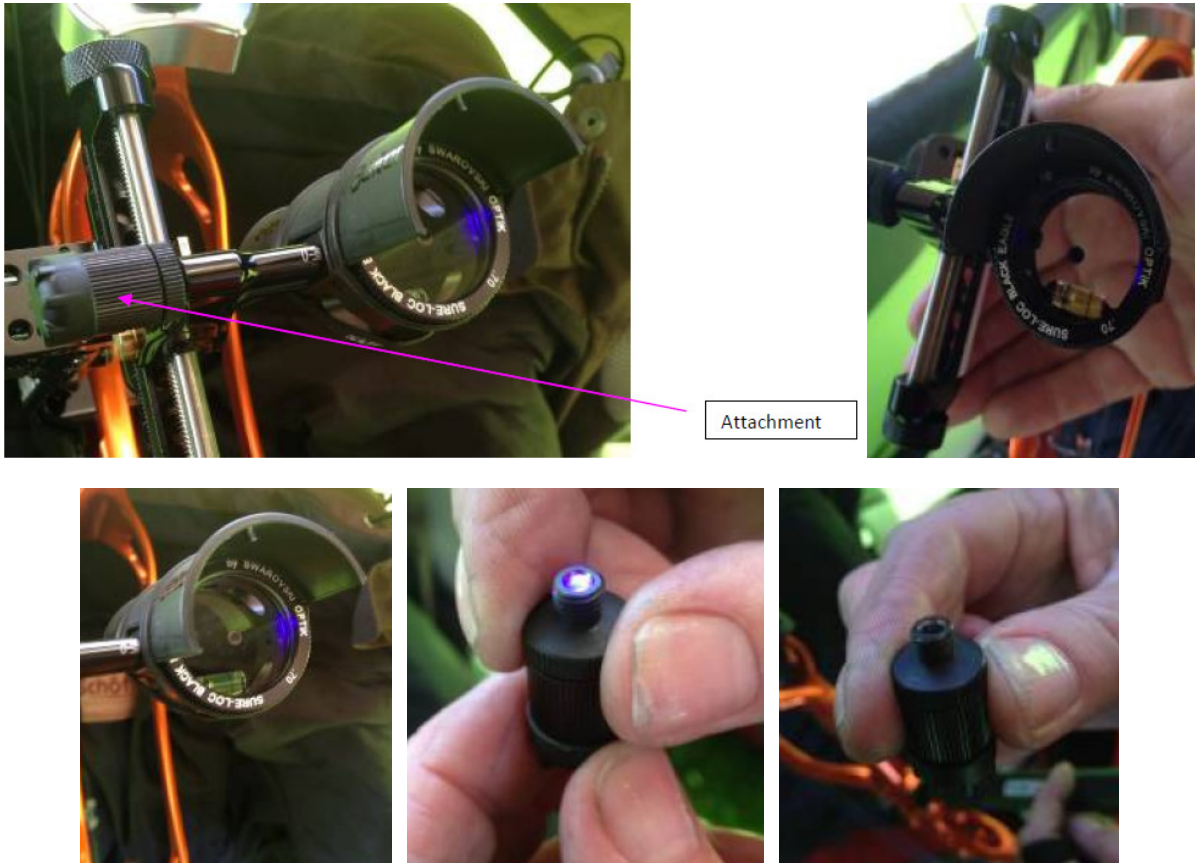
The latest World Archery Judges Newsletter is now available. To have a look go to www.archery.org, then Organisation, then Judges, then Documents, then Judges Newsletters and select the one you want to download.

Whilst a lot of the information in there relates to International Tournaments, a lot of it applies to local World Archery Rounds, and the Case Studies are always worth a look to get the brain working. There is also a lovely picture of two hard working British Judges in there as well.

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New Sure Loc Sight

A new version of the Sure Loc Sight for Compounds has come onto the market, which as standard has an attachment which contains a light. The attachment screws into the side of the sight, and when switched on shines a bluish light across the glass. Below are some photos which hopefully will help you. Obviously electric or electronic equipment is not allowed, so if you see someone using them please ask them to remove the attachment, the sight is perfectly legal as long as the attachment is not there. As this comes as a standard with the sight some archers will not even realise that it is there or that it is not allowed under the rules; so please don't be too heavy handed with them.



2013 National Tournaments

The invitation form for judges to apply for the 2013 National tournaments is now available for download from the judge's website in both MS Word and PDF formats. There is also an online version, which is accessible from the home page. All forms have to be returned to the registrar no later than the 30th September. The invitation is open to all Regional and National judges and also this year to experienced County judges (Minimum of 1 year in the grade).