

<b>Policy Name</b> <b>2026 World Archery 3D Championships – Date and Location TBC</b>		
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## 1. Introduction

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This document is an event specific Selection Policy and Process for the 3D World Championship team. The purpose of this policy and process is to clearly define the criteria and selection process used by Archery Canada to select the 2026 World Archery 3D Championships team.

## 2. Team Size

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The maximum number of archers whom Canada can enter into the 2026 World Archery 3D Championships are:

- 3 Compound Men
- 3 Compound Women
- 3 Barebow Men
- 3 Barebow Women
- 3 Longbow Men
- 3 Longbow Women
- 3 Traditional Men
- 3 Traditional Women

Archery Canada's objective is to send a team of competitive archers. Based on the process set out below, the team will be composed of up to the maximum athletes per category above who have demonstrated their skills or potential to be competitive and/or contribute to the event objectives.

The World Championships is a partially funded event, with the majority of expenses borne by the selected athletes. Archery Canada will provide a travel subsidy to athletes selected and will cover the costs of one non-competing team manager. The team will be further supported through fundraising initiatives of the Archery Foundation.

### 3. Eligibility Criteria for the 2026 World Archery 3D Championships

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Archers are eligible for consideration provided they:

- Are Archery Canada registrants, in good standing
- Have satisfied all eligibility under the rules of World Archery and subject to any changes it may introduce subsequent to the publication of this policy.
- Hold a current Canadian Passport, which will be valid for at least six months after the return date for this event.
- Have not represented any other member association as a National Team Member for at least one (1) year before the date of competition
- If an athlete wants to compete for a National Team other than the one for which they hold a valid passport, they will have resided in the new country for at least one year before the date of competition and shall have the written permission of the Member Association, if any, of the country from which he has a valid passport.
- Are available for selection of the stated event
- Have submitted their intent to be considered for the 2026 World Archery 3D Championships by completing the application form no later than July 20th, 2025. <https://forms.gle/VKLtUGXnbfagRw4YA>
- Will compete at the 2025 Canadian 3D Trials in Lac la Biche, AB. This event will be the only qualifying specific event.
- Will meet the Selection Requirements, as outlined in 7.1 and 7.2 below.

### 4. Event Performance Targets

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- Team Canada to podium in at least 3 events (Individual or Team combined)
- Continue on previous improvements, obtain a Gold medal in at least one category

## **5. Championship Selection Authority**

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Selection for the 2025 World Archery 3D Championships team will be conducted in line with established Archery Canada National Team Selection Policies using current competitive performance standards as set at 3D World Archery International events.

The policy has been developed and approved in consultation with the Canadian 3D Archery Committee.

A Selection Review Panel (SRP), comprising of:

- (1) Archery Canada Board Member
- (1) Neutral Party
- (1) Non-Competing 3D Committee Member

will review the pool of athletes who have expressed their intention to compete. The Selection Approval Panel may elect to take fewer than the maximum number of permitted athletes. The panel will identify one (1) non-traveling alternate per category and will be tasked with the monitoring process of selected athletes. The non-travelling alternate should be prepared to travel, if selected to the team.

## **6. Selection Period**

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Team selection will be determined using the scores obtained at the 2025 Canadian 3D Team Trials, in Lac la Biche, AB. Selected Archers will be determined following this event and will need to adhere to a monitoring process, to ensure engagement and opportunities for the athletes to continuously assess and monitor their training progress at a National level, in the lead up to the World Championships. Please see section 7.2 for further details

## **7. Selection Criteria**

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Archers wishing to be considered for the Canadian World Archery 3D Championships team for 2026 will be required to submit their intent to compete for a spot through the Intent to compete application form no later than July 20th, 2025. Archers who put their name in contention must attend and shoot all rounds at the 2025 Canadian Outdoor 3D Championships in the Senior category they would be attempting to qualify for. Only scores

from Qualification rounds and Elimination matches will be considered, unless the maximum team size has not been met (see 7.2).

