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THE  
INTERNATIONAL FIELD ARCHERY ASSOCIATION  
  
THE CONSTITUTION  
  
and  
  
THE BOOK OF RULES  
  
incorporating  
  
THE BY-LAWS  
  
THE WORLD FIELD ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIP (WFAC) RULES  
  
THE WORLD BOWHUNTER CHAMPIONSHIPS (WBHC) RULES  
  
THE WORLD INDOOR ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIPS (WIAC) RULES  
  
POLICIES OF THE IFAA  
  
RULINGS BY THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE  
  
ANNEXURE 1

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## PREAMBLE

This preamble shall never be amended or destroyed in the history of this Association.

Within the framework of this Association shall be preserved forever the theory and belief that all humans are born equal irrespective of race, creed, colour or nationality and that it is the full intent of our God for all mankind to reside together in peace and unison with complete freedom and dignity for man.

It is the intent of this body to preserve and advance these principles by joining together the nations and continents of the world through the preservation by usage of mankind's most ancient weapon, the bow and arrows, in games designed to challenge individual skills while creating a better understanding.

Further, this body recognises the sovereignty of each nation to administer such programmes as it deems necessary and desirable for the benefit of archery within the nation and the world.

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**THE CONSTITUTION**

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## CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this Association shall be the "INTERNATIONAL FIELD ARCHERY ASSOCIATION", indicated by the abbreviation IFAA and further in this Constitution referred to as "the Association".

The Association shall be a non-profit orientated sports body with its head office in Lugano, Switzerland, defined as such, pursuant to articles 60 and following of the Swiss Civil Code.

### ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

- A. To provide a basic plan by which one national field archery association from each nation of the world may become a member of the Association.
- B. To promote and develop field archery and any other archery sports and events the Association may adopt, throughout the world.
- C. To develop and promote competition between international and national associations.
- D. To formulate rules governing international competition.
- E. To arrange for the organisation of World Championships and other International events such as Continental or Cross Border championship tournaments as the Association may decide from time to time.
- F. To formulate programmes that will give recognition to archers for proficiency with the bow and arrow in all sanctioned competitions.
- G. To adopt a set of standards which will differentiate between the amateur status and professional status of archers for competition as conducted by and/or sanctioned by the Association.

### ARTICLE III– POWERS OF THE IFAA

In furtherance of the purpose, the Association may:

- A. Properly administer the assets, fees and other financial contribution of the members according to this Constitution.
- B. Purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire and otherwise acquire property, real and personal, and any rights and privileges which may be requisite to the purposes of, or capable of being conveniently used in connection with any of the purposes of the Association.
- C. Enter into any arrangements with any national government or authority or organisation that are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the purpose of the Association. Obtain from such government or authority any rights, privileges and concessions which the Association may

think it desirable to obtain and to carry out, exercise and comply with any such arrangements, rights, privileges and concessions.

- D. Invest and manage the assets of the Association with diligence, in such manner as shall be determined by the biannually approved budget , while guaranteeing sufficient liquidity for conducting the functions of the Association
- E. In furtherance of the purposes of the Association sell, improve, manage, develop, exchange, lease, dispose of, turn to account or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property and rights of the Association.
- F. Take any gift of property whether subject to any special trust or not for any of the purposes of the Association.
- G. Take such action by personal or written appeals, public meetings or otherwise, as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Association by donations, annual subscriptions, sanction fees or other sources of funds
- H. Print and publish any newsletters, periodicals, books, leaflets or video, audio tapes and/or other written or electronic media the Association may think desirable for the promotion of its purpose.
- I. Do any other such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the purpose of the Association and in the exercise of the powers of the Association.

#### **ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP**

The Association recognises the following classes of members:

- A. Full members  
Full members shall be national field archery associations or their counterpart, one from each nation.  
A Full member may propose a change to the IFAA Constitution or the Book of Rules and exercise a vote in the affairs of the Association.
- B. Associate members
  - 1. Associate members are applicants for full membership whose candidacy has been approved by the Executive Council and are waiting to be approved by the World Council.  
The Associate member shall not propose changes to the IFAA Constitution or the Book of Rules and shall not vote in the affairs of the Association.
  - 2. The Archery Association Europe is an Associate member of the Association.
- C. Corporate members  
Corporate members shall be any firm, business or company that supports the purposes of the Association.

The Corporate member shall not propose changes to the IFAA Constitution or the Book of Rules and may not vote in the affairs of the Association.

D. Honorary members

The World Council may from time to time grant honorary membership to individuals, organisations or companies who have served the Association beyond the call of duty. Such members have no say in the affairs of the Association; neither shall they attend the General Assembly. Members of the Executive Council, while in Office, may not be granted such membership.

## **ARTICLE V - AFFILIATION**

A. As member:

1. Any National Field Archery Association wishing to join the Association as a member shall submit a written application for membership addressed to the secretary and pay the application fee. The application fee is equal to the annual membership fee.
2. Applications for membership shall be dealt with by the Executive Council who may accept or decline any application. A reason for denial of the application must be given.
3. In the event that an application for membership is denied, the application fee shall be refunded.
4. The national association whose membership request has been denied may appeal that decision in writing to the World Council at its first available meeting. Such appeal shall be submitted within 60 days of advice of such denial and shall submit full details as to the basis for the appeal.
5. When application for membership has been accepted by the Executive Council, that association shall enjoy Associate membership status pending approval at the World Council's next meeting.
6. Members have the right to object to such applicant becoming a member. The objection must be in writing and addressed to the Secretary. Such objections shall be dealt with at the World Council's next meeting.
7. If an objection to full membership is upheld, membership shall be suspended in accordance with the procedures under Article VI of the Constitution.

B. Corporate membership:

1. Any firm, business or company wishing to join the Association as a Corporate member shall submit a written application to the Secretary and pay the application fee. The application fee is equal to the annual membership fee.
2. Applications for Corporate membership shall be dealt with by the Executive Council who may decline any application. A reason for denial of the application must be given. No appeal to the World Council is allowed.

3. Corporate membership shall be for a minimum of two years unless the member is suspended in terms of Article VI of the Constitution.
4. In the event that an application for membership is denied the application fee shall be refunded.

C. Membership fees

1. Membership fees are paid annually. They are effective from the first day of January and shall be paid before the last day of February of the same year.
2. The annual membership fees shall be:
  - a. Each Associated and/or (Full) Member : 100 Euro
  - b. Each Corporate member: Subject to contract negotiation

D. Withdrawal from membership

1. A member who wishes to withdraw from membership must notify the Secretary in writing. Loss of membership becomes valid at the end of the month the notification is received.  
Membership fees shall not be refunded.

**ARTICLE VI - LOSS OF MEMBERSHIP OR SUSPENSION.**

Membership may be lost if the member:

- A. Does not pay membership fees and other dues within the deadlines prescribed in this Constitution.
- B. Does not abide by or enforce standards to assure amateur status of the individual archer for competitions conducted and/or sanctioned by the Association.

And in the case of full members and associate members:

- C. Does not abide by or enforce the rules, regulations and policies of the Association when conducting tournaments either under the auspices of the Association or sanctioned by the Association.
- D. Does not provide a system of classification recognised by the Association.
- E. Does not provide a Representative to serve on the World Council.

**ARTICLE VII –  
PROCEDURE OF SUSPENSION, EXPULSION AND REINSTATEMENT**

- A. Upon presentation of evidence of cause for action, the Secretary shall present specific charges against the Member.
- B. The Member shall have 60 days to correct the deficiency and/or prepare a defence.

- C. At the end of 60 days the Executive Council shall decide to either suspend or expel, or reinstate the member.
- D. A member may appeal the decision taken before the Appeals Board within thirty days of notification of the decision.  
Such appeal, in writing and submitted to the Secretary of the Association, may be made on the following grounds:
  - 1. The verdict arrived at is not substantiated by the evidence submitted and the member is innocent or
  - 2. The decision of the Executive is disproportionate to the severity of the offence committed.

The Appeals Board shall be convened by the President not later than thirty days after the appeal has been received and shall consist of 5 people.

