



Frequently Asked Questions: "Competition Formats" for 2011 and beyond

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Introduction

At the World Archery Congress 2009 in Ulsan and in the subsequent World Archery Executive Board meetings, several important changes for the competition formats were accepted to make our competitions even better. The new Set System, the Compound Round, the official introduction of Mixed Team and the other decisions have one goal: keep our competitions fair and make them even more exciting for the athletes, the fans, the media and the partners of archery! After the 2010 season and based on the feedback received several updates were made.

The below section is meant to explain and illustrate with practical examples the various changes. It cannot be considered as a replacement for the World Archery Constitution and Rules Book, where all these changes have been legally made.

1) What were the main competition changes adopted by the 2009 Congress?

- ∅ Individual athletes will shoot the matches in a new Set System for recurve, mandatory as of 1 April 2010 (refer to questions 2, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11 below)
- ∅ Compound athletes will shoot the new Compound Round, mandatory as of 1 April 2011 (refer to 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 14)
- ∅ Mixed Team is now official in archery competitions (refer to 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10)
- ∅ New target faces (Refer to 15, 16)
- ∅ Shooting time for athletes (Refer to 17)
- ∅ New scorecards (Refer to 18)
- ∅ Revised match play chart for 128 athletes—actually going to 104 athletes (refer to 19)
- ∅ Final ranking for World Archery competitions (refer to 20)
- ∅ Young athletes can shoot in cadets until the year of the 17th birthday and in juniors until the year of the 20th birthday as of 1 January 2010 (refer to 21, 22)
- ∅ Masters will shoot the same distance as cadets (refer to 23)
- ∅ World Archery Field Championships format (refer to 24)

Let's see below some good reasons why these changes were accepted by the World Archery Congress and what it implies for the rules applications to the upcoming archery events!



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2) Why was the Set System created?

In the strategic World Archery Plan 2007-2012, one focus was on "Events". Among several aspects that were identified, World Archery wanted to address the fact that, on a previously 12-arrow match, there were sometimes matches that would look like lost after one end due to a bad shot (some rare times unlucky). The archer who shot the bad arrow would fall too far behind his opponent in the scoring and the public would lose interest.

By breaking down the match with sets of three or six arrows, World Archery still gives the chance to the better archer to beat his opponent with consistence, and also believes that more matches will be contested until the last arrow. That should bring even more excitement to the competition! After the 2010 Season it was clear that this system worked for recurve and that the level of archery is improving as a result.



2b) What is the difference between a set and an end?

A set consists in shooting 3 arrows of which the total value decides who wins the set, while an end consists in shooting 3 or 6 arrows of which the total value will be added to the overall score to determine the winner.

3) Why was the Compound Round created?

As part of the World Archery Plan 2007-2012, in the "Events" area, another focus was to give a greater identity to compound athletes. Some experts were saying: there is as much difference between recurve and compound as in high jump and pole vaulting. However, at World Archery we are hiding the pole, because the competition format is the same for both types of athletes.

The essence of compound is perfection and therefore the 15 arrow match play format with regular and cumulative scoring is the way forward. The hit/miss round that was tested in 2010 was considered not a good way to show the precision of the compound bow. World Archery gives the chance to the compound athletes to show their ultimate accuracy.

4) Why were the Mixed Team competitions accepted officially?

Archery truly promotes gender equity and it is in fact a sport where women can excel as much as men. The latter may only have a small physical advantage under difficult weather conditions such as heavy wind or rain. World Archery believed it had then a perfect opportunity to create mixed teams and it followed a very logical and appreciated development!

For World Archery events, the mixed teams are composed of one woman and one man shooting the same type of bow (recurve or compound) from the same nation. This gives also the opportunity to smaller nations (who could not field three men or three women in a regular team) to play in a team competition.

World Archery first tried a mixed team competition at the World Cup Stage 2007 in Dover (GBR), when some athletes asked to shoot more competitions during this stage. The second exhibition was done at the World Cup Final 2008 in Lausanne (SUI).