Figure 1: Example of calculation of Arrow Average

**Barebow Men**

Rk	Archer	P/T	Rank	Total (after 3 rds)	Arrows	finals 5	Net	AAV
1	Athlete Name	NL	1	580	60	49	531	<b><u>8.8500</u></b>

**7.1 Selection to the Team**

The top 3 eligible archers from the Trials who have submitted their intent to complete an application, upon achieving the average or above average arrow score, as outlined in Table 2, will be automatically nominated to the team up to the maximum spots available for each category. The parameters for the Trials are included in the Appendix of this selection Selection Policy and Process.

Results from the following Senior categories shot at the Trials will be eligible for consideration: Compound Unlimited (Men & Women), Barebow (Men & Women), Longbow (Men & Women), Traditional (Men & Women).

**Table 1.0 - Average World Archery Average Arrow Scores from top 16 athletes**

Average Total Score*		
	Men	Women
Compound	10	9.34
Barebow	8.86	7.64
Longbow	7.73	6.53
Traditional	8.52	7.23

Table 2.0 - Canadian Standards to be attained. The scores below are based on arrow average of the top 16 athletes and adjusted down by 5%

Average Arrow Total*		
	Men	Women
Compound	9.5	8.87

Barebow	8.42	7.26
Longbow	7.34	6.20
Traditional	8.10	6.87

7.2 If less than 3 athletes shoot the minimum benchmark for the defined scores, and there are places remaining on the team, the criteria outlined below will be used to determine which athletes may be nominated to the team. The Selection Approval Panel will review the appropriate data within two weeks of the end of the 2025 Canadian 3D Team Trials.

**7.2.1 If no sports are filled by obtaining average arrow score:**

At the 2025 Canadian 3D Team Trials, if the average arrow score is not obtained by any archers in contention for the team, then up to the two (2) highest ranking archers at the selection event will be provisionally named and must obtain the required qualification arrow average at a significant event as approved in advance by the Selection Approval Panel.

**7.2.2 If one spot is filled.**

If only one spot is filled by obtaining the average arrow score at the 2025 Canadian 3D Team Trials, a second spot can be filled by the next highest ranked archer in that category at the selection event provided there are at least 5 competitors in the category.

**7.2.3 If positions remain**

If spots remain unfilled after following the criteria set out in 7.2.1 and 7.2.2, then an archer who has submitted intent can make a written request to be considered to be part of the team, including evidence of performance potential based on 3D competition within the past year. These requests will be evaluated on an individual basis by the Selection Approval Panel, based on existing nominations in the related category. The composition of the Selection Approval Panel is outlined in Section 5 of this document.

**7.2.5 Reserves**

The SAP will select an archer, who has submitted intent, for each category with 2 or 3 nominations to be named as a reserve. The SAP may review scores from the 2025 Canadian 3D Team Trials or 2025 Canadian Championships to name a reserve.

### **7.26 Unanticipated circumstances**

Where there is a lack of clarity of unanticipated circumstances that arise, and are not covered in this selection criteria, a final and binding decision will be made by the Selection Review Panel.

## **7.2 Maintaining Selection Status**

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The process will include:

- Score submission: Archers are expected to submit 8 scores throughout the year to the Archery Canada VP-3D and the selected Team Manager. Scores should include participating at Outdoor Canadian Championships in Ontario in 2026 (pending announced date of the World Championships).
- Attendance at their Provincial 3D Championships (Score card to be submitted electronically)
- Attend a training camp at the 2026 Outdoor Canadian Championships in Ontario. Unless illness or extenuating circumstances in which case written permission will be needed by Team Manager for athlete not to attend.

## **8. Team Organization**

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There will be one team from an organizational perspective, consisting of the selected athletes, coaches and/or team managers, nominated alternates (non-traveling), and any associated members for the Archery Canada team.

A team leader application process will be advertised to the community, with the team leader being notified and announced within 2 weeks of selection. Archery Canada will be responsible for registering all archers and managers for the 2026 World Archery 3D Championships, as well as making hotel, & transportation reservations for the team. Once detailed information for the Championships is available, this will be communicated to the selected team in a timely manner.

## **9. Funding**

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There will be funding from Archery Canada and the Canadian Archery Foundation for the 2026 World Archery 3D Championships. This funding may not cover all costs involved, and

archers should anticipate for a portion of self-funding. The Team Manager will be fully funded.

