

Archery GB Membership Fees from 1 October 2017 until 1 October 2018.

The fees payable to ArcheryGB (G.N.A.S.) will be decided at the National A.G.M. to be held in Birmingham, however, these are the fees payable to Northern Counties Archery Society from members for the affiliation year 2017-18. These were agreed at the N.C.A.S. A.G.M. on 18th March 2017.

Senior Archer (25+)	£2-00	per person
Senior Archer (18 to 24)	£2-00	per person
Junior Archer (under 18)	£0-20	per person
Archers with Disabilities (Junior & Senior)	£0-20	per person (NOTE 1)
Juniors in School Club & Scout Group	£5-00	Club Block Fee (NOTE 2)
Archers in University club	£20-00	Club Block Fee

NOTE 1 – Constitution clause 6 (MEMBERSHIP) has been modified to remove ‘Disability Groups’ from the list of valid groups recognised by N.C.A.S. The alternative reduced fee per member balances the loss of the group fee.

NOTE 2 – For those young archers in ‘Juniors in School Club & Scout Group’ situations may find it cheaper to affiliate as a club and pay the 20pence individual fee if membership number below 25.

For 2016-17 figures please read details below.

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Following decisions made by the members at Archery GB AGM, held at Bisham Abbey on 16 April 2016, the structure of some clubs will change.

Membership Category:	Full Year	Pro-rata: Apr – Sept
Direct Member - Senior (aged 25 and over)	£50.00	N/A
Club Member - Senior (aged 25 and over)	£42.00	£21.00
Seniors members aged 18 to 24 (inc) – all categories	£10.50	£5.25
Juniors (under 18s) – all categories	£10.50	£5.25
Archers with Disabilities – all categories	£10.50	£5.25
University Clubs	£140.00	N/A

Club Amalgamation

As can be seen from the table above, from 1 October 2016, Archery GB will no longer have en-bloc clubs for juniors or archers with disabilities or the associated en-bloc fees. This provides clubs with an opportunity to include all the members; senior, junior and those with disabilities, in a single club.

However, if you would prefer your clubs can remain as two or three separate clubs. Some clubs may only wish to merge the senior and junior club and leave the club for archers with disabilities as a standa-

lone club or merge the senior and disabilities club and leave the junior club as a stand-a-lone club. All these options are acceptable.

If your clubs amalgamate, you may wish to consider revising your constitutions and banking arrangements.

The fee for juniors, archers with disabilities and also, under 25s has been set at £10.50, 25% of the senior (25 and over) club member fee. **To be eligible for the reduced fees, under 25s and under 18s must provide Archery GB (via the club secretary) with their Dates of Birth. The date for reduced fee eligibility is, under 25/under 18 on 1 October 2016.**

For archers with disabilities to qualify for the reduced fees we will use a trust based system, where individuals self-declare disability. Club officials are not expected to seek proof of disability.

The way in which University Clubs affiliate remains unchanged.

Also, at the AGM, the members voted to simplify the pro-rata fees from a quarterly to a half yearly structure. The pro-rata fee will be set at 50% of the applicable full fee (see fee table above).

Eligibility for a pro-rata fee is as follows:

- New members joining on or after 1 April 2017
- Past members (after an absence of 18 months or more) re-joining on or after 1 April 2017
- Exceptional cases authorised by Archery GB (e.g. significant injury)

County & Regional Membership Fees from 1 October 2016

AT THE SAME TIME you also need to pay the County and Region fees for your members.

The GNAS/AGB paperwork usually asks you to confirm that you have affiliated to your appropriate County and Region and this means 'paid' these fees not just ticked a box and ignored the paying process.

Please do not forget that, at the same time as completing this annual return, your County and Regional fees also need to be paid. No changes were made to the Regional fees at the NCAS AGM in March this year so technically their fees stay the same.

However please be aware that if you did not opt to keep your Junior club following the changes that GNAS/Archery GB made at their AGM then you must pay an individual NCAS fee for each of your juniors. The REGIONAL en bloc fee only applies if you opted to keep your junior club separate from your senior club.

REGIONAL FEES PAYABLE:

Senior Archer	£2.00 per person
Junior Archer	£1.00 per person (Junior member of senior club)
Junior Club	£5.00 per club en-bloc fee (must be <u>officially</u> registered GNAS/ AGB Junior Club)
School Club	£5.00 per club en-bloc fee

Disabled Club	£5.00 per club en-bloc fee
University Club	£20.00 per club en-bloc fee

As to the where to send your combined County and N.C.A.S. payment - this will be the address for your County Treasurer. You should calculate your County fees (please consult your County Secretary or Treasurer for these if you are in doubt) and your NCAS fees, add the two together and pay the total amount to your County association. Your County treasurer will then take out their fees and send the remainder on to the Regional Treasurer.

[Notes on the Amalgamation Junior and/or Disabled Clubs with Senior Clubs](#)

1. If you are ever likely to want to apply for any grants specifically for junior or disabled members then it would probably be an advantage to keep your junior or disabled clubs as separate entities rather than just having these archers listed as a small section of your senior club. If they have a club in their own right it is just possible that this may be more relevant to any grant you might be applying for.
2. For Northern Counties Archery Society (NCAS) purposes the more clubs a county has the more representatives they are allowed at the NCAS meetings. The Constitution currently says that for every 25 clubs (or part thereof) a County is allowed one rep.
3. Currently NCAS charge only an en bloc fee for a properly constituted Junior Club or Disabled Club. At the 2016 NCAS AGM there were no plans to do away with this arrangement for the coming year so it might be advantageous to keep these clubs for the ease and economy of paying the current NCAS fees. There is no doubt that the NCAS en bloc fee arrangement will be discussed by the NCAS Committee over the next months, with a view to putting forward proposals for the NCAS AGM in March 2017 to either retain or change the en bloc fee policy.
4. As a club secretary myself I intend to keep our junior club
 - a.) because it means we won't need to make a change to the Club's constitution and:
 - b.) I happen to think it's easier to have the junior affiliation paperwork separate from the seniors although that might just be my personal choice.