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Book 1

Constitution and Procedures

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Unless modified by this amendment, all rules in the 2024.01.25 revision of Archery Canada Rule Book 1 remain in effect.

AC 2.2.5 (new for 2025)

In Canada, Tobacco, Vape products, Cannabis and other controlled substance providers or manufacturers advertising and sponsorship (whether on the competition site or in any associated tournament activity or publicity materials) is strictly forbidden. No athlete may display the logo of any tobacco or cannabis related company or organization while on the field of play, practice range or other designated area.

AC 2.2.5.1

In Canada, alcohol sponsorship is permitted at major AC events with the following limitations:

- Athletes may not display personal alcohol sponsor branding while on the field of play or practice range
- The display of alcohol brand logos/advertising is only permitted within the registration areas or within the spectator area and publicity posters (digital or print).

Book 2 Events

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Unless modified by this amendment, all rules in the 2024.02.05 revision of Archery Canada Rule Book 2 remain in effect.

AC 3.5. MANAGEMENT STRUCTURES – CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS and MAJOR EVENTS.

AC 3.5.4

A Technical Delegate will be appointed by Archery Canada to oversee the technical aspects of each Archery Canada major event and assist the tournament Organizing Committee (OC) in all technical facets of running the event.

AC 3.5.4.1

in addition to [Article 3.5.4.1](#), the AC Technical Delegate will:

- Be in constant contact with the OC from the awarding of the event through to the completion of the event (monthly teleconference calls or meetings);
- Technical Delegate will also conduct a site visit in the lead up to the event, no later than 6 weeks before the start of the event if deemed necessary;
- Ensure that all entry forms & logos are correct;
- Ensure the organizing committee is aware of all responsibilities;
- Ensure all deadlines are met;
- Supervise Fred Usher Cup set up;
- Supervise the Grand Prix events;
- Ensure the field of play is set at the correct layout and target arrangements are correct for different categories;
- Monitor scorekeeping and result reporting.

AC 3.5.6

The Organising Committee shall meet regularly with the technical delegate or Archery Canada staff to report on the progress made in the preparations.

AC 3.5.8.

The Organising Committee shall arrange, in agreement with AC, food and necessary local transportation for the Judges, the cost of which will be borne by Archery Canada. The OC is expected to arrange and cover the costs of lodging and attempt to negotiate complimentary rooms to cover some of the judges' accommodation. AC is responsible for all costs related to the TD, excluding transport to and from the venue and to and from the airport.

AC 3.13.9 COMPETITION PANEL (*new for 2025*)

AC 3.13.9.1

A Competition Panel of up to 3 members will be responsible to address any observed instances or complaints of unsportsmanlike conduct or other Code of Conduct (the 'Code') violations that occur during a registered Archery Canada event. For major events, the Chair of the Competition Panel will be identified by the organizers in advance of the activity and should be published in any competition materials that are provided to the participants. For all other events, the Competition Panel Chair may be the head judge, technical delegate, or Director of Shooting.

AC 3.13.9.2

When an incident has been observed by or a complaint reported to a judge, technical delegate, Director of Shooting, or member of the organizing committee, it will be brought to the Competition Panel Chair or designate. The Chair may appoint, at their discretion, up to two additional impartial and knowledgeable individuals to determine whether a code of conduct violation has occurred. Competition Panel members must not be involved as a subject of the complaint or observed infraction and may be identified from the following list (not in any order and not limited to the following):

- A judge who is present but not competing or officiating;
- A knowledgeable Archery Canada, Provincial/Territorial Association or Club Staff or Director;
- A knowledgeable Coach;
- An impartial, knowledgeable competitor who is not an involved part to the complaint or observed infraction.

AC 3.13.9.3

The Competition Panel shall use the following procedure to address the incident or complaint under consideration:

- The Competition Panel members will interview and secure statements from any witnesses, including officials, who observed the alleged violation.
- The Competition Panel will attempt to secure a statement from the person(s) accused of the alleged violation.
- Involved parties shall also have the right to submit to the Competition Panel any relevant evidence. This may include, but is not limited to, names of potential witnesses, documentary evidence or evidence from other media (e.g. photos, screen shots, videos, or other recordings)
- The Competition Panel will render a decision and determine a possible penalty. The Competition Panel may refer to the Archery Canada and/or Provincial Code of Conduct and Complaints and Discipline Policy in the determination of a penalty.
- The Chair of the Competition Panel will inform all parties of the decision, which may be in the form of a disciplinary penalty or to dismiss the complaint.
- In-competition discipline or sanction imposed by the Competition Panel does not prevent an individual from facing additional disciplinary proceedings under the policies of Archery Canada or the applicable PTSO(s).

