



## SOUTHERN COUNTIES ARCHERY SOCIETY



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Dear Colleagues,

World Archery have now released the new Rule Books which came into effect on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

The new rule books and the differences (which are very helpfully highlighted in separate documents) can be found here - <https://worldarchery.sport/rulebook>

A lot of it was covered in the presentation at the SCAS Judge Conference (which can also be found on the SCAS website), but please take the time to read through the changes carefully.

I have raised the issue of AGB rounds being shot alongside WA WRS events (for example Metrics alongside a 1440) with the removal of equipment failures with AGB Rules. They are going to look into it and let me know.

Just to highlight some of the more important changes or ones that may affect us.

**Book 2**

- A lot of the changes refer to the renaming of Cadets as Under 18, Juniors as Under 21 and Masters as 50+.
- A lot of the changes refer to the removal of the Instinctive Division, being replaced with the Traditional Division.
- Confirmation of the procedure if a Team wants to change its members (so not use the highest ranked 2 or 3 from Qualification). The Team Manager must let the Chair of Judges or result verifier in writing 15 minutes before the start of Official Practice of that round of competition. (Wording amended to tie in with previous change elsewhere in the rule book).
- Change to say that Indoor Rounds can also be shot outdoors as well and can be recognised for World Records.
- Change for Field and 3D Head to Heads about which Pool shoots against which Pool.

### Book 3

- Change to allow vibration dampeners on barebows. All dampeners and weights must pass through the 12.2cm ring without flexing. Angular brackets or connectors are not allowed.
- Weights can now be added above and below the grip, as long as they do not aid with aiming or ranging in any way.
- Change on barebow tabs to clarify that marks on tabs can have up to two different lengths (as well as being uniform in size, shape and colour)
- Change on accessories for barebow to remove the sentence saying limb dampeners are permitted
- No extra time is allowed for equipment failures or the treatment of medical problems at any World Archery events. The archer can leave the line to deal with the issue and then return to the line if time permits.
- For Shoots Offs for compounds following the Ranking Round (so not a Shoot Off during a Match) there will be one face in the middle of the target, with one archer per target for the ranking round shoot-off).
- Clarification about the colour of sleeves and undershirts during televised finals. They should match the predominant colour of team top or be white
- Introduction of the Doubles Team for Para Archery ONLY. And the removal of the 3 person Team for Para Archery ONLY. The Doubles Team is a two person team of the same gender and is shot the same as a Mixed Team event.
- On Para archers the back support of a wheelchair shall not extend further forward than half the width of the archer's body at the side and is measured from the furthest point of the backrest.
- Change in the width of lane lines for Para Events

### Book 4

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- Change on barebow tabs to clarify that marks on tabs can have up to two different lengths (as well as being uniform in size, shape and colour)
- Change on accessories for barebow to remove the sentence saying limb dampeners are permitted
- Replacing the Instinctive bow category with the Traditional bow category

If you have any questions or problems, please do not hesitate to contact me, Hannah or Richard.

Kind regards

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