



IPC Archery RULE BOOK

IPC ARCHERY RULES

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INTRODUCTION

This document outlines the rules that will govern the archery competitions sanctioned or approved by the International Paralympic Committee & Archery Sports Assembly Executive Committee (SAEC).

The IPC archery competitions will be governed by the technical rules governing competition on the field of play of the Federation Internationale de Tir a l'Arc (FITA), together with the changes and amendments included hereafter.

Chapter 1 – Sport Technical Rules

1.1 DISCIPLINES

1.1.1 Competitions in the Sport of Archery are classified in the following disciplines:

- Outdoor Target Archery;
- Indoor Target Archery;
- Field Archery (experimental)
- Ski Archery / Arcathlon (experimental)

1.2 DIVISIONS

1.2.1 Competitors using different types of bows are grouped in separate divisions and compete in separate events.

1.2.2 IPC recognises the following Divisions:

1.2.2.1 For Outdoor Target Archery:

- Recurve Division with equipment as specified in FITA Article 7.3.1 with the addition of 2.7.2.4 and 2.7.2.5 classification rules for athletes in ARW1 class.
- Compound Division with equipment as specified in FITA Article 7.3.3.

1.2.2.2 For Indoor Target Archery:

- Recurve Division with equipment as specified in FITA Article 8.3.1 with the addition of 4.7.2.4. and 4.7.2.5 classification rules for athletes in ARW1 class.
- Compound Division with equipment as specified in FITA Article 8.3.2.

1.2.2.3 For Field Archery:

- Recurve Division with equipment as specified in FITA Article 9.3.1 (see also Article 9.3.4);

- Compound Division with equipment as specified in FITA Article 9.3.2 (see also Article 9.3.4).
- Barebow Division with equipment as specified in FITA Article 9.3.3 (see also Article 9.3.4 and 9.3.5);
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1.2.2.4 For Ski Archery:

- OPEN Division with equipment as specified in Biathlon Union Rules as agreed by FITA.

1.3 CLASSES

1.3.1 IPC recognises the following classes:

1.3.1.1 For Recurve division

- Women: ARW1 (*with sub-class ARW1-C*) - ARW2 - ARST (*with sub-class ARST-C*);
- Men: ARW1 (*with sub-class ARW1-C*) - ARW2 - ARST (*with sub-class ARST-C*).

N.B. For specific rules relating to the use of wheelchairs and ordinary chairs, see classification rules 2.7.2.1 and 2.7.2.2.

1.3.1.2 For Compound division

- Women OPEN
- Men OPEN

1.4 ROUNDS

1.4.1 OUTDOOR TARGET ROUNDS

1.4.1.1 IPC Outdoor Target Rounds may be shot by both the Recurve and Compound Division in separate divisions.

1.4.1.2 In the Paralympic Games, only the Recurve Division may compete.

1.4.1.3 The FITA Outdoor Target Round, consisting of 36 arrows from each of the following distances in this order:

70, 60, 50, 30 meters for Women and ARW1 Men Class; 90, 70, 50, 30 meters for ARW2 and ARST Men Classes; or in the order 30, 50, 60, 70 meters for Women and ARW1 Men Class; 30, 50, 70, 90 meters for ARW2 and ARST and OPEN Men Classes.

1.4.1.4 The Double FITA Outdoor Target Round, consisting of two (2) FITA Outdoor Target Rounds shot consecutively.

1.4.1.5 The Olympic Round, in which women and men shoot separately, consists of:

- The Elimination Round: the top sixty-four (64) competitors in each class are seeded according to their position in the Qualification Round (see Olympic Round Individual Seeding Diagram, FITA Rules - Appendix 11). They shoot a series of matches in groups, each match consisting of three (3) ends of six (6) arrows shot in four (4) minutes at 70 meters on 122cm target faces;
- The Final Round: the top eight (8) competitors in each class remaining from the Elimination Round shoot a series of individual matches, each match consisting of four (4) ends of three (3) arrows at 70 meters on 122cm target faces, culminating in the Gold Medal match. The competitors shall alternate shooting one (1) arrow at a time, 40 seconds per arrow;
- The Team Elimination Round: the top sixteen (16) teams of three (3) competitors (16 women's teams and 16 men's teams) seeded according to their positions as determined by their total score in the Qualification Round (see Olympic Round Team Seeding Diagram), shoot simultaneously a series of matches, each match consisting of three (3) ends of nine (9) arrows shot in three minutes at 70 meters on 122cm target faces;
- The Team Final Round: the top four (4) teams of women and the top four (4) teams of men remaining from the Elimination Round shoot a series of individual matches, each match consisting of three (3) ends of nine (9) arrows shot in three minutes at 70 meters on 122cm target faces, culminating in the Team Gold Medal match.

- 1.4.1.6 The FITA 70 Meter Round, consisting of 72 arrows shot at 70 meters on the 122cm target face.
- 1.4.1.7 The Half FITA Round, consisting of eighteen (18) arrows shot from each of the distances of the FITA Outdoor Target Round.
- 1.4.1.8 The FITA 900 Round, consisting of thirty (30) arrows from each of the following distances on the 122cm target face: 60, 50, 40 meters for all Classes.
- 1.4.1.9 The FITA Standard Round (also known as Short Metric), consisting of thirty-six (36) arrows at 50 meters and thirty-six (36) arrows at 30 meters shot outdoors in ends of three (3) arrows on ten-zone 122cm diameter faces at both distances.
- 1.4.1.10 *The Facilitated Round (reserved to sub-classes ARW1-C and ARST-C), consisting of thirty-six (36) arrows on ten-zone 80cm diameter faces at 25 meters and thirty-six (36) arrows on ten-zone 60cm diameter faces at 18 meters shot outdoors in ends of three (3) arrows.*
- 1.4.1.11 *The Facilitated Double Round (reserved to sub-classes ARW1-C and ARST-C), consisting of 2 x thirty-six (36) arrows on ten-zone 80cm diameter faces at 25 meters and 2 x thirty-six (36) arrows on*

ten-zone 60cm diameter faces at 18 meters shot outdoors in ends of three (3) arrows.