AC 3.13.9.4

The penalty determined by the Competition Panel may include any of the following, singularly or in combination:

- Oral or written warning;
- Written reprimand;
- Ejection from the event;
- Other appropriate penalty as determined by the Competition Panel.

AC 3.13.9.5

The Competition Panel does not have the authority to determine a penalty that exceeds the duration of the event; however, any applicable policies of the host organization may be enforced for subsequent events.

AC 3.13.9.6

A full written report of the incident or complaint and the Competition Panel's decision shall be submitted to the Club, PTSO, and Archery Canada by the Chair of the Competition Panel following the conclusion of the Event. If the Competition Panel has deemed that the violation to be more than a minor infraction, a report should be made to the Independent Third Party of Archery Canada or to local authorities. A complaint and further discipline may then be applied in accordance with the Discipline and Complaints Policy, if necessary.

AC 3.13.9.7

The decision of the Competition Panel is final and cannot be appealed.

AC 3.13.9.8

An incident or complaint being reported to the Competition Panel during an event does not prohibit other individuals from reporting the same incident to their PTSO, Archery Canada or Abuse-Free Sport to be addressed as a formal complaint under the Discipline and Complaints Policy.

AC 3.18.7.1 Canadian Outdoor Target Championship

The format of the Canadian Outdoor Target Championship shall be:

- Official Practice and Equipment Inspection followed by the Fred Usher Cup (Day 1);
- Qualifications (Day 2):
 - One (1) individual 720 Qualification/Ranking Round:

- As per [Articles AC 4.5.1.5 to AC 4.5.1.7](#) & Article 13.4., Book 3.
 - Para classified archers registered in a Para Archery category will compete in the qualification round under Para Archery rules
 - Eliminations and Finals (Day 3):
 - Individual match play:
 - As per [Article AC 4.5.1.4.](#) & Article 13.4., Book 3.
 - No cut. All competitors advance to the Eliminations.
 - Eliminations/medal matches will only be held for categories with three (3) or more competitors.
 - Medals will be awarded based on the qualification round results in categories with fewer than three competitors.
 - For any Para Archery category with fewer than 3 competitors:
 - Medals will be awarded for the Para Archery categories based on the qualification round
 - Para classified athletes will be ranked with and participate in the elimination round for the equivalent non-para equipment category
 - All Archery Canada equipment Divisions recognised for Outdoor Target Archery Championships apply;
 - All Archery Canada age classes except U10 apply;
 - Athletes must be a minimum of 10 years of age by December 31 of the current competition year.
- See [Appendix AC 3.2 Canadian Outdoor Target Championship Regulations](#) for additional information.

AC 3.18.7.2 Canadian Field Championship

The format of the Canadian Field Championship shall be:

- Qualifications:
 - Two Modified Field rounds:
 - One unmarked course of 12 targets or 1 unit, as per [Article 8.1.1.9.](#) Unit for Unmarked Course;
 - One marked course of 12 targets or 1 unit, as per [Article 8.1.1.10.](#) Unit for Marked Course;
 - Both rounds are shot on the same day.
- Eliminations:
 - Consists of individual match play as per [Articles AC 4.5.3.3.2 to AC 4.5.3.3.7.](#)
- Finals:
 - Consists of the final matches as per [Articles AC 4.5.3.3.8, AC 4.5.3.3.8.1 and 4.5.3.3.8.2.](#)
 - Finals matches will only be held for categories with three (3) or more competitors.
 - Medals will be awarded based on the qualification round results in categories with fewer than three competitors.
- All Archery Canada equipment Divisions recognised for Field Archery Championships apply except Excluded Divisions (see [Article AC 3.21](#));
- All Archery Canada age classes except U10 apply;
- Athletes must be a minimum of 10 years of age by December 31 of the current competition year.

Unless specified, the Canadian Field Championship is shot using World Archery Field Archery rules as found in Books 2 and 4.

