

Equipment Failure – Archery GB

- Check that it is actually an equipment failure, and if it is find out from the archer how many arrows from the current end they have left to shoot, and if possible a rough estimate how long they think it will take to repair their equipment
- Inform the COJ that there is an equipment failure with x number of arrows to shoot from the current end, and tell them you will let them know when the archer is ready to shoot.
- See if there is any way you can assist the archer, if not leave them to repair their equipment and return to your place on the line
- The archer can take as long as they need to repair their equipment, but they cannot delay the shoot for more than 15 minutes per equipment failure when shooting their make up arrows. These arrows must be shot in the normal rhythm of the shoot, so the archer cannot shoot more than 6 or 3 arrows before scoring and cannot run to the target. The normal rule of thumb is if you are shooting in single detail they can make up 12 arrows, double detail 6 arrows, but common sense should always be used as each situation is different
- Once the archer has repaired their equipment they need to shoot their make up arrows as soon as possible. If they are ready to shoot by the time the end the equipment failure happens finishes, it is best to shoot the arrows then, if they have a couple of ends of arrows to make up, it is best to leave it till the end of the distance/round
- Once they are ready re-confirm the number of arrows to be made up and inform the COJ that the archer will shoot their arrows before the field goes to score and re-confirm the number of arrows to be made up
- Once the shooting line is clear stand on the shooting line, so the COJ or whoever is controlling the field can stop the shoot and inform the archers that there is an equipment failure with x number of arrows to shoot
- If the tournament is timed using Method 2 the archer has 40 seconds per arrow, or if using Method 1 they have 2 ½ minutes to shoot 3 arrows in, this should be timed locally using a stopwatch
- Once the archer has shoot their arrows they should leave the shooting line, then indicate to the COJ or whoever is controlling the field that the archers can go to score.

N.B – these are only guidelines and may not fit every situation, so confer with other Judges and use common sense. These guidelines do not replace the Rule Book, always refer to the Rule Book.