Four members of the Appeals Board shall be drawn from the Association's full members. The Executive Council shall nominate two full members to provide one person each to sit on the Appeals Board, as shall the appellant member. The appellant member shall be excluded from sitting on the Appeals Board.

The fifth member, who shall be the Chairman of the Appeals Board, shall be elected from the Executive Council by the four nominated members by mutual consent.

It will be the duty of the Appeals Board to review the decision of the Executive and they may uphold, set aside or amend the decision originally reached not later than thirty days after the Board was convened. The decision of the Appeals Board shall be binding on all parties and members of the Association.

If the decision is not accepted, the appellant may appeal with the World Council who shall decide at the next World Council meeting and where no further appeal shall lie.

### **ARTICLE VIII - BODIES OF THE ASSOCIATION**

- A. The World Council.
- B. The Executive Council
- C. Standing Committees
  - 1. Auditing Committee  
Convened by the World Council under Article XIV of the Constitution
  - 2. Technical Committee  
Convened by the President under Article 2 of the Policy section
  - 3. Training and Coaching Committee  
Convened by the President under Article 16 of the Policy section
- D. Special Committees
  - 1. Appeals Board  
Convened under Article VII D of the Constitution

### **ARTICLE IX - VOTING RIGHTS AND PROCEDURES**

- A. Full members of the Association and the elected Officers of the Executive Council have the right to vote on a resolution or motion or exercise an abstention and not cast a vote For

or Against a resolution or motion. Full members and elected Officers may submit to the World Council on the proper forms, matters on which the World Council is to vote. The member making the proposal must send it to the Secretary at least 120 days before the World Council.

- B. The Executive Council will have 30 days to study the proposal and prepare their comment.
- C. The Secretary will sent copies of all proposals and related comments by the Executive Council to all the members at least 90 days before the World Council Meeting.
- D. Members may review their proposals and return the amended proposals on the proper forms to the Secretary at least 60 days before the World Council meeting. The World Council shall vote on the original proposal if no amendment is received within the time limit.
- E. All properly submitted proposals and the agenda of the World Council meeting shall be posted by the Secretary to the full members and associate members 60 days prior to the World Council meeting.
- F. All decisions of the World Council shall be binding for all members and the bodies of the Association.
- G. A vote which is not cast shall be considered as a vote neither for nor against the motion or proposal under consideration.
- H. Vote by proxy.  
A full member who will be absent from the World Council meeting may authorise another full member to vote on their behalf under the following provisions:
1. The representative of the member who is authorised to vote on behalf of another member shall hand to the Secretary, before the start of the meeting, a copy of the votes together with the necessary accreditation by the authorising member. All documents shall be signed by at least two executive officers of the authorising member and these signatures must be verified by a Commissioner of Oath.
  2. The above representative may not change the vote unless explicitly authorised that he/she may do so.
  3. The name of the person who will cast the vote shall be mentioned in the letter of accreditation and such authorisation may not be transferred to another party.
  4. The vote shall be either “in favour” or “against” the motion. No proxy can be authorised for a vote “not cast” (abstention).
  5. In the event that a proposal is amended in the meeting and no authorisation to change the vote has been given, proxy votes will be recorded as follows:
    - a. A proxy vote “in favour” of the original motion, will be “against” the amended motion.
    - b. A proxy vote “against” the original motion, will be “against” the amended motion.
  6. Votes that are cast by proxy are binding and may not be disputed or revoked by the authorising member.



## ARTICLE X – WORLD COUNCIL

- A. The World Council of the Association shall be the supreme policy and decision making body of the Association and shall exercise all powers of the Association or shall delegate any or all such powers to the Executive Council as necessary or desirable.
- B. The World Council shall consist of the Elected Officers of the Association and one accredited representative of each member. The World Council in session shall be known as the General Assembly
- C. The General Assembly shall conduct the affairs of the Association on even numbered years at the World Field Archery Championships, when they will be in session over the two days immediately preceding the opening ceremony of the Championships.
- D. Each Member shall be accorded one vote. The vote of the member shall be cast by their accredited representative who shall be selected in any manner prescribed by that Member and may hold tenure on the World Council to the complete discretion of the Member. Should the Representative be unable to attend the meeting, the Member may be represented by an appointed delegate, who may only attend on presentation of a Letter of Accreditation to the Secretary before the start of the meeting.
- E. Each Elected Officer of the Executive Council shall be accorded one vote. Nominated Officers will serve the World Council without a vote.
- F. The Representative of an Associated member will serve on the World Council without the right to speak and without a vote.
- G. Corporate members shall have no representation on the World Council.
- H. Full members shall elect the following Executive Officers: the President; the Vice-President; the Secretary and the Treasurer and terminate office of any Executive Officer on just cause shown.
- I. The rules contained in the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the meetings of Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution, By Laws or Policies of the Association and any other special rules of order the World Council may adopt.
- J. An extra-ordinary General Assembly shall be called if one fifth (1/5) of the full members shall request such a meeting. The request shall be set up in writing and directed to the Secretary.
- K. Duties of the World Council:
  - 1. Vote on all proposed changes to the IFAA Book of Rules, which includes the Constitution, the By-Laws, Championship Rules, Procedures and Policies.
  - 2. Execute the financial control on all assets, property and financial proceedings of the Executive Council and or other Committees or persons entrusted in the financial

affairs of the Association and to elect two representatives from the full members in good standing to be the Auditing Committee.

3. On acceptance of the audit by the Auditing Committee exonerate the members of the Executive Council if verification of the Association's accounts and books met with accepted accounting standards with all income, expenditure and management of assets being in accordance with Association policy and by-laws.
4. The Full members of the World Council shall approve by voting an operating budget as developed by the Treasurer and the President as presented at the World Council meeting. A tied vote shall be considered as a No-vote, in which case the budget is subjected to revision until it is acceptable to the World Council.
5. Elect Officers in accordance with provisions of this Constitution and terminate office of any elected Officer on just cause shown.
6. Establish annually fees, dues and other sources of revenue required to defray operating expenses.
7. Establish all programmes, policies and procedures to be followed by the Association.
8. Formulate, establish and adopt all the purposes of the Association under Article II and Article III of the Constitution.
9. Fill any vacancy in any elective office for the Association for the non-expired term of the office
10. Ratify decisions and interpretations by the Executive Council, the Appeals Board, the Technical Committee or any other special committee that from time to time may be appointed.

#### **ARTICLE XI - EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

A. The Executive Council shall comprise of the elective positions of:

The President

The Vice-President

The Secretary

The Treasurer

The Executive Council may be served by other appointed positions as may be created from time to time, to assist the elected Officers in the administration of the Association

B. Powers and duties of the Executive Council:

1. Members of the Executive Council shall perform in their duty with diligence and to the best interest of the Association and do so solely for the benefit of the functioning of the Association and never for any personal benefit, advancement or gain, and solely in terms of the mandate from the Executive Council.

2. Shall hold all authority while the World Council is not sitting and shall conduct , administer and manage the Association in keeping with the approved budget and the decisions of the World Council, the Constitution, the By-laws and the Policies of the Association and in that order.
3. Shall have the authority to incur debts on behalf of the Association and to expend funds thereto, in accordance with the budget as approved by the World Council. The Executive Council shall not exceed the annual budget, as approved by the World Council, by more than 5 000 Euro.
4. Expenditure by the individual elected members of the Executive Council shall be subject to the following authorisation:
- Expenditure up to 500 Euro per transaction: Authorisation required by the Treasurer only.
  - Expenditure over 500 Euro per transaction but not exceeding 2500 Euro: Authorisation by the President and the Treasurer.
  - Expenditure over 2500 Euro per transaction but not exceeding 10 000 Euro: Authorisation by the President and two other elected members of the Executive Council.
  - For expenditure exceeding 10000 Euro specific authorisations by the World Council will be required. Such authorisations shall be required in addition to the budget approval. Such authorisation shall be based on a simple majority decision by the Full members that voted.
5. Shall have the authority to interpret the meaning of these articles in the Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Policies and any matter relating to the Association on which these articles are silent.
6. Appoint standing committees to carry out functions of the Association. Power of such Committees shall be defined in respective By Laws.
7. Shall prepare written reports of their activities every six months and submit copies thereof to each member of the Association.
8. Shall fill vacancies in the Executive Council in terms of Article 8 in the Policy section.