Then World Archery rolled out an exhibition calendar for mixed team competitions during the World Cup Stages and Final 2009 and ran also an unofficial mixed team event at the world championships.

The mixed team competitions have been both an archer and a fan success since the beginning and it is only fitting that World Archery decided to officially accept mixed team competitions at the Ulsan Congress in 2009.

World Archery will continue to organise mixed team competitions during the 2010 World Cup and the first mixed team world champions will be declared at the World Championships 2011 in Torino (ITA). Due to the heavy schedule at indoor championships, the mixed team event was at this stage not introduced for indoor competitions.

5) With the Mixed Team category, how many events could have a World Archery competition?

In the outdoor discipline of archery, there are two kinds of bows: the recurve bow and the compound bow. By differentiating the type of competitions, World Archery intends that the fans and the experts will appreciate the differences between these bows.

Archery can be played individually, in teams or in mixed teams. So we have 10 categories:

- Ø Recurve Men Individual
- Ø Recurve Women Individual
- Ø Compound Men Individual

∅ Compound Women Individual

∅ Recurve Men Team (3 men from the same country)

∅ Recurve Women Team (3 women from the same country)

∅ Compound Men Team (3 men from the same country)

∅ Compound Women Team (3 women from the same country)

∅ Recurve Mixed Team (1 male and 1 female from the same country)

∅ Compound Mixed Team (1 male and 1 female from the same country)

6) To what competition will the rule changes apply?

These changes apply to all World Archery registered tournaments as of the official starting date in the World Archery Constitution and Rules Book (1 April 2010, except otherwise specified).

Of course, the organisers can still choose if they want to shoot only a FITA Round or a 70m Round and no matches. The organisers can choose if they do individual or team or mixed team competitions (or all of them).

However, for instance, as of 1 April 2010, the Set System is mandatory for all World Archery registered tournaments that include an Olympic Round (match play). It is also mandatory for all World Ranking Events.

For Para-Archery events up until the 1st January 2013 the competition format will follow the recurve format (including W1 men and Open Compound). The reason was to have a consistent format for all qualifying events for the Paralympic Games and the qualification started in 2010.

7) What format will have the major World Archery competitions in 2011 and the following years (World Cup, World Championships, European Championships, etc.)?

World Archery Executive Board has decided what competition format will be shot in all major events in 2011 and 2012: World Cup, World Championships, Olympic Games, Youth Olympic Games, European Championships, Commonwealth Games, University Championships, Universiades, etc.) All the details for 2012 can be found [here](#).

Please also note that in 2012 there will be only three qualifying stages of the Archery World Cup, as a result of the Olympics taking place in Europe in the summer. All three results will count for the World Cup ranking.



7b) What is the competition format for the World Archery Youth Championships?

Recurve Qualifications

Recurve Junior Men: FITA Round 90m, 70m, 50m and 30m (all ends of 6 arrows at 50m 6 ring target face, at 30m 5 ring target face)

Recurve Junior Women: FITA Round 70m, 60m, 50m and 30m (all ends of 6 arrows at 50m 6 ring target face, at 30m 5 ring target face)

Recurve Cadet Men: FITA Round 70m, 60m, 50m and 30m (all ends of 6 arrows at 50m 6 ring target face, at 30m 5 ring target face)

Recurve Cadet Women: FITA Round 60m, 50m, 40m and 30m (all ends of 6 arrows at 40m 6 ring target face, at 30m 5 ring target face)

Recurve Eliminations

Junior: at 70m

Cadet: at 60m

Individual with set system (best of 5 sets)

Compound

Cadet and Junior: all shooting at 50m at 6 ring target

6-arrow ends for qualifications

3-arrow ends for eliminations and finals

8) To recap, what format will have the World Cup events in 2011?