1.4.2 INDOOR TARGET ROUNDS

- 1.4.2.1 IPC Indoor Target Rounds may be shot by both the Recurve and Compound Divisions in separate Divisions.
- 1.4.2.2 The 25 meter FITA Indoor Round, consists of 60 arrows on 60 cm diameter faces for all classes.
- 1.4.2.3 The 18 meter FITA Indoor Round, consists of 60 arrows on 40 cm diameter faces or triple faces, for all classes.
- 1.4.2.4 The Combined FITA Indoor Round, consists of the above two Rounds shot in succession in that order.
- 1.4.2.5 The Indoor Olympic Round, shot entirely on the 40cm diameter triple faces, consists of:
- The Elimination Round in which the top 32 competitors in each class are seeded according to their position in the Qualification Round (see Indoor Olympic Round Individual Seeding Diagram). They shoot a series of matches, each match consisting of six (6) ends of three (3) arrows shot in two (2) minutes at 18 meters;
 - The Final Round, in which the top 8 competitors in each class remaining from the Elimination Round shoot a series of individual matches, each match consisting of four (4) ends of three (3) arrows shot at 18 meters, culminating in the Gold Medal match; the competitors shall alternate shooting one arrow at a time, 40 seconds per arrow;
 - The Team Elimination Round in which the top 16 teams of three (3) competitors (16 women's teams and top 16 men's teams) seeded according to their positions as determined by their total scores in the Qualification Round (see Olympic Round Team Seeding Diagram), shoot simultaneously a series of matches, each match consisting of three (3) ends of nine (9) arrows shot in three (3) minutes at 18 meters;
 - The Team Finals Round, in which the top four (4) teams of women and the top four (4) teams of men remaining from the Elimination Round shoot a series of individual matches, each match consisting of three (3) ends of nine (9) arrows shot in three minutes at 18 meters, culminating in the Team Gold Medal match.
- 1.4.2.6 The Duel Match Round shot entirely on the 40cm diameter vertical triple faces. (See FITA Chapter 11.2)
- 1.4.2.7 *The 25 meter Facilitated Indoor Round, consists of 60 arrows on 80 cm diameter faces, reserved to sub-classes ARW1-C and ARST-C.*
- 1.4.2.8 *The 18 meter Facilitated Indoor Round, consists of 60 arrows on 60 cm diameter faces, reserved to sub-classes ARW1-C and ARST-C.*
- 1.4.2.9 *The Combined Facilitated Indoor Round, consists of the above two Rounds shot in succession in that order.*

1.5 EVENTS AND TOURNAMENTS

- 1.5.1 A competition, for which a separate list of results and separate set of prizes and/or titles can be given, is called an event.
- 1.5.2 In the Recurve Division classes ARW2 and ARST are grouped together for the Open Team Event. When shooting at the same distances, ARW1 archers can also compete in the Open Team Event, otherwise there will be a separate ARW1 Team Event.
- 1.5.3 A tournament is an organised competition consisting of one or more events. Where tournaments consist of events belonging to more than one discipline, as specified above, the program will follow the order in which the disciplines are listed therein.
- 1.5.4 No competitor, other than a member of a Member Association affiliated to IPC, may compete in tournaments to be recognised by IPC.

1.6 PROGRAMMED EVENTS AND CLASSES

- 1.6.1 For the Recurve Division:
- ARW1 individual men
 - ARW2 individual men
 - ARST individual men
 - ARW1 individual women
 - ARW2 individual women
 - ARST individual women
 - *ARW1-C individual men*
 - *ARST-C individual men*
 - *ARW1-C individual women*
 - *ARST-C individual women*
 - ARW1 team men and women (only for FITA Round and Double FITA Round)
 - OPEN team men
 - OPEN team women
- 1.6.2 For the Compound Division:
- OPEN individual men
 - OPEN individual women
 - OPEN team men
 - OPEN team women

1.7 IPC EVENTS

1.7.1 Only tournaments consisting of one or more of the following events, as described in detail in the relevant Article on the shooting rules, can obtain official recognition by IPC.

1.7.2 In the discipline of **Outdoor Target Archery**: - for both Recurve and Compound Divisions for Women and Men's classes:

The FITA Outdoor Target Round
The FITA Outdoor Target Round for Teams
The Double FITA Outdoor Target Round
The Double FITA Outdoor Target Round for Teams
The FITA 70 Meters Round
The FITA 70 Meters Round for Teams
The Olympic Round
The Olympic Team Round
The FITA Standard Round (Short Metric)
The FITA Standard Round (Short Metric) for Teams
The Facilitated Round
The Facilitated Round for Teams
The Double Facilitated Round
The Double Facilitated Round for Teams

In the discipline of **Indoor Target Archery**: - for both Recurve and Compound Divisions for Women and Men's classes:

The 25 meter FITA Indoor Round.
The 18 meter FITA Indoor Round.
The Combined FITA Indoor Round.
The Indoor Olympic Round.
The Indoor Olympic Team Round.
The 25-meter facilitated Indoor Round.
The 18-meter facilitated Indoor Round.
The Combined facilitated Indoor Round.