C. Powers and Duties of the Executive Officers

1. President

- Shall preside at all meetings of the World Council, the Executive Council or any other duly constituted body.
- Initiate and develop activities of the World Council or any other duly constituted body.
- Shall conduct the affairs of the Association in accordance with the programmes, policies and budgets established by the World Council.

- d. Shall represent the Association in the execution of the “Powers of the IFAA” (Refer to Article III) and shall be the first signatory of all legal documents.
- e. Has the authority to overrule a proposal by the members of the Executive Council in matters concerning the manner in which the affairs of the Association are conducted. Such authority to overrule shall not apply to the majority decision by the members of the Executive Council where it concerns a proposal by the President.
- f. At his/her discretion shall appoint special committees to carry out functions of the Association.
- g. At his/her discretion shall call in periodical meetings for the purpose of the execution of all powers and duties given.

## 2. Vice-President

- a. Shall perform the duties of the President if the President is unable to act.
- b. Shall be responsible for the implementation and conduct of all tournaments and events sponsored by the Association.

## 3. Secretary

- a. Shall maintain all the official records of the Association.
- b. Assure the proper publication of all official publications, reports and notices as well as promotional material.
- c. Shall assist the President in the execution of the “Powers of the IFAA” and shall be the second signatory of all legal documents.
- d. Shall administer the Association in the execution of the “Powers of the IFAA”.
- e. In the event this office is temporary combined with the office of the Treasurer, shall be responsible for such fiscal duties as outlined for the Treasurer and shall render such reports as required by the constitution and/or requested by the World Council or President.

## 4. Treasurer

- a. Shall, along with the President, develop a two year budget for the Association, to be submitted at the World Council Meeting for approval.
- b. Shall supervise the fiscal and financial matters of the Association in accordance with the budget.

- c. Shall render such reports as required by the constitution and/or requested by the World Council or President.
- d. Shall render certified copies of the Associations cash books and bank statements to the members of the Auditing Committee. Such cash books shall be compiled for 31 May and 31 December of each year and shall reach the members of the Auditing Committee not later than 21 days after those dates.
- e. Shall open such local currency bank account(s) as may be authorised by the Executive Council for the efficient daily operations of the Association and shall operate the bank account(s) solely for the benefit of the functioning of the IFAA and never for any personal benefit, advancement or gain, and solely in terms of the mandate from the Executive Council.

#### D. Election

1. The term of office for the President and the Treasure shall run concurrent as shall the term of office for the Vice-President and the Secretary. The two elections shall be split; the election of the Vice-President and Secretary shall be held two years after the election of the President and the Treasurer.
2. On the first day of August of each election year the World Council shall act as a nominating committee. Each Full member may file the name of a candidate for each office with the Secretary on or before the first day of September. All candidates will have been contacted beforehand and shall have agreed to accept the office if elected.
3. On or before the first day of October, the Secretary will post to the members the names of all nominees, together with a brief history of each nominee's qualification as well as proof of valid registration with a national association with Full member status. Any nominee shall be privileged to withdraw his/her name from the ballot on or before the first day of November.
4. On the first day of November the Secretary shall post an official ballot to each Full member. The ballot shall be returned to the Secretary no later then the first day of December.  
In the case of two candidates the winning candidate for each office shall be the candidate receiving the largest number of valid votes.  
Where there are three or more candidates, members will cast their votes in order of preference. Should no candidate achieve an overall majority of first preference votes then the second preference votes of the last placed candidate will be distributed to the remaining candidates, and so on until a single candidate achieves an overall majority. Should there remain a tie at the end of this voting procedure then the Executive Council–Elect acting as a body shall have a single casting vote
5. Write-in candidates shall not be considered.
6. A nominee shall be a person in good standing with membership of a Full member Association.

E. Term of office.

1. The term of office for all office bearers shall be four years concurrent with the fiscal year.
2. The officers may hold office for more than two consecutive terms.

**ARTICLE XII - FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December.

**ARTICLE XIII - SOURCE OF FUNDS**

The funds of the Association shall be derived from:

1. Joining fees
2. Membership fees
3. Tournament sanction fees
4. Tournament “Goodwill” deposits
5. Interest on capital assets
6. Sale of artefacts and memorabilia
7. Donations
8. Any other actions taken by the Association under Article III.

**ARTICLE XIV – AUDITING COMMITTEE**

The function of the Auditing Committee shall be to assist the World Council in the financial control of the Association. In the execution of this function the duties of the members of the

Auditing Committee shall be:

1. To receive copies of the cash books and bank statements from the Treasurer twice a year.
2. Prepare an account balance within three weeks after receipt of the copies of the cash book and bank statements and prepare an account balance sheet.
3. Compare the account balance sheets with the budget that was approved at the last World Council meeting and obtain justification in case expenditure exceeds the allowable over-expenditure.
4. Submit the account balance sheets and related substantiating documents to the full members and the President of the Association.

**ARTICLE XV - MEMBER'S AND OFFICER'S LIABILITY**

A. Member's liability.

1. The Association is liable for debts to third parties solely with its own assets

2. Full members shall not hold any personal liability. Liability for each member is limited to outstanding membership fees (if any), tournament fees (if any) or other outstanding costs that may be decided by the World Council.
3. Liability for each associate member and each corporate member is limited to outstanding membership fees.

B. Officer's liability

1. Officer's liability shall be limited to losses caused to the assets and property of the association by crime negligence or malicious acts and financial losses caused to the association by slander or gossip.
2. Recovery shall be limited to proven loss of assets.

**ARTICLE XVI - OFFICIAL LANGUAGE**

- A. The official language of the Association shall be English.
- B. All instructional items at World Tournaments shall be in the official language.
- C. The instructions may be duplicated in alternate languages provided the information is a true translation.
- D. The Constitution that is registered in Lugano, Switzerland, is a true translation of the English version.
- E. Copies of the IFAA Book of Rules will be considered "for information only" if they are translated into a language other than English.
- F. The Association will be guided by the "Oxford English Dictionary".

**ARTICLE XVII - DISSOLUTION**

- A. The Association shall be dissolved:
  1. If the membership is less than five full members over more than two consecutive years.
  2. If a resolution to that effect is carried by a vote of three-fourths (3/4) majority of those full members eligible to vote at a meeting convened for that purpose.
- B. The property and other assets of the Association remaining after payment of all expenses and other liabilities shall be distributed equally amongst the full members of the Association at the time of dissolution.

## **ARTICLE XVIII - AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

- A. Amendments to the Articles of the Association, the By-Laws and Policies require a two-thirds vote of the full members attending a World Council meeting.
- B. All alterations and amendments shall be effective on the first day of January of the following year unless the World Council decides that adoption must be immediate to assure the successful operation of the Association.

## **ARTICLE XIX- SALVATORY CLAUSE**

Whenever this Constitution or Article(s) thereof contradict the laws of Switzerland, such Article (s) shall be rewritten in wording that complies with the applicable regulation(s) of Swiss Law.

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This Constitution, without any amendments or corrections, has been approved by the IFAA World Council convened in Australia on 11 June 2006 and verified by the IFAA Executive Council and will be enforced with immediate effect.



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## BY-LAWS

### ARTICLE I - THE WORLD CONTINENTAL REGIONS OF THE IFAA

The World Continental Regions of the IFAA shall be:

Africa  
Australasia  
Europe  
North America  
South America

### ARTICLE II - TOURNAMENTS, PRIZES AND TROPHIES

#### A. World and Regional Tournaments

##### 1. World Championships

- a. Only Full members may bid to host a tournament which is sanctioned by the Association.
- b. The time and place shall be determined by a simple majority vote of the World Council. In the case of three or more bids, unless there is a simple majority winner, the bid with the lowest vote count will be set aside and a new vote taken on the remaining bids until a majority is achieved. The World Council shall establish any and all conditions for the conduct of the tournament. The World tournaments shall include the IFAA World Field Archery Championships (WFAC), the IFAA World Indoor Championships (WIAC) and the IFAA World Bowhunter Championships (WBHC). The venue for each of the world tournaments shall rotate progressively through the IFAA regions.
- c. Where a region fails to nominate for its allotted WFAC, WIAC or WBHC, bids will be accepted from other regions. When a bid is accepted out of the established normal rotation, the next following tournament of the same kind will be offered to the next region in order.  
This will be the region that would normally have been next in rotation before the bid is taken out of sequence.
- d. A member wishing to host a World Championship will pay a deposit to show good will. On acceptance of a nomination, or within 60 days there from, the sum of 750 Euro will be deposited with the Treasurer of the IFAA. This deposit will be deducted from the IFAA sanction fees in accordance with Article IX B of the By-Laws.  
If after the first year, the accepted nominee withdraws the nomination, the sum of 250 Euro shall be forfeited. After the second year, the sum of 500 Euro shall be forfeited. After the third year, the sum of 750 Euro shall be forfeited.  
Such sums as forfeited shall be passed on to the member who accepts the staging of the Championship.  
The above forfeit table applies where nominations are accepted on a four year notice period. Where a lesser notice period is given a pro rata forfeit table shall apply.

