



Northern Counties Archery Society.

Judges Information Update January 2014

WA Interpretations

Book 3, Article 11.1

USA Archery has requested an interpretation on whether the limb vibration dampening device shown below is permitted in the Recurve Division.

Response from the Technical Committee:

It is the unanimous decision of the Technical Committee that the limb vibration dampening device in question is legal for the Recurve Division.

Additionally, should the question arise, the Technical Committee believes the device does not provide any additional aid in offering bowstring alignment. This decision follows the interpretation of the Technical Committee interpretation dated April 23, 2012 concerning the location of a stabilizer on the upper inside of the riser.

The only stipulation is that the bowstring of the bow may not touch the dampening device or devices when the bow is at its static resting brace height. That is, when the bow is strung, but not being shot, the bowstring may not be in contact with the dampening device/s at brace height.

World Archery Technical Committee, 27 November 2013

Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 11 December, 2013



Judges Information Update

Judges Required

Bronte Archers are holding 2 outdoor tournaments during 2014 and require a number of judges for each.

The tournament details are as follows.

4th & 5th May Double York/Hereford - National Record Status

12th & 13th July Double FITA (1440) - World Record Status

The CoJ for the York/Hereford can be a Regional judge as it is only NRS, but a National Judge will be required for CoJ at the FITA as this is WRS.

I have also had a request from North Cheshire Bowmen for a couple of judges to officiate at their 2nd longbow shoot for Sunday 29th June 2014.

The tournament is a one way Western longbow shoot with Agincourt volley and shooting of a boar at the end.

It is none record status so a County or Candidate Judge could be CoJ.

If you are available and would like to be considered for any of the above tournaments please contact me via email ASAP.

Below is an extract from the AGB Rules of shooting which lists the minimum standard the CoJ has to be for any particular tournament.

MINIMUM STANDARD FOR JUDGE IN CHARGE

1. In order to preserve the integrity of tournaments and the performances achieved, the minimum standard for the judge in charge of a tournament shall normally be as follows:

<u>Tournament Type</u>	<u>Minimum Standard of Judge</u>
National Tournaments	National Judge
World Record/FITA Award Status Tournaments	National Judge
Regional Tournaments	Regional Judge
Other UK Record Status Tournaments	Regional Judge
Non-Record Status County Tournaments	County Judge
Non-Record Status Club Tournaments	County Judge or Field Captain
Club Target Days	Field Captain

National Judge Re-Accreditation exam

Towards the end of December the 2nd Re-accreditation exam for National judge was issued by the Judge Committee. All National judges had to complete and return the paper by the 19th January or before the end of January if they were given dispensation by the committee due to work or personal commitments. As with the previous re-accreditation 4 years ago failure to return the paper will mean an automatic downgrade to Regional status, but if anyone fails they will have a chance to take a resit around May. The results of the exam should be known within the next week or so, and general feedback on the exam will be given at the upcoming Judges conference at Lilleshall on the weekend of the 15th & 16th February.

Judge Retirement

At the end of January I received an email from Richard Breese stating his intention to retire as a judge, effective immediately. This came as a complete shock and was just about the last thing I was expecting as the start of 2014. Richard held the status of full International judge and over the years has judged at many of the National tournaments, Continental tournaments, International tournaments and both the Olympic and Paralympic games in 2012. He was also very well-liked and respected by his fellow judges and archers, and his presence on the shooting line will be greatly missed by all.



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Annual returns

By now you should have all sent your J15 annual returns for 2013 to your respective JLO's. If you haven't can you please do so ASAP.

County JLO's can you all please use the J19 form to summarise the J15 returns of your Counties judges and then forward on to me by the end of February at the latest.