In the discipline of **Field Archery**: - for the Barebow, Recurve and Compound Divisions for Women and Men's classes:

FITA Field Round;

1.8 WORLD AND REGIONAL RECORDS

1.8.1 A new record shall be established when a score is at least one point higher than an existing record.

1.8.2 For Outdoor Target Archery, for women and men, for each class in the Recurve and Compound Divisions:

- Individual FITA Round (144 arrows)
- Individual Double FITA Round (288 arrows)
- Individual 90 meters (36 arrows - W2 men and ST men)

- Individual 70 meters (36 arrows)
- Individual 60 meters (36 arrows - women and W1 men)
- Individual 50 meters (36 arrows)
- Individual 30 meters (36 arrows)
- Team FITA Round (3 x 144 arrows)
- Individual 70 meters Round (72 arrows)
- Individual Olympic Round match (18 arrows)
- Individual Olympic Round Finals match (12 arrows)
- Individual Olympic Round Finals total (3 x 12 arrows)
- Team 70 meters Round (3 x 72 arrows)
- Olympic Round Team Match (27 arrows)
- Olympic Round Team Finals total (2 x 27 arrows)

1.8.2.1 *For subclasses ARW1-C and ARST-C*

- *Individual 25 meters (36 arrows)*
- *Individual 18 meters (36 arrows)*
- *Individual Facilitated Round (72 arrows)*
- *Individual Double Facilitated Round (144 arrows)*
- *Team Facilitated Round (3 x 72 arrows)*
- *Team Double Facilitated Round (3 x 144 arrows)*

1.8.3 For Indoor Target Archery, for women and men, for each class and subclasses in the Recurve and Compound Divisions:

- Individual 18 meters (60 arrows)
- Individual Indoor Olympic Round match (18 arrows)
- Individual Indoor Olympic Round finals match (12 arrows)
- Individual Olympic Round Final total (36 arrows)
- Individual 25 meters (60 arrows)
- Indoor Olympic Round Team match (27 arrows)
- Indoor Olympic Round Team match total (2 x 27 arrows)

1.8.4 Records shall be subject to confirmation by the IPC Archery SAEC.
 1.8.5 Scores made at World Championships and Paralympic Games shall be submitted to the IPC Archery SAEC. Scores made at other tournaments shall be sent to the IPC Archery SAEC no later than 30 days after the tournament in question by the Member Nation to which the athlete belongs together with date of the tournament and a declaration that the tournament was completed under IPC and FITA Rules;

- Confirmation that a competitor, in respect of whose score records are being claimed, was a member of a Member Nation at the time;
- Name, nationality, gender and classification of the competitor;
- Details of the record claimed and supported by the results summary and original scorecard or a properly witnessed copy thereof.

- 1.8.6 Details of new records shall be circulated by the IPC Archery SAEC to all Member Associations. See Appendix 3: Record Claiming.

1.9 WORLD RANKING LIST

- 1.9.1 The IPC Archery Secretary will keep biannual Ranking based on the results of World Championships, Regional Championships, Paralympic Games, sanctioned and approved competitions of the last 12 months.
- 1.9.2 Each NPC must send no later than 30 days after the end of the year a complete Ranking List of its archers with name, gender, division, classification, score, tournament name, place and date for each athlete and the relative results list when needed (only for IPC approved events and FITA Star tournaments). See Appendix 4: National Ranking Declaration Form
- 1.9.3 The IPC Ranking List can be used to define entries in Championships and Paralympic Games.

1.10 VENUE

- 1.10.1 The competition, training and practice venues will have all of the necessary equipment and suitable access conditions.
- 1.10.2 Wheelchair archers must be able to go by themselves from the gate door to the waiting and the shooting line
- 1.10.3 Two or three archers will be placed on each target at international level. Wheelchair or other seated archers may stay on the shooting line at all times.
- 1.10.3 The ground should be laid out as described in FITA Rules with the exception that at least 1.30 m. per archer must be allowed. This means that lanes must be 2.60 m. (or 3.90 m.) for individual events and 3.90 m. for Team events.

Chapter 2 – Classification Rules

2.1 ARCHERY CLASSES

Archery will be comprised of the following classes

ARW1 (with sub-class ARW1-C)
ARW2
ARST (with sub-class ARST-C)

2.2 FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

This classification system uses disability profiles and a numerical calculation of locomotor ability as guidelines.

2.3 LOCOMOTOR DISABILITIES

2.3.1 All locomotor abilities are tested for the:
Assessment of points for muscle strength testing and/or
Assessment of points for dysfunction (co-ordination) testing and/or
Assessment of points for joint mobility.

4.3.2 380 points has been allocated as relating to an able-bodied archer.

Body segment	
Arms	190
Trunk	60
Legs	130
Total	380

2.3.3 The minimal handicap to be eligible to compete is either a loss of 25 points in the upper limbs, 20 points in the trunk, 15 in the lower limbs or 25 points in total.

2.3.4 Observation of the archer shooting follows and updates the points calculation assessments. This will demonstrate the functional abilities applied in the shooting.