## 2. Regional Championships

- a. The time and place shall be at the sole discretion of the Members within that region who shall also establish the conditions for the conduct of the tournament, provided that only official IFAA rounds shall be shot.

## B. Rotation

WFAC		WBHC		WIAC	
Region	Year	Region	Year	Region	Year
Africa	2008	Europe	2007	Europe	2007
Europe	2010	South America	2009	South America	2009
South America	2012	North America	2011	North America	2011
North America	2014	Australasia	2013	Australasia	2013
Australasia	2016	Africa	2015	Africa	2015
Africa	2018	Europe	2017	Europe	2017

## C. Bidding

Only IFAA members whose membership has been ratified by the IFAA World Council may bid to host IFAA sanctioned tournaments.

Bidding by an IFAA member to host a world – or regional tournament will be in accordance with the IFAA By-Laws.

Any member bidding for such tournament must assure the IFAA World Council (or, the IFAA Vice-President if the bidding is done at a time other than a designated IFAA World Council Meeting) that:

1. If the event is to be held simultaneous with another event such as a National Field Archery event, no deviations from IFAA rules will be allowed. OR, see (2) below.
2. If (1.) above is not attested to the tournament is to be held as a stand alone event and will strictly follow all IFAA Rules.
3. The event will be sovereign over other associated events.

## D. Other tournaments

1. The World Council may conduct and/or sanction tournaments for the archers of one member as well as archers of two or more members. The World Council shall establish all conditions for the conduct and/or sanction.
2. The Vice-President shall have the authority to determine if all conditions for sanction by the IFAA have been or will be complied with.

E. National team

1. Be current members of their country's Association.
2. a. To have resided in that country for a period of 30 days in the previous twelve months  
or  
b. Be a national of that country by birth or naturalisation
3. Not to have shot as a member of another IFAA affiliated country's team in the same twelve month period.

F. Trophies and prizes

The Secretary shall be custodian of all prizes and trophies of the IFAA and shall keep a record of them, including the names of the donors, the conditions of competition governing the awards, and the names and scores of those who win them. The responsibility for the recovery or replacement of lost trophies lies with the winners Association and a similar trophy to the one lost must be provided.

**ARTICLE III - DIVISIONS OF COMPETITION**

A. All tournaments shall provide for all styles of shooting that are recognised by the IFAA.

B. System of awards

National level – shall be in accordance with the system adopted by the National Association.

Special IFAA sponsored or sanctioned tournaments – shall be in accordance with the system adopted by the IFAA World Council.

At the World Bowhunter Championships, the World Field Archery Championships and the World Indoor Archery Championships, gold, silver and bronze medals shall be awarded in each division competing.

In the event that there are less than five archers competing against each other in a division, the winner in that style must shoot a minimum score to be given the title of "World Champion" and to receive the IFAA Champion patch.

This minimum score shall be 97% of the average winning score in that style in the WIAC, 95% in the WFAC and 92% in the WBHC, as calculated over the last three similar IFAA sanctioned events.

In the event that the winner does not score the minimum score thus calculated he/she will be awarded the gold medal as "event winner" but will not be announced as the "World Champion" and will not receive the "Champion Patch".

Class awards in the B and C class shall be awarded for the World Field Archery Championships and will be determined by the number of competitors in each class.

1/1 2/4 3/7 4/12 5/20<sup>+</sup>

There will be no class awards in the A class.

There shall be no class awards for the World Bowhunter Championships and the World Indoor Archery Championships.

- C. Rules governing amateur competition shall be those recognised by the IFAA World Council.
- D. Rules governing professional competition shall be those recognised by the IFAA World Council.
- E. The IFAA adopts the I.O.C. Doping policy. The operation and implementation of such policy shall rest with the IFAA World Council.
- F. World records may be obtained at IFAA World Championships or IFAA sanctioned Regional Championships. The IFAA will recognise world record scores shot in Field Archery and Indoor Archery in sanctioned World and Regional tournaments by archers with membership of an IFAA member in good standing only.  
The IFAA will post, at all its World and Regional tournaments, the highest scores obtained in each style and division.  
The IFAA Secretary will maintain the current scores list and will establish time limits and other criteria for recognition of new record scores.

#### **ARTICLE IV - GENERAL RULES FOR FIELD ARCHERY GAMES**

##### A. Terms

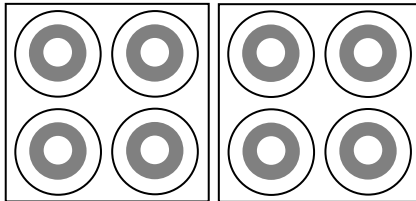
- Unit - A 14 target course including all official shots.
- Round - Shooting two such units or twice round one unit.
- Marker - Shooting position.
- Face - Target face.
- Butt - Any object against which a face is placed.
- Target - This term in connection with the marker number, e.g. "4th target".
- Spot - Aiming centre.
- Walk up - A target at which shooting positions are at different distances and at which the longest distance is shot first and the other distances in sequence, walking up to the butt.
- Fan - A target at which there are 4 shooting positions, all at equal distance from the butt.
- Straight - A target at which there is a single shooting position from which all arrows are shot.
- Stop - Warning call to other archers.

- Stabiliser - Any device attached to or incorporated in the bow that in the opinion of the IFAA Technical Committee will assist in improving the stability of the bow.
- Sight - Any device attached to or incorporated in the bow or attached to the archer's body, other than normal reading glasses, markings or blemishes on the bow limbs and/or bow riser, other than caused by normal wear and tear, that in the opinion of the IFAA Technical Committee may assist the archer in aiming the bow.

## B. Targets

1. Faces shall not be placed over other larger faces, nor shall there be any artificial marks on the butt or in the foreground that could be used as points of aim.
2. All butts must be positioned square to the centre of the shooting lane.
3. In all tournaments using official IFAA rounds, a minimum of 8 faces must be used on all butts requiring 20 cm faces. Faces shall be arranged as follows:-  
Two square blocks of four faces each (see diagram).

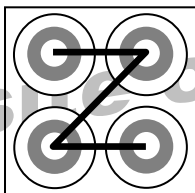
A minimum of two faces must be used where 35 cm faces are specified, these faces shall be placed side by side on a horizontal level.



## C. Shooting positions

1. Each target shall have an indicator board at the shooting position, each board shall be visible on approach to the first shooting position, this board shall carry the information as defined in the Tournament Rules of each event.
2. The distance of each shot shall be clearly shown on each marker. At least one marker per shooting position is mandatory. More markers may be used as preferred by the host member.
3. Where equal distance markers are used, the minimum distance between any two adjacent markers shall be 3 ft, and the maximum distance between the extreme markers shall be 15 ft.
4. 20 cm faces shall be shot in sequence:-

Top left, top right, bottom left, bottom right (see diagram).



5. 35 cm faces shall be shot all four arrows at a single face. Arrows shot from the left hand side shall be shot at the left hand face and vice versa, except on fan shots where the two arrows from the left hand markers shall be shot at the left hand face, and the arrows from the right hand markers shall be shot at the right hand face.
6. 50 cm faces shall be shot all 4 arrows at a single face, rule C5 will apply if multiple faces are used.
7. 65 cm faces shall be shot all 4 arrows at a single face, rule C5 will apply if multiple faces are used.