For Recurve the entire season:

- ∅ (Regular) 70m Round as qualifications for recurve
- ∅ Set System for individual recurve matches with best of 5 sets of 3 arrows
- ∅ (Regular) team recurve matches
- ∅ (Regular) mixed team recurve matches

For Compound the entire season:

- ∅ 50m Round (72 arrows) as qualifications for compound athletes
 - ∅ Compound Round for individual compound matches with 15 arrows per match on a 6-ring target (scores from 5-10)
 - ∅ Compound Round for team compound matches with 24 arrows per match on 2 6-ring target faces (scores from 5-10)
 - ∅ Compound Round for mixed team compound matches with 24 arrows per match on 2 6-ring target faces (scores from 5-10)
- (All Compound Round matches are played with cumulative scoring on a 5-10 scoring target)

For more information related to the World Cup ranking, World Cup eligibility, the type of bows, etc., please refer to the [Frequently Asked Questions on World Cup](#).

9) In more details, how will the changes be applied to the competitions in 2011 and particularly to the Archery World Cup? What will be the competition formats?

Here are some more explanations:

During the entire season, the compound and recurve athletes will shoot different competition formats.

Recurve:


In the Qualification Round there will be a total of 72 arrows shot at 70 metres for recurve. Athletes shoot at a target face that has 10 co-centric rings, scoring from 10 (in the middle around the bull's eye) to 1. Points are earned for each arrow, hence a perfect score is 720 (see question on Targets below).

Compound:

The compound athletes will shoot the entire season 72 arrows at 50 metres only, but at a smaller target face with a scoring zone from 5 to 10 points only.

The athletes are seeded based upon their accumulated points (seeding: No. 1 – most points; No. 2 – second most points; etc.)

Based on the points of each archer, the top 104 individuals, the top 16 teams and the top 16 mixed team from the Qualification Round advance to the Elimination Round (matches). The Elimination Round features the top athletes in a match play tournament format (like tennis) in each of the 10 categories. The seeded athletes/teams (example for individual: 1 v 16, 2 v 8, etc.) will shoot against each other with the match winners moving onto the next round, until a champion is determined. The semifinal winners will shoot for gold and the others will shoot for bronze.

Here is a recapitulative table for the competition formats (you will find this table on one page only [here](#) )

	Recurve	Compound Round
Qualifications	70m Round: - 72 arrows at 70 metres - Target points: 1-10 - 4 minutes to shoot 6 arrows	50m Round: - 72 arrows at 50 metres - Target points: 5-10 - 4 minutes to shoot 6 arrows
Going to eliminations	- Top 104 individuals - Top 16 teams - Top 16 mixed teams	- Top 104 individuals - Top 16 teams - Top 16 mixed teams

	- No. 1 will play No. 16, winners advance to next round, etc.	- No. 1 will play No. 16, winners advance to next round, etc.
1st round of eliminations to semifinal matches	<i>Note for all matches/rounds:</i> - Distance: 70 metres - Target points: 1-10 - Shoot-off may be required to break tied matches	<i>Note for all matches/rounds:</i> - Distance: 50 metres - Target points: 5-10 - Shoot-off may be required to break tied matches
Individuals	- 5 sets of 3 arrows - 2 minutes to shoot 3 arrows - Winner has 6 set points (2 points per set won, 1 point per set tied)	- 5 ends of 3 arrows - 2 minutes to shoot 3 arrows - Winner has the most total points.
Teams (3 athletes)	- Regular 24-arrow match (4 ends of 6 arrows, 2 arrows per athlete) - 2 minutes to shoot 6 arrows - Winner has the most total points (every arrow counts)	- Regular 24-arrow match (4 ends of 6 arrows, 2 arrows per athlete) - 2 minutes to shoot 6 arrows - Winner has the most total points (every arrow counts)
Mixed Teams (2 athletes)	- Regular 16-arrow match (4 ends of 4 arrows, 2 per arrows per athlete) - 80 seconds to shoot 4 arrows - Winner has the most total points	- Regular 16-arrow match (4 ends of 4 arrows, 2 per arrows per athlete) - 80 seconds to shoot 4 arrows - Winner has the most total points
Bronze/Gold Matches		
Individuals	- 5 sets of 3 arrows - Alternate shooting, 20 seconds per arrow - Winner has 6 set points	- 5 ends of 3 arrows - Alternate shooting, 20 seconds per arrow - Winner has the most total points
Teams (3 athletes)	- Regular 24-arrow match - Alternate shooting in 3-arrow segment (1 per athlete), in total 2 minutes to shoot 6 arrows. - Winner has the most total points	- Regular 24-arrow match - Alternate shooting in 3-arrow segment (1 per athlete), in total 2 minutes to shoot 6 arrows. - Winner has the most total points
Mixed Teams (2 athletes)	Same as 1st round - Alternate shooting may take place	- Same as 1st round - Alternate shooting may take place