2.4 CLASSIFICATION PROCEDURE

2.4.1 Each classification Team shall consist of at least three authorized classifiers, one of them being a medical.

2.4.2 Complete personal details on the Classification Report.

2.4.3 Testing to be done on a horizontal medical testing bench.

2.4.4 Perform the Bench Test. Look at all of the following strengths and where necessary complete the appropriate test/tests.

Assessment of points for muscle testing and/or
Assessment of points for dysfunction (co-ordination) testing and/or
Assessment of points for joint mobility.
Type of amputations to loss of functional ability.

- 2.4.5 For the archer who has multiple disabilities the tester assesses which of the disabilities (muscle strengths, coordination, range of movement) is functionally more severe and test accordingly.
- 2.4.6 Make a note of the assistive devices provided they are allowed within the rules.
- 2.4.7 Perform the shooting test and if necessary update the point assessment
- 2.4.8 Note: it is more important to complete the shooting test when the shoulder function is affected.

2.5 ASSESMENT OF POINTS

2.5.1 Muscle strength testing

- 0 - Total lack of voluntary contraction
- 1 - Trace, faint contraction without any movement
- 2 - Poor, contraction with very weak movement when gravity is eliminated
- 3 - Fair, contraction with movement against gravity
- 4 - Good, contraction against gravity and some resistance
- 5 - Normal, contraction of normal strength against full resistance

2.5.2 Dysfunction (co-ordination, spasticity, athetosis, ataxias) testing

- 0 - No functional movement at all
- 1 - Very minimally co-ordinated movements and/or very severely restricted range of movement due to severe hypertonic muscle stiffness
- 2 - The sequence of movement is very difficult and can only be carried out very slowly and uncoordinated and/or not more than 25% range of movement during fast repetition and/or severely restricted range of movement with severe spasticity - hypertonic muscle stiffness present
- 3 - The movements can only be carried out slowly but roughly without faults and/or not more than 50% range of motion by fast repetition and/or moderate range of movement with moderate spasticity with tone restricting movement and/or moderate co-ordination problems.
- 4 - The movements are slightly uncoordinated and/or not more than 75% range of motion by fast repetition and/or slight increase in muscle tone.

5 - Normal

- 2.5.2.1 Archers with spasticity, ataxia and/or athetosis will be tested with an active tempo-motion test.
- 2.5.2.2 Associated reactions of upper and lower limbs have to be watched carefully during shooting test.
- 2.5.2.3 Reactions and co-ordinating effect of the antagonistic muscle must be taken into consideration for upper limbs and upper trunk.
- 2.5.2.4 Testing should be repeated with the neck turned into the shooting position to note influence of the postural reflexes.
- 2.5.2.5 Evaluation of the trunk co-ordination must be done mainly in the shooting test, considering that some incorrect positions or movements are caused by the technical level reached by the athlete and/or by incorrect shooting equipment or assertive devices used and not by functional disabilities.

2.5.3 Range of Movement testing

0 - No range of movement

1 - Minimal range of movement

2 - 1/4 movement

3 - 1/2 movement

4 - 3/4 movement

5 - Full range of movement

2.6 CLASS PROFILES

2.6.1 ARW1

Defined as a tetraplegic archer in a wheelchair or comparable disability.

2.6.1.1 Practical Profile:

Arms: Limitations in functional range of movement, strengths or control.

Plus

Trunk: poor or non-existing control and/or static balance, with the bow raised towards the target

And/or

Lower Limbs: considered non-functional due to amputation, limitation in range of movement, strength and/or control (minimal ability to walk over long distances)

2.6.1.2 Disability Profile:

Tetraplegia

Quadriplegia, Triplegia or severe diplegia with limitation in control of upper extremities or upper extremity spasticity (spasticity grade scale for muscle tone 2-4) ???(almost limitation of draw weight due to shoulder and string arm elbow function or limitation of function of both hands, not considering the wrist).???

Double amputation below knee associated with hip articulation or double above knee amputation with short stumps (i.e. proximal 1/3) associated with amputations in both arms or limitations in functional range of movement, strength or control.

2.6.1.3 Minimum disability in each arm: 5 points associated with minimum disability of 15 points in the trunk or of 35 points in lower limbs or of 8 points in the trunk and 20 in lower limbs.

2.6.2 ARW1-C

Within ARW1 archers with a higher handicap could be allocated to a sub-class ARW1-C allowed to compete in facilitate rounds.

2.6.2.1 Minimum disability in each arm: 20 points associated with Minimum disability of 15 points in the trunk or of 35 points in lower limbs or of 8 points in the trunk and 20 in lower limbs.

2.6.3 ARW2

Defined as paraplegic archer in a wheelchair or comparable disability.

2.6.3.1 Practical Profile:

- Arms: No limitations in functional range of movement, strength or control
- Trunk: from good to very poor or non-existing control and static balance, with the bow raised towards the target
- Lower Limbs: considered non-functional due to amputation, limitation in range of movement, strength and/or control (minimal ability to walk over long distances)

2.6.3.2 Disability Profile:

- Paraplegia severe diplegia without limitation in control of upper extremities moderate disorder in trunk balance
- Moderate spasticity in lower extremities (Spasticity grade scale 3)
Double amputation below knee

2.6.4 ARST

Defined as Standing archers or shooting from a chair

2.6.4.1 Practical Profile: lower limbs are functional for ambulation over longer distances

2.6.4.2 They are required to reach minimum handicap in functional evaluation.

Minimum disability of 10 points in one leg or 15 points in two legs or 25 points in the total or a difference in lower limb lengths of 7 cm.