#### D. Equipment

1. Any kind of bow, having two flexible limbs, except a crossbow or bow incorporating a mechanical drawing device.
2. The archer shall support both the mass weight and the holding weight of the bow without any assistance from any external aid, other than those defined in the relevant styles.
3. Arrow speed shall not exceed 300 foot per second (fps) (91.5 m/s).
4. The archer will be responsible to use and maintain his/her equipment in compliance with the warranty regulations of the manufacturer of each specific type of equipment he/she uses.

#### E. Shooting styles

1. Barebow - Recurve and Compound (B.B)
  - a. Bow, arrows, strings and accessories shall be free from sights, marks, blemishes or laminations which could be used for aiming.
  - b. An adjustable arrow rest may be used to control the space between the arrow and the face of the bow window.
  - c. The use of stabilisers shall be permitted.
  - d. One permanent nocking point only is permitted which may be marked by one or two nock locators.



- e. No mechanical device will be permitted other than one non adjustable draw check and/or level mounted on the bow, neither of which may extend above the arrow.
  - f. All arrows used shall be identical in length, weight, diameter, fletching and nocks, without regard to colour, with allowance for wear and tear.
2. Freestyle limited - Recurve & Compound (F.S.)
- a. Any type of sight is permitted.
  - b. Release aids are not permitted.
3. Freestyle Unlimited (FU)
- a. Any type of bow, sight, release aid recognised by the IFAA World Council is permitted.
4. Bowhunter - Recurve & Compound (B.H.)
- a. Bows, arrows, string and accessories shall be free from sight marks, blemishes and/or laminations which could be used for aiming. A levelling device is not permitted.
  - b. No device of any type that may be used for sighting may be attached to the archer's equipment. No clicker will be permitted.
  - c. One permanent nocking point only, is allowed on the string. Nocking point may be marked by one or two nock locators.
  - d. One consistent anchor point only is permitted.
  - e. An archer shall touch the arrow when nocked with the index finger against the nock. Finger position may not be changed during competition. In cases of physical deformity or handicap special dispensation shall be made.
  - f. All arrows used shall be identical in length, weight, diameter, fletchings and nocks, without regard for colour, with allowance for wear and tear.
  - g. Brush buttons in their proper places at the recurve tip of the bow, string silencers no closer than twelve inch above or below the nocking point and bow quiver installed on the opposite side of the sight window with no part of the quiver visible in the bow window is permitted. One straight stabiliser, coupling device included, if used, not exceeding twelve inch as measured from the back of the bow may be used. No forked stabiliser or any counter balance will be legal. The plunger (where the stabiliser is screwed in) is part of the stabiliser.
  - h. Bow weight shall not be adjusted during any one round.

5. Bowhunter Unlimited (B.U.)

- a. Any type of bow and release aid recognised by the IFAA World Council is permitted. A sight with a maximum of 5 fixed reference points that must not be moved during a round will be allowed.
- b. Pin sights are to be of straight stock from point of anchor to sighting points with only one sighting reference possible from each pin or reference point. Hooded pins or scope sights are not permitted.
- c. Release aids are permitted.
- d. A kisser button or string peep sight will be permitted but not both. No form of magnifying device may be incorporated in, or attached to, the peep sight.
- e. Pin Guards/brush guards may be used provided that the distance between the bottom of the top guard and the top pin must be greater than the distance between the top pin and the next highest pin. The same clearance as for the top sight pin applies also to the bottom pin and the bottom guard.
- f. All other rules for the Bowhunter style will apply.

6. Bowhunter Limited - (B.L.)

- a. Same rules apply as for Bowhunter Unlimited except that the release aids are not permitted.

7. Longbow - (L.B.)

- a. A one piece straight ended bow of any material, which when strung displays one continued unidirectional curve, which is measured as follows:  
When the strung bow is placed with the bowstring in a vertical position, the angle as measured between the tangent of any point on the limb and an imaginary horizontal line must always decrease as this point is moved further away from the bow grip.
- b. The tip reinforcing may not exceed 20mm in height, measured from the surface of the back of the bow limb and may not exceed 50mm in length, measured from the centre of the string groove towards the bow grip.
- c. The bow may contain a window and an arrow shelf. The side of the window shall be slanted over the full length of the window and rounded off at the point where the window intersects with the top bow limb. The window cut may not exceed the centre of the bow.
- d. The belly, bow grip, the window and the arrow shelf shall be free of any marks or blemishes that may be used as sighting aids.

- e. Any additions to the bow for the purpose of stabilisation, levelling, draw-weight reduction, sighting and/or draw checking are not permitted
  - f. Only one nocking point shall be allowed on the string, which may be marked by either one or two nocking point locators. If resting nocks are used -such as ball nocks -only one locator may be used.  
String silencers no closer than 30 cm above or below the nocking point are allowed.
  - g. Arrows shall be of wood, fletched with natural feather, and must be of the same length, fletch and pile, without regard for colour. The arrow must be free of any marks or blemishes that can be used as sighting aids. Nocks may be of any material and any weight of pile may be used. Ring markings will be no further than 30mm from the front of the fletch towards the arrow point.
  - h. The bow must be shot with the "Mediterranean" loose. In cases of physical deformity or handicap special dispensation shall be made.
  - i. Entries that do not comply with the above rules shall be classified in the recurve bowhunter style.
8. Historical Bow - (HB)
- a. The recognition of the classic bow (also called historical or primitive bow) shall be based on the accepted design and usage during the period preceding the year 1900.
  - b. There shall be no distinction between the different configurations of bow designs or of materials used.
  - c. Only the adult division shall be recognised and there shall be no class grades.
  - d. The bow shall be either a self wood or composite bow.
  - e. The inclusion of a form of arrow rest or shelf as well as a sight window cut-in shall be permitted, provided such meet the classic configuration of the bow which has established historical precedence.
  - f. The bow shall be constructed of wood or materials that were used during the period of the bow's historical usage. Modern materials such as carbon, glass fibre and epoxy may not be used. The use of historic glues such as bone glue and hot tree resin is not permitted and only modern glues and adhesives shall be used for the riser and limbs!
  - g. The standard bowstring material shall be polyester. Historical (such as flax or sinew) and/or modern bowstring materials (such as Kevlar, etc) may not be used.
  - h. Arrow shafts shall be made of wood and shall be fletched with natural feathers which are attached in the historical manner (no clear glue or superglue, etc). Modern arrow points or piles as well as modern nocks shall be permitted. Nocks

that are cut into the shaft are only permitted when these are strengthened with appropriate materials.

- i. Accessories such as woven nocking point indicators and thumb rings shall be permitted, provided that such accessory was used during the historic use of the bow.
- j. The onus shall rest with the archer to ensure that all the equipment that is used for the tournament is historically correct. The shooter shall show documented proof of the correctness of the equipment if so asked by the technical controllers at the tournament.

## F. Divisions of Competition

### 1. Professional Adults Only - Professional Status

Anyone who claims to be a Professional, or who registers as a Professional at any shoot, or who competes for a Professional cash prize or Professional award at a tournament.

Two styles of competition shall be recognised by the IFAA:

Unlimited - No restriction. Men and Women will compete in separate divisions.

Limited - No release aids.

A Professional may retire from the Professional Division after no less than one year as a Professional shooter. After retiring, this archer may not compete for Championship awards for one full year. Notice of retiring will be posted with the IFAA Secretary, who will notify each member through its IFAA World Council Representative. The action of retiring from the Professional Division shall be afforded once only during the archer's competition life.

### 2. Amateur - Adults, Veterans, Juniors and Cubs.

Every archer registered as a member of an IFAA member association will be recognised as an Amateur until such time as they become Professionals under the IFAA rules.

Adult Men and Women :

Barebow recurve and compound	BB
Freestyle limited recurve and compound	FS
Freestyle unlimited	FU
Bowhunter recurve and compound	BH
Bowhunter unlimited	BU
Bowhunter limited	BL
Longbow	LB
Historical Bow	HB

### Veteran Men and Women:

Those archers who are 55 years of age on or before the first day of a Tournament will be given the choice to participate in the Veteran or Adult division (not both). The decision to participate in the Veteran division is not binding on subsequent Tournaments. The choice is always optional. Proof of age will be compulsory. There will be no classes in the Veteran Division and shooting styles are as for Adult Men and Women above.