Please read below for more explanations about these competition formats and how the matches are played.

10) What is the format of the Elimination Rounds for individuals?

Recurve:

- ∅ They shoot sets (previously ends) for a maximum of five (5) sets of three (3) arrows at a regular target from the 1/48 round through the finals.
- ∅ Moreover, in the medal matches, the athletes alternate shooting one arrow at a time with a 20-second time limit between arrows.
- ∅ The target is set to the distance of 70 metres for recurve.

For more details on the Set system please see below.

Compound:

- ∅ The compound ones will also shoot matches but with a fixed number of arrows and no sets, called the Compound Round (see below).
- ∅ They will shoot at a 50 metres 6-ring target (scoring 5-10).

11) What is the Set System?

Here are the principles of the Set System for the matches when shooting 70m:

- ∅ The match is a maximum 5 sets of 3 arrows per set.
- ∅ The match winner is the first to achieve 6 points.
- ∅ If the match is tied, a one-arrow shoot-off will be used to break the tie. In the tie-break, the archer whose arrow is closer to the centre (if needed it will be measured) will get 1 extra set point and win.
- ∅ For eliminations, quarterfinals and semifinals, the athletes shoot their arrows simultaneously and have 2 minutes to shoot 3 arrows.
- ∅ For medal matches, the athletes will shoot each arrow alternately and will have 20 seconds per arrow. In alternate shooting, the athletes trailing in the score shoot first.
- ∅ (To note, all the individual matches at the Olympic Games London 2012 and test event will be played out of 5 sets of 3 arrows with alternate shooting (like World Cup medal matches).

So let's see some examples of matches

Match X:

First set:

Athlete A shoots: 10, 10, 9 = 29

Athlete B shoots: 10, 9, 9 = 28

Athlete A leads 2 set points to 0.

Second set:

Athlete A shoots: 10, 10, 10 = 30

Athlete B shoots: 10, 9, 8 = 27

Athlete A leads 4-0.

Third set:

Athlete A shoots: 10, 9, 9 = 28

Athlete B shoots: 10, 9, 8 = 27

Athlete A leads 6-0 and wins! The match is over, because archer B cannot catch up with the score.

Match W:

First set:

Athlete C shoots: 10, 10, 9 = 29

Athlete D shoots: 10, 9, 10 = 29

Both athlete C and D earn 1 set point. The score is tied at 1-1.

Second set:

Athlete C shoots: 10, 10, 10 = 30

Athlete D shoots: 10, 5, 7 = 22

Athlete C earns the two points. He leads 3-1.

Third set:

Athlete C shoots: 10, 10, 8, = 28

Athlete D shoots: 10, 10, 10 = 30

Athlete D earns the two points. He ties the match at 3-3.

Fourth set:

Athlete C shoots: 10, 9, 8, = 27

Athlete D shoots: 10, 10, 10 = 30

Athlete D takes the lead 5-3!

Fifth set:

Athlete C shoots: 10, 10, 9, = 29

Athlete D shoots: 10, 10, 8 = 28

Athlete C earns the two points and ties the match at 5-5! One arrow shoot-off is required to break the tie (to earn the extra set point).

Shoot-off:

Athlete C shoots: 10

Athlete D shoots: 9

Athlete C wins!