See [Appendix AC 3.3 Canadian Field Championship Regulations](#) for additional information.

AC 3.18.7.4 Canadian Outdoor 3D Championship

The format of the Canadian Outdoor 3D Championship shall be as follows:

- Individual Qualifying Round according to [Article AC 4.5.7.0.2.1](#);
- Individual Finals Round according to [Article AC 4.5.7.0.2.2](#);
- Mixed Team Elimination Round according to [Article AC 4.5.7.0.3.2](#);

- Mixed Team Finals Round according to Article [AC 4.5.7.0.3.3](#);
- All Archery Canada equipment divisions recognized for 3D Archery Championships apply except Excluded Divisions (see AC 3.21.1.3);
- All Archery Canada age classes except U10 apply;
- Athletes must be a minimum of 10 years of age by December 31 of the current competition year.

AC 3.18.7.8

The Indoor Mail Match is a multi-site indoor competition over a long duration with the formats:

- A series of Canadian 300 rounds shot at multiple club locations
 - The results are submitted weekly, and
 - The average of the best 6 scores for each competitor or team is used to determine awards.
- There are three events:
 - Individual event by category - athletes compete in all recognized divisions for medals;
 - Individual event by mail match class - athletes compete for awards in each Mail Match class within an assigned Mail Match class based solely on the score achieved regardless of equipment division or age. Gold Medals will be awarded for each gender; a total of 28 Gold Medals (14 per gender) are available to be won.;
 - Club Team event – athletes participate in teams with mixed categories for team medals.

AC 3.18.7.9

The Outdoor Mail Match is a multi-site outdoor competition over a long duration with the following formats:

- A series of 720 rounds shot at multiple club locations:
 - The results are submitted weekly, and;
 - The average of the best 6 scores for each competitor or team is used to determine awards.
- There are two events shot concurrently:
 - Individual event by category - athletes compete in all recognized divisions for medals;
 - Individual event by mail match class - athletes compete for awards in each Mail Match class within an assigned Mail Match class based solely on the score achieved regardless of equipment division or age. Gold medals will be awarded for each gender; a total of 14 Gold Medals (7 per gender) are available to be won.

AC 3.21.1.3 Excluded Division as of January 1, 2025

Canadian Outdoor Target Championship:	none.
Canadian Regional Indoor Championship:	none.
Canadian Field Championships:	Compound Unlimited, Fixed Pins, Hunter, Longbow, WA Traditional.
Canadian Outdoor 3D Championship:	Fixed Pins.
Canadian Indoor 3D Championship:	Fixed Pins.

AC 4.2.1.2

Para-classification groups relate to the competitive Para-Archery Sports Classes.

W1 Open (open equipment as per rules Book 3 - AC 11.2.6 (ref. Book 3 - Article 21.4.4)).

- Men
- Women

Compound Open (open para-classification).

- Men
- Women

Recurve Open (open para-classification).

- Men
- Women

Visually Impaired (VI)

There are two common VI archery divisions:

- VI 1 athletes wear a blindfold
- VI 2/3 who do not wear blindfolds

AC 4.2.10 (new for 2025)

Athletes eligible to participate in U10, U13, and U15 classes may only participate in their age class or the age class immediately above their age class. As an example, a U13 archer may participate in a U13 or U15 age class but not in a U18 age class.

AC 4.3.3

for Field Archery:

Recurve Division	Unlimited Division
Compound Division	Fixed Pins Division
Barebow Division	Hunter Division
Longbow Division	
WA Traditional Division	

AC 4.3.7

for Canadian 3D Archery:

Barebow Division	Unlimited Division
Traditional Division	Fixed Pins Division
Longbow Division	Hunter Division
WA Traditional Division	Known

AC 4.4. CATEGORIES (CANADA)

In addition, Archery Canada recognizes other categories:

Recurve			
Recurve Women	RW	Recurve Men	RM
Recurve Under 21 Women	RU21W	Recurve Under 21 Men	RU21M
Recurve 50+ Women	R50W	Recurve 50+ Men	R50M
Recurve Under 18 Women	RU18W	Recurve Under 18 Men	RU18M
Recurve Under 15 Women	RU15W	Recurve Under 15 Men	RU15M
Recurve Under 13 Women	RU13W	Recurve Under 13 Men	RU13M
Recurve Under 10 Women	RU10W	Recurve Under 10 Men	RU10M
Compound			
Compound Women	CW	Compound Men	CM
Compound Under 21 Women	CU21W	Compound Under 21 Men	CU21M
Compound 50+ Women	C50W	Compound 50+ Men	C50M
Compound Under 18 Women	CU18W	Compound Under 18 Men	CU18M
Compound Under 15 Women	CU15W	Compound Under 15 Men	CU15M
Compound Under 13 Women	CU13W	Compound Under 13 Men	CU13M
Compound Under 10 Women	CU10W	Compound Under 10 Men	CU10M
Unlimited Women	UW	Unlimited Men	UM
Unlimited 50+ Women	U50W	Unlimited 50+ Men	U50M
Unlimited 60+ Women	U60W	Unlimited 60+ Men	U60M
Fixed Pins Women	FPW	Fixed Pins Men	FPM
Hunter Women	HW	Hunter Men	HM
Known Women	KW	Known Men	KM
Known Under 18 Women	KU18W	Known Under 18 Men	KU18M
Known Under 15 Women	KU15W	Known Under 15 Men	KU15M
Known Under 13 Women	KU13W	Known Under 13 Men	KU13M
Barebow, Longbow, WA Traditional and Traditional			
Barebow Women	BW	Barebow Men	BM
Barebow 50+ Women	B50W	Barebow 50+ Men	B50M
Barebow Under 21 Women	BU21W	Barebow Under 21 Men	BU21M
Barebow Under 18 Women	BU18W	Barebow Under 18 Men	BU18M

Barebow Under 15 Women	BU15W	Barebow Under 15 Men	BU15M
Barebow Under 13 Women	BU13W	Barebow Under 13 Men	BU13M
Longbow Women	LW	Longbow Men	LM
WA Traditional Women	IW	WA Traditional Men	IM
Traditional 50+ Women	T50W	Traditional 50+ Men	T50M
Traditional Under 21 Women	TU21W	Traditional Under 21 Men	TU21M
Traditional Under 18 Women	TU18W	Traditional Under 18 Men	TU18M
Traditional Under 15 Women	TU15W	Traditional Under 15 Men	TU15M
Traditional Under 13 Women	TU13W	Traditional Under 13 Men	TU13M

AC 4.5.7.0.2.2

Individual Finals Round:

- For the individual finals round, scores will carry over from the Qualification round total of 60 targets;
- Finals will be five (5) targets at varying distances and sizes;
- The TD will choose the targets and distances that archers will shoot during finals.
- The Finals will be shot on a Finals field.
 - One arrow per target;
 - One (1) minute to shoot one arrow;
 - Archers will be assigned one of the five (5) targets to start;
 - Archers will shoot and score their first target;
 - Archers will then rotate to the next target to shoot and score;
 - This is repeated until all five (5) targets have been shot;
 - For the **Individual Finals Only**, there will be a ring located ½ inch from top and right side of the 8 ring that will score 14 points. The size of the 14 ring will be 1.25 inch inner diameter. The rest of the rings score as normal.
- The highest three scores, Qualification plus Finals, after five targets, will be medalists.

AC 4.5.7.0.2.3 3D Mixed Team Event

- The Mixed Team event is a separate event.
- The registration fee per team will be set before each Championship.
- Registration for the mixed team is available in advance of the championship until the day before the Mixed Team competition.
- A mixed team consists of one female and one male athlete of the same group that also participate in the individual rounds of the Canadian Outdoor 3D Championships.
- PTSOs may designate a mixed team in the following Groups:

Group	Division / Class	Peg / Max. Yd.
Known	Known Senior and Hunter [†]	Orange / 50 yd.
Senior Compound	Senior Unlimited (all age classes)	Orange / 50 yd.
Youth Known	Known U18 and Known U15	White / 30 yd.
Un sighted	Traditional, Barebow, WA Traditional and Longbow	White / 30 yd.
[†] - Hunter will shoot max. 50 yd. in the mixed team round		

- In addition to PTSO designated teams, pairs of individuals who meet the requirements of a group above may register as Open Teams. Open team members do not need to be from the same province/territory.
- There will be a minimum of four (4) and a maximum of eight (8) teams in each of the four (4) Groups for a total maximum of 32 teams.