2.6.5 ARST-C

Within ARST archers with severe disabilities of upper extremities may be allocated to a sub-class ARST-C and allowed to compete in facilitated rounds

2.6.5.1 Minimum disability in each arm: 20 points or 40 points in the string??? Strong??? arm.

2.7 EQUIPMENT

2.7.1 Personal equipment must comply with FITA Rules.

2.7.2 Some assistive devices are allowed if authorised by an official IPC Archery Classifier. Classifiers must complete the assistive device form and mark on the classification form the approved equipment.

2.7.2.1 Wheelchair

- A wheelchair can be used with a minimum disability of 50 points in lower limbs and/or trunk.
- A wheelchair of any type may be used, provided it subscribes to the accepted principle and meaning of the word wheelchair.
- No part of the wheelchair may support the bow arm while shooting. The bow may not come into contact with the wheelchair when releasing the arrow.
- For ARW2 archers, no part of the chair back or its vertical support may protrude in front of the half of the trunk.
- No part of the chair may be less than 110 mm. below the armpit while shooting at any distance.
- The wheelchair must not exceed the shooting space on the line, allowed by FITA

2.7.2.2 Chair

- A chair may be used with a minimum disability of 38 points in the lower limbs and/or trunk.

- A chair of any type may be used, provided it subscribes to the accepted principal and meaning of the word chair.
- No part of the chair may support the bow arm while shooting. The bow may not come into contact with the chair when releasing the arrow.
- No part of the chair may be in contact with the trunk of the archer at less than 220 mm. below the armpit while shooting at any distance.
- The legs of the chair frame the area of contact with the ground and the foot of the archer must not exceed the size of 60 cm x 80 cm.

2.7.2.3 Permitted Body support.

- It can be used when the standing balance (static and dynamic) is poor.
- When authorized by an official IPC Archery Classifier a body support or strapping system may be used by individuals with a disability of T-5 or higher
- This protrusion, forward from the front of the main vertical support of the chair back may be no longer than 100 mm, with an inward radius of no less than 230 mm and shall be no less than 110 mm. below the armpit.
- Only ARW1 archers are allowed to use simultaneously protrusion and strapping. They may use any wheelchair and amount of body support/strapping to maintain body stability as long as no support is given to the bow arm while shooting.

2.7.2.4 Release aid

Archers with disabilities in the fingers of both hands are allowed, when authorised by an official IPC Archery Classifier, to use a mechanical release aid.

2.7.2.5 Compound bow

- Archers belonging to class ARW1 with upper limbs disabilities are allowed to use a compound bow but only with the equipment authorised by FITA for the Recurve Bow Division. This means no peep sight and no optic lenses.
- ARW1 archers may compete in the Open Class of Compound Division with full Compound equipment as described in FITA Handbook

2.7.2.6 Bow bandaged

Archers with bow arm disability may use the bow either tied or bandaged to the hand when authorised by an official IPC Archery Classifier.

2.7.2.7 Bow arm splint

Archers with bow arm disability may use an elbow or wrist splint when authorised by an official IPC Archery Classifier.

2.7.2.8 **String arm wrist splint**

Archers with bow arm disability may use a wrist splint when authorised by an official IPC Archery Classifier

2.7.2.9 **Assistant**

ARW1 and ARST-C Archers unable to nock arrows may have a person to load their arrows into the bow. Such a person must not give the archer any form of assistance (especially regarding the spotting of arrows) and are not allowed to use a binocular or scope to adjust the bow sight until the end of the shooting signal. Such a person must not be a disturbance to other archers.

2.8 **USE OF CLASSIFICATION CARDS**

2.8.1 At the end of the Archer's examination, he/she will be provided with a classification card.

2.8.2 The archer must take the classification card with him/her to competitions in

2.8.3 IPC Athlete must be requested by IPC Technical Delegates or IFA Judges (also IFA Assistants) during competitions.

Chapter 3 – Administrative Regulations

3.1 SPORT ASSEMBLY (IPC Archery SA)

The Archery Sport Assembly is the senior Administrative body of Archery inside the IPC

3.1.1 Membership

3.1.2 The Chairperson of the IPC Archery SAEC shall chair the Archery SA and

3.1.3 Each Member Nation only IOSD period of time the archery programme shall

3.1.4 FATA shall have the right to nominate a representative without voting rights.

3.1.5 Members of the IPC Archery EC shall be ex officio members of the SA

3.1.6 With Archery SA shall meet at the time of the Summer Paralympic Games

3.1.7 And at the World Cup and the World Championships at the request of the

3.1.8 Each Member Nation may nominate a representative to the SAEC

3.1.9 Decisions shall be taken by the simple majority of those present

3.1.10 The Archery SAEC shall send the final draft of proposed rule changes to

3.1.11 The Chairperson of the SAEC shall be given to

3.1.12 All IPC members member of organization, Assisting Delegation and

3.1.13 The Archery SAEC shall be the final authority on all matters relating to the

3.1.14 The Athletes Committee, through its Chairperson, has the right to propose

3.1.15 The Classification Committee, through its Chairperson, has the right to

3.1.16 The Archery SAEC shall be the final authority on all matters relating to the

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- 3.2.5 Any vacancy shall be filled by appointment at the next meeting of the IPC Archery SAE, the IPC Archery SAE is to be responsible for the IPC Archery. The period appointed shall serve the balance of the Executive Committee may declare the vacancy of that member.