On the match chart results, the score will be shown as:

Athlete A: 6 (29, 30, 28)

Athlete B: 0 (28, 27, 27)

Athlete C: 5 (29, **30**, 28, 27, **29**; T10)

Athlete D: 6 (29, 22, **30, 30, 28; **T9**)**

For more examples of medal matches, please tune on our [live scoring reports](#).

12) What about the (regular) Team and Mixed Team Round?

Team:

In the team and mixed team rounds shot, the matches will be as follows:

- ∅ Each team will shoot a total of 4 ends of 6 arrows, with the three team members shooting 2 arrows each per end.
- ∅ Each team will have 2 minutes to complete each end.
- ∅ The total of all 24 arrows will be added to determine a total score (max score 240).
- ∅ In medal matches, the teams will alternate shooting. Each team member shoots 2 arrows per end, shooting only 1 arrow at a time. Teams alternate shooting after every 3 arrows.
- ∅ In alternate shooting, after every end the trailing team will shoot first.

Mixed Team:

- ∅ The competition has the same principles as for teams, however there are only two athletes competing—one woman and one man per country.
- ∅ They shoot a total of 4 ends, with each team member shooting 2 arrows per end for a total of 16 arrows (max score 160).
- ∅ Each team has 80 seconds to shoot one end.
- ∅ The same principle applies as for the team event for alternating and order of shooting.

To note, the mixed teams are ranked based on the results from the top ranked man and the top ranked woman from the same Member Association. However, the Member Association can choose the man and the woman (among the whole team) who will shoot the matches up to 1 hour before the start of match play. The same applies also for team competitions where more than 3 archers from the same country can compete as of 1 April 2011. However only medals will be awarded to the team members that shot the match play and no substitution is allowed during the match play.

In case of ties:

- ∅ Each archer from each team will shoot one arrow.
- ∅ The total for that end (3 arrows for team and 2 arrows for mixed team) will be calculated and the winner is the team with the highest point score. In the event that the score is tied, the team with the closest arrow to the centre will win the match. If still tied we look at the 2nd arrow and if necessary the 3rd arrow. If still tied a 2nd shoot-off will be shot.
- ∅ The alternation will be between the two teams after each arrow is shot by a team member. This is new and aimed at keeping the excitement going longer.

13) Now we understood the Set System (above). What is the Compound Round?

The Qualification Round for the Compound Round is shot on a 6-ring target (10-5 ring points) in the triangular set up at 50m. The athletes shoot 72 arrows with regular scoring.

The Compound Round for individual matches has:

- ∅ For all matches, the 6-ring targets set up one on the left side of the buttress and one on the right side of the buttress set at 50m.
- ∅ 5 ends of 3 arrows from the first Elimination Round (1/48 for World Cup) through the medal matches.
- ∅ The winner will be the archer with the highest total score of which the maximum is 150 points.
- ∅ If the match is tied at the end, there will be a shoot-off. One arrow will be shot for score. If the athletes are tied, the arrow closest to centre will win.
- ∅ Until the semifinals, the athletes shoot simultaneously and have 2 minutes to shoot 3 arrows.
- ∅ For medal matches, the athletes will shoot each arrow alternately and will have 20 seconds per arrow. In alternate shooting, the athlete trailing in the set score shoots first.

So let's see some other examples of matches leading into the medal matches

Match V:

First end:

Athlete A shoots: 10, 10, 10 = 30

Athlete B shoots: 10, 9, 9 = 28

Athlete A leads 30 points to 28.

Second end:

Athlete A shoots: 10, 10, 10 = 30

Athlete B shoots: 10, 9, 10 = 29

Athlete A leads 60-57.

Third end:

Athlete A shoots: 10, 10, 10 = 30

Athlete B shoots: 10, 9, 10 = 29

Athlete A leads 90-86

Fourth end

Athlete A shoots 9, 9, 9 = 27

Athlete B shoots 10, 10, 10 = 30

Athlete A leads 117- 116

Fifth end

Athlete A shoots 10,10,9 = 29

Athlete B shoots 10, 10, 10 = 30

Archers are tied at 146

Archer A shoots 10, archers B shoots a 10 closer to the centre. Archer B wins!