- Teams will be ranked according to Article AC 4.5.7.0.2.3.1. Only the eight (8) highest ranked teams in each group will proceed to the Mixed Team Elimination Round. For groups with more than eight (8) registered teams, entry fees will be refunded to those teams that do not advance to the Mixed Team Elimination Round.

AC 4.8.3.2

An event must be registered with Archery Canada at least 7 days in advance of the tournament start date. Events registered 6 days or less before the start of the tournament will not be approved, unless extenuating circumstances can be proved for the delay in registration. An event is not considered registered until the registration fee for the event is received by Archery Canada.

AC 4.8.3.8 (new for 2025)

For rounds held in Canada that are registered with World Archery, the host club must retain a copy of all scorecards for a minimum of 12 months after the event. The retained copy of the scorecard may be either paper or electronic.

AC 5.3.1.5

For Field Archery, records will be kept for all Archery Canada competition categories (except U10 & Hunter) for:

- Individual Field Archery Round (24 targets - 72 arrows). The round may be marked, unmarked, or a combination of the two.

AC 7.2.2 (new for 2025)

The use of target faces produced by a manufacturer licensed by World Archery also applies to Archery Canada registered competitions.

AC 7.2.2.3

re: Indoor target scoring

For all Categories shooting the compound bow divisions (except Para W1 Open division) in Canada....

For the indoor 18m and 25m Rounds:

The Compound target face will be used; OR

If the combined target face is used;

Only the inner Compound 10-ring shall score 10. The rest of the yellow scoring zone shall score 9;

This includes:

All Age Classes;

Compound Division;

Unlimited Division;

Fixed Pins Division;

(Hunter Division).

For the Para W1 Open Division,

For the indoor 18m and 25m Rounds:

The Recurve target face will be used; OR

If the combined target face is used, the outer Recurve 10-ring shall score 10, and the rest of the yellow scoring zone shall score 9.

For the indoor Canadian 300 Round:

For all categories, the combined target face must be used: the inner 10 ring shall score "X" with a value 10:

The outer 10-ring shall score 10 and;

The rest of the yellow scoring zone shall score 9.

See [Image 4: 1-10 Scoring Zones Target Face](#)).

AC 8.2.1 (new for 2025)

The use of target faces produced by a manufacturer licensed by World Archery also applies to Archery Canada registered competitions.

APP3.2.2

Schedule of Events at the Canadian Outdoor Target Championships will be scheduled as agreed between Archery Canada and the Organizing Committee. In addition to the shooting events, the following will be scheduled:

- An optional novelty event;
- Social events;
- National Judge Clinic;
- Tournament Information Meeting(s);
- Equipment Inspection;
- Archery Canada Annual General Meeting;
- Board of Directors Meeting;
- Medal Presentations.

APP3.2.3.4 Guests

(See Article 2.2.10, Book 1 re Guests)

Guests may register and shoot with competitors during the qualification round; however, Guests are not eligible to participate in the elimination rounds or to receive Canadian Championship awards.

APP3.2.3.4.1

If Guests participate in categories where medals are awarded based on the results of the qualification rounds as per AC 3.18.7.1, the Gold, and if applicable, Silver medal(s) will go to the top one or two Canadian participants.

APP3.2.3.4.2

[DELETED]

APP3.3.3.4 Guests

(See Article 2.2.10, Book 1 re Guests)

Guests may register and shoot with competitors during the qualification round; however, Guests are not eligible to participate in the elimination rounds or to receive Canadian Championship awards.

APP3.3.3.4.1

If Guests participate in categories where medals are awarded based on the results of the qualification rounds as per AC 3.18.7.2, the Gold, and if applicable, Silver medal(s) will go to the top one or two Canadian participants.

APP3.3.3.4.2

[DELETED]

APP3.3.13.2

There will be a minimum of four (4) courses of six (6) targets for the Elimination Round.

- Each course will be set up according to [Article 8.1.1.11](#);
- The 24 targets from the two (2) qualification courses may split into four (4) courses of six (6) targets or new courses can be set up to accommodate spectators

APP3.5.3.2 Guests

(See Article 2.2.10, Book 1 re Guests)

Guests may register and shoot with competitors during the qualification rounds; however, Guests are not eligible to participate in the elimination rounds or to receive Canadian Championship awards.