### Junior, boys and girls (13 - 16 years of age) :

Barebow recurve and compound	BB
Freestyle limited recurve and compound	FS
Freestyle unlimited	FU
Bowhunter recurve and compound	BH
Bowhunter unlimited	BU
Bowhunter limited	BL
Longbow	LB

### Cubs, boys and girls (under 13 years of age):

Barebow recurve and compound	BB
Freestyle limited recurve and compound	FS

### 3. Style and Division nomenclature

A full description of individual recognised Styles and Divisions is shown in the following chart:

	Adult		Veteran		Junior		Cub	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
Barebow-Recurve	AFBB R)	AMBB)(R)	VFBB(R)	VMBB(R)	JFBB(R)	JMBB(R)	CFBB(R)	CMBB(R)
Barebow-Compound	AFBB(C)	AMBB(C)	VFBB(C)	VMBB(C)	JFBB(C)	JMBB(C)	CFBB(C)	CMBB(C)
Freestyle Limited Recurve	AFFS(C)	AMFS(C)	VFFS(C)	VMFS(C)	JFFS(C)	JMFS(C)	CFFS(C)	CMFS C)
Freestyle Limited Comp	AFFS(R)	AMFS(R)	VFFS(R)	VMFS(R)	JFFS(R)	JMFS(R)	CFFS(R)	CMFS R)
Freestyle Unlimited	AFFU	AMFU	VFFU	VMFU	JFFU	JMFU		
Bowhunter-Recurve	AFBH(R)	AMBH(R)	VFBH(R)	VMBH(R)	JFBH(R)	JMBH(R)		
Bowhunter-Compound	AFBH(C)	AMBH(C)	VFBH(C)	VMB(C)	JFBH(C)	JMBH(C)		
Bowhunter Unlimited	AFBU	AMBU	VFBU	VMBU	JFBU	JMBU		
Bowhunter Limited	AFBL	AMBL	VFBL	VMBL	JFBL	JMBL		
Longbow	AFLB	AMLB	VFLB	VMLB	JFLB	JMLB		
Historical Bow	AFHB	AMHB						
Professional Unlimited	PFFU	PMFU						
Professional Limited	PFFS	PMFS						

## G. Tournament Officials

1. Tournament officials such as Shoot Director, Range Inspector, Range Captain, Protest Committee, Technical Control Officials etc., will be appointed in accordance with the IFAA Policies.
2. A Technical Control shall be appointed by the tournament organisers before the tournament. Such Technical Control shall consist of at least two members, who shall be archers with sound knowledge of archery equipment. Appointment of these Technical Control officers shall be subject to the Vice-President's approval.
3. At every tournament a Field Captain shall be appointed by the tournament organisers / Tournament Director and it shall be his duty to: -
  - a. Make up the groups.
  - b. Appoint a Target Captain and two scorers for each group.
  - c. Appoint Range Captains to supervise his duties on the individual ranges.
  - d. Designate the targets from which each group shall start.
  - e. Have the option in any tournament to set a time limit, either by target or round, when such a tournament must be completed.
  - f. Assure that each butt has sufficient target faces to replace "shot-out" faces that no longer allow for decisive scoring.
4. The duty of a Target Captain shall be to order the shooting in the group and to settle all local questions. His decision on arrow values shall be final except on his own arrow values when the decision shall be made by the first scorer. He is also to decide whether or not a face shall be changed prior to shooting.
5. The scorers shall keep an accurate account of scores at each target, maintain a running total and compare these at each target.

## H. Tournament Rules

1. All competitors must present their equipment to the Technical Control Officials for equipment check at the designated time and place at the time of registration. It is the responsibility of the archer to maintain his/her equipment within the rules. Failure to do so may result in a protest by another archer which may result in disqualification.
2. Archers shall shoot in groups of not less than three and not more than six. Normally the preferred number is four.
3. Juniors shall shoot in their own groups at IFAA sanctioned tournaments.

4. Cubs shall shoot in their own groups with a non-shooting responsible adult at IFAA sanctioned Tournaments.
5. The shooting positions of the group shall be decided by mutual agreement.
6. Each archer shall shoot from the same side for the first fourteen target unit, for the remaining fourteen target unit the archer shall shoot from the other side. An archer may opt, with the consent of the Target Captain, to shoot from the opposite side if he considers himself to be at a disadvantage from his own side at a particular target. At the conclusion of each fourteen target unit the archers shall change their order of shooting.  
Those who shot first shall shoot last, and those who shot last shall shoot first.
7. Single marker lay-out:  
No archer shall shoot from in front of an imaginary line, parallel to the target, running through the appropriate marker. One foot shall not be more than six inches behind or a maximum of three feet to either side of such marker. For all animal rounds, marked or unmarked, one foot shall touch or not be more than six inches behind or to either side of such marker.  
  
Double marker lay-out:  
No archer shall shoot from in front of the appropriate marker. One foot shall touch or not be more than six inches behind or to either side of such marker.
8. One group shall not hold up the following group by looking for lost arrows. Enough arrows shall be carried so that each archer may continue shooting and return to find missing arrows when shooting has ceased.
9. No archer may practice on any target of a course that is currently being used for purposes of a Tournament. Special practice targets must be provided. In the event of an indoor range "sighters" are permitted if the organisers of the event so allow.
10. If for any reason a group is holding up another group mutual arrangement may be made between the Target Captains to allow the following group to pass through.
11. An archer obtaining the Target Captains permission to leave the range for any valid reason may be privileged to return to his group and complete the unfinished round. His group may wait for his return but must allow the other groups to pass through. The Target Captain shall set a reasonable time limit for his return, upon the expiry of which, the group will continue. He may make up any targets missed in the interim at the discretion of the Field Captain.
12. No archer may shoot (or compete) in any one Tournament more than once unless advertised as a multiple registration Tournament.
13. Competitors may not shoot at practice targets during the course of a round except at an official break. In the event of an equipment failure, after repairs, an archer may shoot four arrows at a practice target under a Field or Range Captain's supervision.

14. Archers must shoot for the full duration of a Tournament as laid down in the Tournament specifications. Any scores made by an archer who does not complete the Tournament will not be taken into consideration for any awards. In the event of inclement weather the Tournament shall continue unless a pre-arranged signal is given by the Field Captain. Archers leaving the range before such a signal shall be withdrawn from the competition.
15. The decision to discontinue a Tournament, or part thereof, shall be a joint decision taken by the IFAA Vice-President (or in his absence his delegated representative), the Tournament Director and the Field Captain.
16. Targets shall be shot in the sequence intended. Any targets omitted shall be forfeited at the discretion of the Field Captain.
17. Groups shall not approach or interfere with other groups whilst either is shooting a target, but shall remain separate until all members of the group have finished shooting.
18. No archer shall draw a bow with the bow hand above the top of the head, when drawing on a horizontal plane.

#### I. Scoring

1. No arrows in the target or butt may be touched until the arrows have been scored.
2. On all targets less than 55 yards, arrows may be scored and drawn in the prescribed manner after each pair of archers have shot, to minimise arrow damage. The Target Captain and both scorers must go to the target to record the score.
3. Arrows passing through the target face but still in the butt may be pushed back by the Target Captain or deputy who did not shoot the arrow, and scored accordingly.
4. Skids or glances off the ground into the target shall not be counted.
5. If an arrow hits the scoring area but bounces off the target, or an arrow passes through the scoring area and is not retained in the butt, another arrow, which has been specially marked, shall be shot.  
In the event of a tie for any award a tie break will be held in the manner described in the tournament rules. A tie break shall be shot after the scores have been verified by the tournament score keeper and shall be shot under supervision of the Field Captain on the last shooting day of the tournament.
6. An archer who shoots arrows in excess of the prescribed number shall lose the score of the arrow or arrows of the higher value.
7. An archer who shoots from the wrong marker or at the wrong face will lose the score of that arrow. No new arrow may be shot.
8. In the event of a mis-shot arrow, an archer may shoot another arrow provided the mis-shot arrow can be reached with the bow from the archer's position at the marker.