14) What about the Compound Round for Team and Mixed Team?

Team:

There are 2 faces placed horizontally across the middle of the buttress set at 50m. Only 3 (2 for mixed team) arrow are permitted on each face. Each team has 2 minutes to shoot the 6 arrows.

∅ In 1/8 round, then quarter and semifinals and medal matches, the top 16 teams (then the winning 8, 4, 2) of 3 athletes shoot matches of 4 ends of 6 arrows (2 arrows per athlete per end). The teams shoot simultaneously until the semifinals.

∅ In the bronze and gold medal matches the teams shoot alternately in 1-arrow segments.

∅ The arrows are recorded as the same way as for the individual. The team with the most total point wins.

∅ In case of tie, a one arrow per team member shoot-off will be shot (1-arrow alternation in finals). Highest score wins. If tied the team with the arrow closest to the centre will win.

Mixed Team:

∅ In 1/8 Elimination Round and the quarter and semifinals, the top 16 teams (then 8 and 4 winning teams) may be engaged in matches. They shoot simultaneously a series of matches, each match consisting of 4 ends of 4 arrows (2 per athlete per end) in 80 seconds per end.

∅ The arrows are recorded as the same way as for the individual. The team with the most total score wins.


∅ Medal matches may be shot as above or using the alternate shooting format. The decision will be announced at the Team Captains' meeting.

To note, the mixed teams are ranked based on the results from the top ranked man and the top ranked woman from the same Member Association. However, the Member Association can choose the man and the woman (among the whole team) who will shoot the matches. If this is different to the top man and top woman, the names of the Mixed Team must be given in writing to the World Archery ED or chair of Judges at least one hour before the start of the match play.

In case of ties:

∅ If the match is tied at the end, there will be a shoot-off. Each athlete (3 for teams, 2 for mixed teams) will shoot one arrow for score (if during the finals, one arrow alternating). If the teams are still tied, the team with the closest arrow to the centre will win the match.

15) What are the targets used for World Cup competitions in 2010?

For the 70m Round in qualifications, the regular matches and the Set-System matches at 70 metres, athletes will shoot at [a standard 122cm FITA target face](#) .

The target face has 10 concentric scoring rings. Each ring is 6.1cm in width. Hence, the inside scoring ring (the 10 ring) is 12.2cm in diameter. The outside scoring ring is worth 1 point and the inside ring is worth 10 points.

There are five colours on the target—with the following points per ring:


Colour	Inner Ring	Outer Ring
Yellow	10 points	9 points
Red	8 points	7 points
Blue	6 points	5 points
Black	4 points	3 points
White	2 points	1 point

Should an arrow land on the line dividing two rings, it scores the higher score.

(Note: within the 10 ring is a smaller, lighter circle called the X10 (it does not give any extra point). The very centre of the target is called the bull's eye. The target is positioned so that its centre is 130cm above ground give or take 5cm. A wind flag is positioned above the centre of each butt. This flag is essential to athletes because wind affects their aim. A windsock is also visible on the Field of Play.

For the 50m Round, as well as for the Compound Round (both individuals and teams), the compound athletes will shoot at a target face with 6 rings (score 5-10), however it is only 42cm wide.

16) What are the targets with 5-10 scoring zone? In what competitions will they be used?

These [5-10 scoring zone targets](#)  (42cm wide) can be used for regular FITA rounds and at 50m and 30m when shooting 6 arrow ends as well as for the Compound Round. This requires less time shooting a FITA Round. Note that only 3 such targets can be used if a standard size round target butt is used but 4 such targets can be used if a square target butt is used which will fit 4 targets.

The regular 6-10 scoring zone target can also be used at 30m.


17) Has World Archery established new scorecard for these new types of matches?