APP3.5.3.2.1

If Guests participate in categories where medals are awarded based on the results of the qualification rounds as per AC 4.5.7.0.2.2.2, the Gold, and if applicable, Silver medal(s) will go to the top one or two Canadian participants.

APP3.5.3.2.2

[DELETED]

APP3.7.0 General Procedures

- Matches are shot in 4 ends of 6 arrows per team.
- All matches at each stage are shot simultaneously with each team on its own target, except:
 - the final match shall be team alternate shooting if permitted by event timing.
- Scoring takes place after every end.
 - During the Round Robin Eliminations, each team will go to the targets to score.
 - During the Semi-Finals and Finals, each team will appoint an agent who will verify the arrow scores as called and recorded by a judge assigned to each pair of targets. The agent will withdraw the team's arrows and return them to the shooting line after the second end.
- Runners will return the scorecard for each match to the Results Official as soon as possible after each end.
- Blinds may be used for the judges, agents and runners to speed up the process.
- A tie is broken according to the normal Olympic Round Team Elimination Round team match play rules.

APP3.9.4.2

The Mail Match Coordinator will publish monthly updates of scores and average

APP3.11.3

The format of the Canada Cups will be:

- All Archery Canada equipment Divisions recognised for Outdoor Target Archery apply.
- All Archery Canada age classes except U10, U13 and U15 apply
- Archery Canada age classes will be combined in each equipment division and gender as follows for qualification, eliminations, and medals:
 - U21 and Senior (21+)
 - U18 and 50+
 - For the Barebow equipment division, if there are fewer than three (3) athletes in a combined age class, the athletes will be further combined into a single age class, i.e. all barebow athletes will compete in a single age class
- Event Schedule:
 - Day 1 (Friday):
 - am – Official Practice and equipment inspection;
 - pm – Official Practice and equipment inspection;
 - pm – optional 720 round (does not count towards ranking for eliminations).
 - Day 2 (Saturday):
 - am – 720 Ranking Round;
 - pm – Mixed Team Round.
 - Day 3 (Sunday):

- Individual Elimination and Medal Match Rounds:
 - No cut, all competitors advance to the Eliminations;
 - Eliminations/medal matches will only be held for combined categories with three (3) or more competitors;
 - Where a combined category has fewer than three competitors, medals will be awarded based on the combined ranking using the results of the qualification round
 - Para-classified athletes will be ranked and participate in the elimination round for the equivalent non-para equipment category
 - Medals will also be provided to para-classified athletes based on the rankings based on the results of the qualification round
 - All match rounds are shot simultaneously;
 - Matches will be single elimination:
 - Canadian Double Eliminations are optional if the schedule permits.
- Medal Presentations.

The above event schedule may be modified as agreed between Archery Canada and the Organizing Committee.

Book 3

Target Archery

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Unless modified by this amendment, all rules in the 2024.01.25 revision of Archery Canada Rule Book 3 remain in effect.

AC 12.8.1 (new for 2025)

For all events, smoking, vaping, or the use of electronic cigarettes is not permitted on the field of play during the published competition schedule.

For major AC events, this prohibition is extended to practice ranges, the spectator area and/or other designated areas at any time. Anyone wishing to smoke, vape, or use electronic cigarettes must move to a designated area or go outside of the range to a minimum distance of ten (10) metres from the entrance to the range.

Applicable local bylaws must always be followed for all events.

AC 12.8.2 (new for 2025)

All accredited persons, officials, and tournament volunteers shall refrain from carrying, consuming, using, or being under the influence of intoxicating substances (alcohol, cannabinoids, opioids, etc) while being on the field of play, practice ranges, and other designated areas. Breaches of this rule and any applicable penalties will be governed by the processes described in Book 2, AC 13.9.3 COMPETITION PANEL. Consideration will be made for individuals with medical use exemptions.

AC 15.1.7.1 (new for 2025)

Un-sportsmanlike conduct or other Code of Conduct (the “Code”) violations shall not be tolerated. Such conduct as reported to or observed by competition officials by an athlete, coach, or anyone deemed to be assisting an athlete shall be addressed as outlined in Book 2, AC 3.13.9 COMPETITION PANEL.