3.2.7 Meetings

- 3.2.7.1 The IPC Archery SAE shall be responsible for the governing of IPC Archery between Assemblies and shall meet at least once a year, as far as possible at the time of a suitable approved competition.
- 3.2.7.2 Other meetings may be convened at the request of the IPC Executive Committee or by a written request from the majority of members.
- 3.2.7.3 At all meetings the quorum shall be 50% plus one of the voting members.
- 3.2.7.4 Decisions shall be taken by a simple majority of those voting in the present meeting.
- 3.2.7.5 Thirty (30) days notice of meetings shall be given to all the IPC Archery SAE members and to the media.
- 3.2.7.6 The agenda and minutes shall be circulated with the notice of the meeting.
- 3.2.7.7 The secretary of the IPC Archery SAE, together with the Chairperson, shall be responsible for keeping the minutes of all meetings.
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3.2.8 Functions

- The IPC Archery SAE shall:
- Approve yearly, a program of activities along the lines established by the Sport Assembly;
- Approve a yearly budget;
- Consider for approval the report of Chairperson, Treasurer, and of all nominated committees;
- Appoint Technical Delegates proposed by the Technical Committee for Sanctioned Events;
- Deal with FITA for the appointment of Judges and for any other relevant matters;
- Approve yearly the official calendar of events, ranking and record lists;
- Operate as a Board of Justice in the sport of Archery;
- Nominate the needed permanent committees.

3.3 THE CHAIRPERSON

- 3.3.1 The Chairperson is nominated by the Sport Assembly
- 3.3.2 The chairperson represents IPC Archery, presides over the Sport Assembly and Executive Committee meetings and is an "ex officio" member of all permanent committees
- 3.3.3 At every Sport Assembly and Executive Committee meetings the chairperson must present a report on the activities of IPC Archery and a program for the period following up to the next meeting
- 3.3.4 The Chairperson, in the management of IPC Archery, has the authority to take decisions that must be ratified later by the Executive Committee or the Sports Assembly as necessary

3.3.5 The Chairperson may delegate the Vice Chairperson or another member of the Executive Committee to represent IPC Archery at significant events or meetings

3.4 THE VICE CHAIRPERSON

The Vice Chairperson will represent the Chairperson if he is unable to attend a function and he has appointed no other delegate.

3.5 THE SECRETARY

The Secretary shall:

- Prepare the Sport Assembly.
- Prepare IPC Archery SAEC meetings.
- Keep and distribute Assembly and IPC Archery SAEC minutes.
- Keep results, records and ranking lists.
- Distribute relevant information to all Member Nations.
- Keep and update the IPC Archery Web and filing system.
- Prepare the calendar.

3.6 THE TREASURER

The treasurer shall:

- Keep income and expenditure accounts.
- Keep balance sheets.
- Collect approval fees.
- Prepare Financial Reports to be presented at the Assembly and IPC Archery SAEC meetings.
- Prepare the annual budget.

3.7 PERMANENT COMMITTEES

3.7.1 Technical Committee

- The Technical Committee shall deal with all matters concerning competitions, organisations, shooting rules and field equipment.
- It must also organize the training of Technical Delegates and propose their nominations.
- It must co-operate with the Classification Committee on matters concerning special equipment.
- It shall co-operate with the appropriate FITA Committees (including Constitution and Rules, Technical, Target Archery, Field Archery and Judges). The Vice Chairperson is "ex officio" the Chairperson of this Committee.

3.7.2 Classification Committee

- The Classification Committee shall deal with all matters concerning classification, doping tests and medical problems.
- It must co-operate with the Technical Committee on matters concerning special equipment.
- It must update the classification list, organize classification visits during major events, and produce, certify and keep Classification Cards.
- It must also organize the training of Classifiers and propose their nominations.
- It shall co-operate with the IPC Medical Officer, IOSD Science and Medical committee and with the FITA Medical Committee.
- The Classifier elected by the Assembly as a member of the IPC Archery SAEC is "ex officio" the Chairperson of this Committee.

3.7.3 Development Committee

- The Development Committee shall deal with projects for the introduction and development of Archery in new countries.
- It shall organize technical workshops and seminars during major events.
- It shall co-operate with FITA and the IOSD Development Committees.

3.7.4 Athletes Committee

- The Athletes committee shall bring to the attention of the relevant Committees matters, which as athletes, they consider to require urgent attention.
- It shall co-operate with the IPC Athletes Committee.
- The Athletes' representative elected by the Assembly is "ex officio" the Chairperson of this Committee.

3.7.5 Ad-hoc Committee

- When necessary, the IPC Archery SAEC or the Assembly can decide to create and nominate a special committee to deal with specific problems or projects.
- The term of this office could be limited.

3.8 TECHNICAL DELEGATES

- 3.8.1 Every Sanctioned Event must be controlled and supervised by a Technical Delegate (TD)
- 3.8.2 TDs are proposed by the Technical Committee and appointed by IPC Archery SAEC.
- 3.8.3 National Championships and approved events can be controlled by a Technical Delegate who is nominated by the National Organization of Sport for the Disabled and approved by the Technical Committee. This Delegate must be qualified with IPC training.
- 3.8.4 Functions:

- To supervise the competition organisation following the requirements agreed in previous meetings.
- To attend the meetings that will be held before and during the competition.
- To check that the competition venues meet the necessary requirements.
- To check that the competition equipment used during the events is officially authorised.
- To approve the composition of the Committees of Appeal, as well as their presidency.
- To control the entries and have the right to reject them for technical reasons
- When required, to be present at the Referees Appointment Committee.
- When required, to be present at the draws and to approve the competition programme.
- To supervise the results and authorise the World and Paralympic Records set in each event.
- To give advice to the chief referees with reference to any technical matters.