9. An arrow hitting another within the target and remaining embedded in that arrow shall have the same scoring value as that arrow. Arrows being deflected by other arrows shall be scored by their position.
10. Where a line having a specific width separates one scoring zone from another on the face, the line is in the lower scoring area. Where there is no line the arrow must cut the higher scoring area to score the higher value.
11. The number of times an archer draws an arrow before releasing that arrow will be limited to four. If the arrow is not then shot it will be scored as a miss. The only exception to this rule will be in a dangerous situation at the discretion of the Target Captain. (or the first scorer if it is the Target Captain in question).

**ARTICLE V - OFFICIAL ROUNDS**

**A. Field Round**

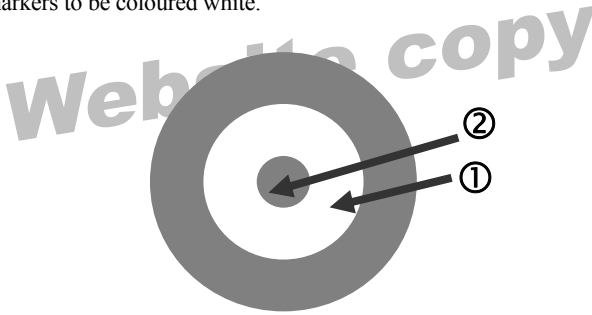
1. The standard unit shall consist of the following shots:

Size of target face	Number of Positions	Distance of positions		
		Adult/Veteran	Junior	Cub
65cm	4	80-70-60-50 yds	50 yds	30-25-20-15 yds
65cm	1	65 yds	50 yds	30 yds
65cm	1	60 yds	45 yds	25 yds
65cm	1	55 yds	40 yds	20 yds
50cm	4	45-40-35-30 yds	as adult	20 yds
50cm	4	35-35-35-35 yds	as adult	20 yds
50cm	1	50 yds	as adult	20 yds
50cm	1	45 yds	as adult	15 yds
50cm	1	40 yds	as adult	15-15-15-15 yds
35cm	1	30 yds	as adult	10 yds
35cm	1	25 yds	as adult	10 yds
35cm	1	20 yds	as adult	10 yds
35cm	1	15 yds	as adult	10 yds
20cm	4	35-30-25-20 ft	as adult	20 ft

2. The field face shall have a black spot with a white inner ring and black outer ring, four face sizes shall be used :-

	①	②
20cm face	12cm inner ring	4 cm spot
35cm face	21cm inner ring	7cm spot
50cm face	30cm inner ring	10cm spot
65cm face	39cm inner ring	13cm spot

The scoring is five for the spot, four for the inner ring, three for the outer ring.  
All markers to be coloured white.



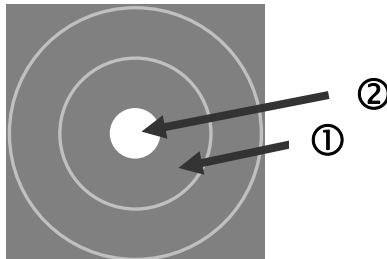
**B. Hunter Round**

1. The standard unit shall consist of the following shots :-

Size of face	Number of Positions	Distance of Positions		
		Adult/Veteran	Junior	Cub
65cm	4	70-65-61-58 yds	50 yds	30-25-20-15 yds
65cm	4	64-59-55-52 yds	50 yds	30 yds
65cm	4	58-53-48-45 yds	45 yds	25 yds
50cm	4	53-48-44-41 yds	41 yds	20 yds
50cm	1	48 yds	as adult	20 yds
50cm	1	44 yds	as adult	20 yds
50cm	1	40 yds	as adult	20 yds
50cm	4	36-36-36-36 yds	as adult	15 yds
35cm	4	32-32-32-32 yds	as adult	15-15-15-15 yds
35cm	4	28-28-28-28 yds	as adult	10 yds
35cm	2	23-20 yds	as adult	10 yds
35cm	2	19-17 yds	as adult	10 yds
35cm	2	15-14 yds	as adult	10 yds
20cm	1	11 yds	as adult	20 ft

2. The Hunter face shall be all black with white spot. Four face sizes shall be used with dimensions the same as the field faces. The scoring is the same as for the Field Round.

3. All markers to be coloured red.



### C. Animal Round Marked Distances

1. The standard unit shall consist of the following shots :-

Group 1 face	Adults/Veterans: Three 5yd walk-up shots with first marker set between 60 and 40 yards (3 markers) Juniors: Adult front marker only Cubs: 30-25-20 yd Walk-up, 1x30 yds, 1x25 yds, 1x20 yds
Group 2 face	Adults/Veterans/Juniors: Three 3yd walk-up shots with first marker set between 45 and 30 yards (3 markers) Cubs: 3x 20 yds
Group 3 face	Adults/Veterans/Juniors: Four one position shots (one marker) with marker set between 35 and 20 yards Cubs: 1x20 yds, 2x 15yds, 1x10 yds
Group 4 face	Adults/Veterans/Juniors: Four one position shots (one marker) with marker set between 20 and 10 yards Cubs: 3x 10 yds, 1x20 ft

### 2. Targets

- The targets for this round are Animal faces with the scoring area divided into two parts. The high scoring area is oblong while the low scoring area is the area between the high scoring area and the "hide and hair" line or "feathers" as the case may be. The area between the hide and hair" line (including the line) to the outside of the carcass is considered a non-scoring area.
- The high scoring area of Group 1 faces is 9" wide by 14 ½" long with rounded ends.
- The high scoring area of Group 2 faces is 7" wide by 10 ½" long with rounded ends.
- The high scoring area of Group 3 faces is 4 ½" wide by 7" long with rounded ends.
- The high scoring area of Group 4 faces is 2 ½" wide by 3½" long with rounded ends.
- All high scoring zones shall be shaped in accordance with Article 12 B of the Policy section.

### 3. Shooting Positions

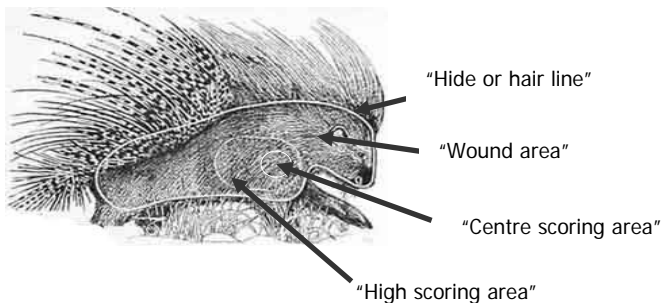
- A maximum of three shots is allowed, but an archer shoots only until a hit is made. If the first arrow hits the scoring area no more arrows need be shot.

- b. An archer may not return to shoot the other arrows if he has moved towards the target.
- c. An archer's arrows must be clearly defined by rings, arrows to be shot in ascending order. If an archer accidentally shoots the wrong arrow first, he must immediately declare the fact to the Target Captain.
- d. Juniors shall shoot Group 1 targets from the closest marker on the walk-ups for adults.
- e. The first archer shall shoot at the first target face and the sequence of first, second, third and fourth archer (etc), thereafter shall be in rotation according to the score card order.

4. Scoring

	KILL	WOUND
1st arrow	20 points	18 points
2nd arrow	16 points	14 points
3rd arrow	12 points	10 points

All markers to be coloured yellow.



D. Animal Round unmarked distances

1. The Standard Unit shall be as the Animal Round marked distances except that the markers shall have no distances indicated on them.
2. Targets shall be as the Animal Round marked distances.
3. Shooting positions shall be as the Animal Round marked distances.
4. Scoring shall be as the Animal Round marked distances.
5. The use of range finders shall not be allowed.

E. IFAA 3-D Hunting Round (1 Arrow)

1. Target.

Only three dimensional targets will be used for this round

2. Standard Unit.

The standard unit is 28 targets.

3. Shooting positions.

Shooting positions will be unmarked and shall have the following maximum shooting distances:

Target Group number	Maximum distance		
	Veterans/adults	Juniors	Cubs
1	60 Y	50 Y	30 Y
2	45 Y	45 Y	25 Y
3	35 Y	35 Y	20 Y
4	20 Y	20 Y	10 Y

The rotation rule in Article VC3e of the Animal Round Marked Distances also applies to this round.

