

Metric Tassel Award Scheme– Revised January 2014

Metric distances to be shot are as follows:

Recurve, Barebow and Longbow

Gents – 165 metres
Ladies – 125 metres
Juniors Under 21 – 125 metres
Juniors Under 18 – 110 metres
Juniors Under 16 – 90 metres
Juniors Under 12 & 14 – 75 metres

Compound

Gents – 185 metres
Ladies – 165 metres
Juniors Under 21 – 165 metres
Juniors Under 18 – 125 metres
Juniors Under 16 – 110 metres
Juniors Under 12 & 14 – 90 metres

Rules

- Awards will be applicable to Double Metric Clouts for Gents, Ladies, Boys and Girls.
- The Tournament shall be organised in accordance with GNAS Rules of Shooting and be an Open Tournament.
- The Tournament Organiser shall make requests for Metric Tassel Award Status to NCAS at least 3 months prior to the event on the approved application form. If the Tournament is also to be a record status shoot, then GNAS Rules of Shooting - SAP 3 Paragraph 1 applies.
- To cover administration costs a registration fee will be paid to NCAS (Cheque made payable to Andrew Neal) by the body organising the shoot. This will be based on a nominal fee per entry, decided and indicated in advance by NCAS. The Tournament Organiser can then pass this back to the archers in the form of a surcharge within the entry fee. The Tournament Organiser shall after the shoot forward to NCAS, a copy of the results list indicating the total number of entries and the associated fee for hosting the shoot, within 28 days.
- The tournament can be advertised as a “Metric Tassel Award” shoot.
- Archers claiming an award shall register their score with the Tournament Organiser on an authorised claim form. The form accompanied by a copy of the Results List must be sent to NCAS for verification and issue of awards. An ad-hock check of GNAS Membership Registrations will be made from time to time by the administrator of the scheme with GNAS Headquarters.
- The badge is of one design for all archers, reproduced slightly smaller for Juniors.
- Archers achieving a score in the following bands shall be awarded the following badges. Badges will only be awarded for the score achieved :-

Badge Colour	Score Bands			
	Longbow	Barebow	Recurve	Compound
White	75 – 124	125 – 174	175 – 224	175 - 224
Black	125 – 174	175 – 224	225 – 274	225 - 274
Blue	175 – 199	225 – 249	275 – 299	275 - 299
Red	200 – 224	250 – 274	300 – 319	300 - 319
Gold	225 – 249	275 – 299	320 – 339	320 - 339
Purple	250 +	300 +	340 +	340 +

An individual archer is eligible to claim using all bow types. Once having gained an award at a higher grade, with a particular bow type, an archer may not, when at a later shoot, claim for a lower grade using the same bow type.

Junior Metric Tassel Award

- The score bands for awards shall be the same as for the senior awards. Claims can be made if :-
- The score is obtained shooting the distance for the juniors own age group, or
- The score is obtained shooting a distance above the juniors age group. Once a claim for a “higher” Metric Tassel Award, i.e. Black, Blue, Red, Gold & Purple, a claim for the “missing” Tassel award can only be made when the junior moves up to the next age band.
- All claims must be made before leaving the Tournament field. Altered score sheets which have not been initialled by the Judge will invalidate the claim.

The Tassel Award Scheme is administrated on behalf of NCAS by: -

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Information sheet for the Tassel Award Scheme – Metric

Organisers are requested to ensure their shoots fall within the Clout Rules as per the Archery GB Rules of Shooting. As an ease of reference some of these are noted below together with further suggested practices to ensure a well administered shoot.

- **The shoot must be shot in 2 details with timing of ends one of the following: MANDATORY**
 - **Method 1** – One sound signal shall indicate when the first shooting detail shall take their place on the line and begin shooting. Each archer shall shoot three arrows and immediately retire, being replaced by the archer from the subsequent detail. When all on the target have shot, the archer, if required, shall shoot three more arrows. If an archer persists in shooting more than three arrows consecutively, he may be disqualified by the Judge.
- **OR**
 - **Method 2** – Shooting shall be in timed ends controlled by audible signals which may be supplemented with lights (three separate lights should be used) and countdown timing clocks.
- Either timed at 4 minutes (if 6 arrows are to be shot), or
- Timed at 2 minutes (if 3 arrows are to be shot),
- Repeated until both details have shot their 6 arrows.
- Tassel Award Shoots should be administered according to Archery GB Rules of Shooting – Section 7
- Distances to be shot are as follows:

	Non Compound Bows	Compound Bows
Gents	165 Metres	185 Metres
Ladies	125 Metres	165 Metres
Juniors U.21	125 Metres	165 Metres
Juniors U.18	110 Metres	125 Metres
Juniors U.16	90 Metres	110 Metres
Juniors U.14 & U.12	75 Metres	90 Metres

- The centre of the Clout target shall be marked by a brightly coloured distinctive triangular flag: the clout. This flag shall not measure more than 80cm in length and 30cm in width. The flag to be affixed to a round pole of soft wood, firmly fixed vertically in the ground, so that the lower edge of the flag shall not be more than 50cm from the ground.
- Scores shall be determined according to the distance of arrows, at point of entry in the ground, from the centre of the flag stick.
- Arrows which have hit and remain embedded in the clout flag shall score 5 points provided they are not embedded in a lower scoring ring whereupon they shall score according to the ring in which they are embedded.
- An arrow lying loose on the ground shall be scored in accordance with the position of its point.
- The size of the scoring zone is as follows:
 - Gold – 1.5 metre radius
 - Red – 3 metre radius
 - Blue – 4.5 metre radius
 - Black – 6 metre radius
 - White – 7.5 metre radius
- Scoring rings of the above radii may be marked on the ground, the lines of which being wholly within each circle, alternatively scores may be determined with a non-stretch cord or tape looped round the centre stick and clearly marked to measure the various scoring zones.
- Where the cord method is used an area which contains the whole clout scoring zone should be marked on the ground.
- Volunteers for scoring assistants should be sort ensuring there is one assistant for each colour. Assistants should not score 2 colours.
- Score assistants should be encouraged to rotate for subsequent scoring ends.
- No archer, other than the scoring assistants, should enter the scoring zone until all arrows have been scored.
- The scoring assistants shall not take any arrows into the scoring zone.
- Juniors should be encouraged to assist in scoring at each distance flag to ensure a scoring assistant is allocated to each colour and an assistant does not score 2 colours.
- Judges should carry out inspection as deemed necessary to ensure bow types are as declared. Barebow archers equipment falls within Archery GB Rules of Shooting Paragraph 204.
- Any claims for Tassel Awards must be made on the day of the shoot completing the relevant claim form, ensuring addresses are full and readable together with a post code. GNAS numbers must be given.