3.9 CLASSIFIERS

See Classification Rules

Chapter 4 – Organizing Regulations

4.1 PARALYMPIC GAMES

- 4.1.1 Organization and Conduct of Paralympic Games will be done under the direct control of IPC, IPC Archery and FITA.
- 4.1.2 Only the Recurve Division may compete.
- 4.1.3 Shooting rules are described in the FITA Handbook.
- 4.1.4 Qualification criteria, rules and special exceptions will be published by IPC Archery for every edition of the Games.

4.2 CHAMPIONSHIPS

4.2.1 World Championships

IPC Archery arranges for the organization of the following World Championships:

- 4.2.1.1 Outdoor Target World Championship: Recurve and Compound Divisions;
- 4.2.1.2 Indoor Target World Championship: Recurve and Compound Divisions;

4.2.2 Regional Championships

4.2.2.1 IPC Archery recognizes the following zones:

- Europe, Mediterranean and Africa
- The Americas
- Asia and Oceania

4.2.2.2 An NPC may belong to only one region. If its territory is situated in more than one region or in a border area, it may choose. If such an NPC chooses to be listed in another region, notice must be mailed to the IPC Archery SAEC at least two (2) years before the Sport Assembly at which this change will be announced and become effective.

4.2.2.3 Regional IPC Committees may arrange for the organization of the Regional Championships in the disciplines of Outdoor and Indoor Target

4.2.3 DATES. These championships will be considered Sanctioned competitions; they will be included in the IPC Archery Calendar and will be published in the IPC Archery Official Handbook every two years in the following List.

- World Championships in odd years;
- Regional Championships in even years.

4.2.4 ALLOCATION OF CHAMPIONSHIPS

4.2.4.1 The organization of the IPC Archery Championships shall be assigned by the IPC Executive Committee (or Regional E.C.) to a nation NPC.

4.2.4.2 Application must be submitted in writing to IPC Secretary General (or

4.2.4.3 Regional E.C.) and the NPC Archery Committee. The entry fees to be set by the

4.2.4.4 Organizers shall be set through (3) months before of the competition.

4.2.4.5 The Organizers shall create a registration form for the Championship with

4.2.4.6 the Organizers Committee, but the NPC shall be directly responsible for all arrangements for the Championship allocated to them as:

- Deciding the amount of entry fees, within the limit established by IPC;
- Providing medals, trophies, special prizes and commemorative gadgets;
- Arranging for food, lodging and necessary local transportation for athletes, escorts and officials;
- Covering the accommodation, food and transportation of judges, classifiers and technical delegates.

4.2.4.7 At least six (6) months before the first day of the competition, the Organizers shall issue invitations to all eligible NPCs and IPC Archery Committee members with detailed information on the cost of entry fees.?????

4.2.4.8 At least three (3) months before the first day of the competition, the Organizers shall send to all eligible NPCs confirmation that the

4.2.5 CHAMPIONSHIP TOURNAMENTS are announced, and preliminary entry forms requesting the number of expected participants and officials for each

4.2.5.1 event. For each event, the Organizers shall provide a list of participants and officials. Information consisting of a single file, including target rental fees, sports meals, etc., with information on costs will also be provided. The number of competitors per class and division and the space available.

4.2.5.1.1 The programmed events shall be:

Recurve Division

- ARW1 Individual Men
- ARW2 Individual Men
- Standing Individual Men
- ARW1 Individual Women *
- ARW2 Individual Women *
- Standing Individual Women
- ARW1 Team Men +
- ARW1 Team Women+
- Open Team Men
- Open Team Women

*These two classes are usually combined, as there are usually insufficient athletes in the ARW1 Individual Women's class for it to be viable.

+These two events usually have insufficient teams entered to take place.

Compound Division

- Open Individual Men
- Open Individual Women
- Open Team Men
- Open Team Women

4.2.5.1.2 *In addition, events for subclasses ARW1-C and ARW2-C could be organized. For these sub-classes Championships shall be decided on a double FITA Standard Round (double Short Metric)*

4.2.5.2 Indoor Target Archery Championships shall be decided on a Qualification Round consisting of the 18m FITA Indoor Round followed by an Indoor Olympic Round. The schedule shall depend on the number of competitors per class and division and the space available.

4.2.5.2.1 The programmed events shall be:

Recurve Division

- ARW1 Individual Men
- ARW1 Individual Women
- ARW2 Individual Men
- Standing Men
- ARW2 Individual Women
- Standing Women
- Open Team Men
- Open Team Women

Compound Division

- Open Individual Men
- Open Individual Women
- Open Team Men
- Open Team Women

4.2.5.2.2 *In addition, events for subclasses ARW1-C and ARW2-C could be organized. For these sub-classes Championships shall be decided on an 18-meter FITA facilitated Round.*

4.2.5.3 A Member Nation may enter up to four (4) competitors in each class and division.

4.3 SANCTIONED COMPETITIONS

4.3.1 NPCs may apply for sanction of competitions in writing to IPC Secretary General (or Regional S.C.) and IPC Archery SAEC including compiled copies of the application form. Sanctioned competitions will be included in the IPC Archery Calendar and will be valid for recognition of records and inclusion in the Ranking List.