[AC Note: *For more information on what is considered un-sportsmanlike conduct in Canada, see Book 1, Appendix 2 - Archery Canada Code of Conduct and Ethics and the [Canadian Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport \(UCCMS\)](#)*]

AC 22.11.5

Rangefinders may be used by archers to determine distance.

- Known Articles AC 22.17.5, AC 22.17.6, and AC 22.17.7 will also apply.

Book 4

Field and 3D Archery

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Unless modified by this amendment, all rules in the 2024.01.25 revision of Archery Canada Rule Book 4 remain in effect.

AC 22 ATHLETES EQUIPMENT – ARCHERY CANADA

For Field Archery, [Article 22.1](#); [Article 22.2](#); and [Article 22.3](#) (Recurve, Compound & Barebow Divisions, respectively) also apply to athlete's equipment permitted for use in Archery Canada registered Field events. Additional divisions (described in [Article AC 22.8](#) to [AC 22.11](#)) are recognized by Archery Canada but not recognized for World Archery.

Archery Canada recognizes the following equipment divisions for Field Archery:

WA 22.1	Recurve	All Classes
WA 22.3	Barebow	All Classes
WA 22.4	WA Traditional	Senior
WA 22.5	Longbow	Senior
WA 22.2	Compound	All Classes
AC 22.8	Unlimited	Senior
AC 22.9	Fixed Pins	Senior
AC 22.11	Hunter	Senior

For Canadian 3D Archery, [Article 22.1](#) & [Article 22.2](#) (Recurve and Compound Divisions, respectively) are NOT RECOGNIZED for use in Archery Canada registered 3D events. Additional divisions (described in [Article AC 22.8](#) to [Article AC 22.17](#)) are recognized by Archery Canada but not recognized for World Archery.

Archery Canada recognizes the following equipment divisions for Canadian 3D Archery:

WA 22.3	Barebow	Senior
WA 22.4	WA Traditional	Senior
WA 22.5	Longbow	Senior
AC 22.8	Unlimited	Senior, 50+, 60+
AC 22.9	Fixed Pins	Senior
AC 22.14	Traditional	50+, 60+, U21, U18, U15, U13
AC 22.11	Hunter	Senior
AC 22.17	Known	Senior, U18, U15, U13

22.4. WA TRADITIONAL DIVISION

[AC Note: to differentiate between the World Archery “Traditional Division” and the Archery Canada “Traditional Division”, the World Archery “Traditional Division” has been renamed “WA Traditional Division” throughout the Archery Canada rule book.]

For the [WA Traditional](#) Division, the following items are permitted:

AC 22.11.5

Range finders may be used by archers to determine distance.

- Known Articles [AC 22.17.5](#), [AC 22.17.6](#), and [AC 22.17.7](#) will also apply.

AC 26.4.1 (new for 2025)

For all events, smoking, vaping, or the use of electronic cigarettes is not permitted on the field of play during the published competition schedule.

For major AC events, this prohibition is extended to practice ranges, the spectator area and/or other designated areas at any time. Anyone wishing to smoke, vape, or use electronic cigarettes must move to a designated area or go outside of the range to a minimum distance of ten (10) metres from the entrance to the range.

Applicable local bylaws must always be followed for all events.

AC 26.4.2 (new for 2025)

All accredited persons, officials, and tournament volunteers shall refrain from carrying, consuming, using, or being under the influence of intoxicating substances (alcohol, cannabinoids, opioids, etc) while being on the field of play, practice ranges, and other designated areas. Breaches of this rule and any applicable penalties will be governed by the processes described in Book 2, AC 13.9.3 COMPETITION PANEL. Consideration will be made for individuals with medical use exemptions.

AC 27.6.1 (new for 2025)

Un-sportsmanlike conduct or other Code of Conduct (the “Code”) violations shall not be tolerated. Such conduct as reported to or observed by competition officials by an athlete, coach, or anyone deemed to be assisting an athlete shall be addressed as outlined in Book 2, AC 3.13.9 COMPETITION PANEL.

[AC Note: *For more information on what is considered un-sportsmanlike conduct in Canada, see Book 1, Appendix 2 - Archery Canada Code of Conduct and Ethics and the [Canadian Universal Code of Conduct to Prevent and Address Maltreatment in Sport \(UCCMS\)](#)*]