Yes we have! Here they are:

Ø [Scorecard Set Play - 5 sets x 3 arrows](#) 

Ø [Scorecard Team – 24 arrows \(regular\) as 4 ends of 6 arrows](#) 

Ø [Scorecard Mixed Team – 16 arrows \(regular\) as 4 ends of 4 arrows](#) 

Ø [Scorecard Individual Eliminations for Compound Round - 5 ends x 3 arrows](#)  this scorecard will be posted as soon as finalised

18) What is the new revised match play chart for 128 athletes (actually going to 104 athletes)?

In the Ulsan Congress, World Archery decided to give an advantage to those who do well in the World Championships qualifications (or any tournament that would have used to require a match play chart of 128 athletes).

World Archery decided to give "two byes" (exempting them from the first two rounds) to the top 8 athletes from the qualifications. Hence the match play chart will be now only composed of the top 104 athletes from the qualifications.

19) Shooting time for athletes?

After successfully testing it during the World Cup Final since 2006, World Archery has decided that:

Ø The time for alternate shooting in individual matches is reduced to 20 seconds per archer for each arrow (instead of 30 seconds).

Ø The time to get to the line is reduced to 10 seconds for all rounds.

The following times have not changed:

Ø 4 minutes to shoot 6 arrows during a qualification end or during a set of 6 arrows for non-alternate shooting

Ø 2 minutes to shoot 3 arrows during a qualification end or during a set of 3 arrows for non-alternate shooting

Ø 2 minutes for 6 arrows per team in alternate and non-alternate shooting. Each team member shoots 2 arrows per end. In alternate shooting, they shoot only 1 arrow at a time.

Ø 80 seconds for 4 arrows per team in alternate and non-alternate shooting- Each team member shoots 2 arrows per end. In alternate shooting, they shoot only 1 arrow at a time.

20) Where will be the athletes ranked at the end?

Here are the new principles:

Ø Only the top 8 individuals (or teams) participating in matches will be individually ranked.

Ø Athletes (or teams) will shoot gold medal match and bronze medal match to define who is ranked 1-4.

Ø Athletes (or teams) eliminated in the quarterfinal will be ranked by number of set points won for recurve, and if tied (or for compound) by the number of

cumulative points shot, in the last match. If still tied they will be declared tied.

∅ Athletes (or teams) eliminated during the 1/8 round will be ranked 9th, during the 1/16 round will be ranked 17th, etc. according to the stage of the elimination.

∅ Athletes (or team) not qualified for the matches will be ranked individually according to their qualifications scores.

21) What are the changes in age group for young athletes?

The World Archery Congress decided that as of 1 January 2012 the following changes are valid for all competitions shot under World Archery Rules:

∅ An athlete may participate in a cadet class in tournaments when the competition takes place up to and in the year of his 17th birthday. For (the whole calendar year of) 2012 this means anyone born on 1 January 1995 or later.

∅ An athlete may participate in a junior class in tournaments when the competition takes place up to and in the year of his 20th birthday. For 2012 this means anyone born on 1 January 1992 up until 31 December 1994 (or later if a cadet wishes to compete as junior).

This is also valid for all world records as of 1 January 2012. This means the current world records can now be broken by older athletes (for example, 17-year old cadets will be able to break the old cadet records that were set under the previous age-group restriction of 16 years).

22) What are the shooting distances for Masters Athletes?

An archer can shoot in the masters categories, when the competition takes place as of the year of his 50th birthday. If so, masters athletes will shoot as of 1 April 2010, the same distances as the cadets. This means that they will shoot:

∅ For Masters Men - 70m, 60m, 50m and 30m

∅ For Masters Women – 60m, 50m, 40m and 30m

∅ They will also shoot the 60m Round

∅ For regular matches, they will shoot at 60 metres

∅ For compound the distance will be 50m for all age groups

They can also apply for the same performance awards as the cadets. If masters wish to shoot the longer distances, they have to shoot as seniors and not as masters.

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