As of publishing of the criteria, the exact funding level for this team is undetermined but will be announced as of May 1, 2026. A team fundraising program through the Archery Foundation will be implemented to assist all team members.

Funding levels for each athlete nominated to the team, will be decided based on how the archer qualified to the team, as outlined in Table 3.0 below:

Table 3: Funding levels

Qualification Method	Tier Number	Funding Percentage
Achieving a score at or above the top 16 average	One	Receive the full amount of allocated funds per archer (minimum \$1,000)
Achieving an adjusted average arrow score (outlined in table 2.)	Two	Receive 1/2 of the allocated funds per archer
Through a medal position or top three after two rounds.	Three	Limited funding. WA License and part or all of uniform costs (TBC)

## 10. Removal from the team

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- a) If an archer named to the team cannot attend the 2026 World Championships, for any reason, and withdraws from the team, the designated alternate will be substituted for that archer and a new alternate selected from the team selection list.
- b) If an archer named to the Canadian World 3D Team fails to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Archery Canada Athlete Agreement, he/she may be removed from the Team, and the designated alternate will be substituted for that archer. This decision will be made by the Chair of the 3D Committee (VP 3D Programs), and the Executive Director of Archery Canada, in consultation with the Team Leader for the 2026 Canadian World 3D Team and the archer. If removal of the nominated archer from the Team is deemed to be warranted, the designated alternate will be named to the Team and the next archer on the Team Selection Ranking List will be named as the alternate.

- c) The process in 10b above will be implemented by filing a complaint under the Archery Canada complaint policy. <https://archerycanada.ca/about-us/policies/>

## 11. Disputes, Discipline, Complaints or Appeals

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- a) The Chair of the Archery Canada 3D Committee or his/her designate will settle any requests for clarification concerning eligibility for Team selection.
- b) Concerns surrounding this Team Selection document are to be made to the Chair of the 3D Committee via the Archery Canada national office.
- c) Challenges regarding the implementation of this Team Selection document will be settled using Archery Canada's Appeal Policy. <https://archerycanada.ca/about-us/policies/>
- d) If an archer named to the World 3D Championships Team fails to adhere to the terms and conditions of the Archery Canada Athlete Agreement, the Archery Canada Discipline Policy may be implemented.
- e) All discipline, complaints and/or appeals filed under Archery Canada's Discipline, Complaint or Appeal Policies and including appeals to the Alternative Dispute Resolution Centre, must be settled 30 days prior to the event.

## 12. Amendments & Unforeseen Circumstances

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In the event of changes by World Archery (WA) to the selection and eligibility criteria, Archery Canada is bound by these changes and will review and amend this document to comply with the new regulations or conditions.

Further, situations may arise that do not allow this Selection Policy and Process to be modified or applied as written due to time constraints or other exceptional and unforeseen circumstances. In such situations, any decision, including nomination decisions, will be made by the individual(s) with decision-making authority, as stated in this Selection Policy and Process, in consultation with the relevant individual(s) or committee(s) (as applicable), and in accordance with the stated performance objectives and selection policy and approach as stated herein. Should it be necessary to make any decision in this manner, Archery Canada will communicate with all affected individuals as soon as possible.



In the event of unforeseen or unusual circumstances, as determined by the Archery Canada 3D Committee, the Archery Canada 3D Committee shall have the full discretion to resolve the matter as it sees fit, taking into account factors and circumstances that it deems relevant. Any such exercise of discretion shall be subject to the Canadian administrative law principles of fairness.

## APPENDIX 1: 2025 Canadian 3D Team Trials

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1. The 2025 Canadian 3D Team Trials will be held on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 in Lac la Biche, AB at the Lakeland Archers Archery Club.
2. The scores of the trials will not be combined with another tournament for the purpose of initial selection
3. Archers who participate in the trials must have demonstrated ability to achieve the arrow average as set out in section 7 of the Selection Policy and Process and may be asked to provide a record of such a result.
4. The trials will be conducted following World Archery rules as set out in Book 2 and Book 4 using a modified Qualification Round consisting of two 3D rounds. Each Round will consist of 20 unmarked targets. Two arrows are shot per peg. These targets shall be laid out in a course considering the challenges in aiming and shooting as the tradition of the discipline requires. The distances for targets are set out in 9.1.1.7.