- 4.3.2 The request must be sent no later than the 1st January of the year before the Competition will be held to IPC rules.
- 4.3.3 There will be an additional fee of \$50 US assessed to a given competition by IPC Archery.
- 4.3.4 Technical Delegates will be appointed by IPC Archery.
- 4.3.5 The accommodation, food and travel expenses of judges, technical delegates and classifiers (if necessary) must be covered by the
- 4.3.6
- 4.3.7

4.4 APPROVED COMPETITIONS

- 4.4.1 Member Nations may apply for approval of competitions in sending the approval form to the IPC Archery SAEC no later than the 1st July of the year before the Competition will be held. Approved competition will be included in the IPC Archery Calendar and will be valid for recognition of records and inclusion in the Ranking List.
- 4.4.2 Approval fee is \$100 US and it must be paid to IPC through the IPC Archery SAEC.
- 4.4.3 A Technical Delegate will be nominated by the Organizing Nation and approved by the IPC Archery SAEC.
- 4.4.4 Approval by the IPC Archery SAEC is required for the National Delegation of each country to participate in the competition.
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4.5 RESPONSIBILITIES OF ORGANIZING NPC

- 4.5.1 The Organizing Nation must submit within the limits, the relevant form requesting recognition (bidding/assignment, sanction or approval).
- 4.5.2 Invitation with full information must be sent to all (or invited) NPCs and to the IPC Archery SAEC.
- 4.5.3 The Organizing Nation must submit the request for the first time to the IPC Archery SAEC.
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- 4.5.5 The Organizing Nation must submit the request for the first time to the IPC Archery SAEC.
- 4.5.6 Individual events must have at least 6 competitors.
- 4.5.7 Team events must have at least 4 competitors.
- 4.5.8 Combined classes can be arranged if needed

4.6 OFFICIAL RECOGNITION OF TOURNAMENTS

4.6.1 Procedure

- 4.6.1.1 The Paralympic Games are governed and awarded by the IPC. The Archery competition is organized in cooperation and consultation with the IPC Archery SAEC.
- The IPC awards sanctioning to and approves the following types of tournament in consultation with the IPC Archery SAEC.

- World Championships
- Regional Championships
- Regional Games
- Invitational Tournaments

Competition sanctioning is awarded for the following purposes

- To determine World titles (i.e. World Championships);
- To Determine Regional titles (i.e. Regional Championships);
- To determine World Records and Ranking List;
- To designate inclusion of the tournament in the official calendar of major international Archery events;
- To provide qualification opportunities for the Paralympic Games.

4.6.1.2 The organisation of competitions sanctioned and approved by IPC is outlined (in part) in the IPC Handbook Section II and within the IPC bid application guidelines. 1.9.1.3 In order for competitions organised or governed by a National Federation (NF) to obtain official recognition by the IPC Archery SAEC, all international tournaments must conform to the following standards of organisation:

4.6.2 Types of Tournament

4.6.2.1 SANCTIONED COMPETITIONS

4.6.2.1.1 Sanctioned competitions are:

- World Championships
- Regional Championships
- Regional Games
- Invitational Tournaments (International tournaments with more than four (4) countries involved)

4.6.2.1.2 The Paralympic Games are awarded and supervised by the IPC. The IPC Archery SAEC coordinates the Archery competition held during the Paralympic Games

4.6.2.1.3 Sanctioned competitions are published regularly in the International Sports Calendar for the Disabled as published by the IPC

4.6.2.2 APPROVED COMPETITIONS

4.6.2.2.1 Approved Competitions are recognized by the IPC Archery SAEC and are included in the International Sports Calendar for the Disabled as published by the IPC.

- 4.6.2.2.2 These competitions can be used for World records and Ranking according to the relative application, checklist and approval fee.
- 4.6.2.2.3 Every year each country can request of the IPC Archery SAEC official recognition as an Approved Event, with no Approval fee charge, of one (1) Outdoor Target, one (1) Indoor Target and one (1) Field National Championships.

4.6.2.3 FITA (Federation Internationale de Tir a l'Arc) COMPETITIONS

- 4.6.2.3.1 IPC athletes competing in FITA Tournaments, in order to comply with IPC rules, must only use equipment allowed as specified in the Classification Rules Section.
- 4.6.2.3.2 Scores obtained at FITA Competitions complying with FITA Articles 5.3, 5.4 and 6.7 (FITA Star) will also be valid for inclusion on the

4.7 COMPETITION OFFICIALS and CONTROL BODIES

The competitions are controlled by:

4.7.1 Technical delegate

4.7.1.1 Functions:

- To supervise the competition organisation following the requirements agreed in previous meetings.
- To attend the meetings to be held before and during the competition.
- To check that the competition venues meet the requirements.
- To check that the competition equipment used during the events is officially authorised.
- To approve the composition of the Committees of Appeal, as well as their presidency.
- Control the entries and have the right to reject them for technical reasons;
- When required, to be present at the Referees Appointment Committee.
- When required, to be present at the draws and to approve the competition programme.
- To supervise the results and authorise the World and Paralympic Records set in each event.
- To give advice to the chief referees with reference to any technical matters.

4.7.2 Judges

- 4.7.2.1 The competition will be controlled by 3 FITA judges, or more if necessary, of international category (when possible). They must all be familiar with the rules of archery and the special modifications for disabled archers.

The other judges will be of regional or national level.

4.7.3 Appeals Committee

4.7.3.1 The Appeals Committee will be composed of:

- The IPC technical delegate
- The archery manager of the Organising Committee
- A member of the Archery SAEC or, if none is present, a representative of the Organising Committee

4.7.3.2 Its function is to decide appeals.