4. Scoring.

One arrow only per target.

Kill	20 points
Vital	16 points
Wound	10 points

F. IFAA 3-D Standard Round (2 Arrows)

1. Target.

Only three dimensional targets as specified for the IFAA 3-D Hunting Round shall be used for this round.

2. Standard Unit.

The Standard unit is 28 Targets.

3. Shooting positions.

Two markers per target set at different distances. The maximum distance for each target group number will be the same as for the IFAA 3-D Hunting Round.

The rotation rule in Article VC3e of the Animal Round Marked Distances also applies to this round.

4. Scoring.

Both arrows are counted for score.

Kill	10 points
Vital	8 points
Wound	5 points

G. International Round

- 1 The International Round is a 20 target round (10 targets per unit) and shall consist of the following shots:-

Size of face	Number of positions	Distances of Positions		
		Adult/Veteran	Junior	Cubs
65cm	1	65 yds	50 yds	25 yds
65cm	1	60 yds	45 yds	20 yds
65cm	1	55 yds	40 yds	20 yds
50cm	1	50 yds	as adult	20 yds
50cm	1	45 yds	as adult	20 yds
50cm	1	40 yds	as adult	15 yds
50cm	1	35 yds	as adult	15 yds
35cm	1	30 yds	as adult	10 yds
35cm	1	25 yds	as adult	10 yds
35cm	1	20 yds	as adult	10 yds

2. Targets shall conform to the specification of the IFAA Hunter Round. Three face sizes shall be used - 35cm, 50cm, 65 cm.

Three arrows to be shot at each distance. The scoring is five for the spot, four for the inner ring, three for the outer ring. On the thirty five yard field fan the two centre markers shall be used for the shooting positions in the International Round. All other rules of the Field Round shall apply to the International Round

H. Expert Field Round

1. All distances and target faces as for the IFAA Field Round shall apply, except that the sub dividing lines shall be used, these lines being midway in each of the spot (for tie breakers only) inner and outer.
2. The scoring is as follows:-  
 Five points for the spot, four points for the second circle, three points for the third circle, two points for the fourth circle and one point for the fifth circle.  
 The white 6 in the centre spot is used for tie breakers only. All other rules of the IFAA Field Round shall apply to the Expert Round.

## I. Flint Indoor Round

### 1. Standard unit

- a. Shall consist of a round of 56 arrows, shot as two games of 28 arrows. Each game shall consist of seven ends with four arrows per end.
- b. The standard unit shall consist of the following shots:-

Size of face		Number of Positions	Sequence of Shooting	Distance of Positions
Veterans/Adults Juniors	Cubs			
35cm	50cm	1	1	25 yds
20cm	35cm	1	2	20 ft
35cm	50cm	1	3	30 yds
20cm	35cm	1	4	15 yds
35cm	50cm	1	5	20 yds
20cm	35cm	1	6	10 yds
35cm	50cm	4	7	30-25-20-15 yds

- c. Scoring shall be the same as for the Field Round.

### 2. Targets

- a. The targets are standard 20cm and 35cm field target faces placed in two rows on each butt. The centre of the upper row shall be 48" from the floor. The centre of the lower row shall be 30" from the floor and directly below the upper target.
- b. For cubs the 20 cm face shall be replaced with a 35 cm face and the 35 cm face with a 50 cm face.

### 3. Shooting Positions

- a. This round is to be shot on a 30 yard range with shooting lines marked parallel to target line at distances of 20 feet, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 yards.
- b. Starting at the 30 yard line and proceeding toward the target line, the shooting lines are to be numbered 3, 1, 5, 4, 6 and 2.
- c. There shall be a separate lane for each butt and the archer shall go from one shooting line to his next shooting line in the lane for the butt which his two targets are placed.
- d. The targets on the butt in the second lane shall be reversed from those in the first lane. Those in the third lane shall be exactly the same as those in the first. Those in the fourth lane shall be exactly the same as those in the second.

#### 4. Shooting Rules

- a. An archer shall stand so that he has one foot on either side of the shooting line.
- b. The time limit per end shall be three minutes.
- c. All other shooting rules shall apply as listed under IFAA Tournament rules.
- d. In the event of equipment failure, the archer will have 15 minutes repair time without holding up the tournament. He/She shall be allowed to shoot the missed arrows after the final end of the round with a maximum of six arrows.
- e. If an archer starts out on a high target, as in lane one, he shoots his second end of the low target in the same lane. The archer continues to shoot at the targets in his lane until he has shot at seven targets.

For his second seven target score, he should go to another lane in which the targets are in reverse from the one he started out on.

#### J. IFAA Indoor Round

##### 1. Standard Unit

Shall consist of a round of 60 arrows, shot as 3 games at a distance of 20 yards. (Cubs will shoot at a distance of 10 Yards)

Each game shall consist of 4 ends of 5 arrows per end.

##### 2. Targets

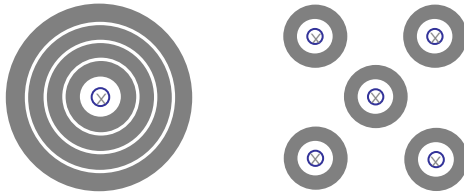
- a. The target face shall be 40cm in diameter and shall be a dull blue colour. The spot shall be two white rings with a blue **X** in the centre ring. All inscribed scoring rings shall be white. (**X**-ring is used for tie breakers only)
- b. The bulls-eye shall be 8cm in diameter with 4cm diameter **X**-ring.
- c. The Tournament Director may allow the archer to use the Indoor 5-spot target which will contain five 16 cm targets on a screened blue surface. A single target will consist of:
  - 1) A white scoring area of 8.0 cm diameter.
  - 2) An outer scoring area of 16.0 cm being of a dull blue colour.
  - 3) Scoring will be: White scoring area: 5 points  
Blue scoring area: 4 points
  - 4) One arrow will be shot at each five targets on the face. They may be shot in any preferred sequence.



5) The targets on the face shall be arranged similar to the number "five dice".

### 3. Shooting Positions

Shooting positions will provide sufficient area to enable two archers to shoot simultaneously at one target butt.



### 4. Shooting Rules

- a. An archer shall stand so that he has one foot on either side of the shooting line.
- b. The time limit per end shall be four minutes.
- c. All other shooting rules shall apply as listed under IFAA Tournament rules.
- d. In the event of equipment failure, the archer will have 15 minutes repair time without holding up the tournament. He shall be allowed to shoot the missed arrows after the final end of the round, with a maximum of five arrows.

### 5. Scoring

- a. The scoring is 5, 4, 3, 2, 1 from the spot out.
- b. All arrows shall be scored and recorded before touching or drawing any arrows from the target.
- c. An arrow cutting two rings shall be scored in the ring of greater value. Scoring is determined by the position of shaft. The shaft must cut through the line and touch the area of higher value in order to be scored as the higher value.
- d. In the case of a witnessed bounce-out or an arrow passing completely through the scoring area of the target an archer may shoot another arrow.
- e. Hits on the wrong target will be scored as misses.
- f. When an arrow is dropped while the archer is in the act of shooting, he may shoot another arrow in place of the dropped arrow if the dropped arrow is within 10 feet of the shooting line.

- g. If an archer shoots more than five arrows in an end, only the five arrows of the lower value may be scored.
- h. If an archer shoots less than five arrows in one end he may shoot his remaining arrows if the omission is discovered before the end is officially completed; otherwise they shall be scored as misses.

## **ARTICLE VI - COURSE LAY-OUT REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL OUTDOOR EVENTS**

### A. In setting out a field course, the following points are to be adhered to: -

1. Distances used shall be those designated for the round to be shot.
2. All distances shall be correct within six inches; the distance of the target is the distance from the archer's side of the marker to the centre of the butt.
3. All butts must be stable so there is no danger of tipping.
4. Shooting lanes must be cleared so the arrows will not strike foliage or branches.
5. Any person, regardless of height, must have a clear view of the full face of the target.
6. Paths must never pass directly behind a target butt, it is preferred that paths should leave the butt at such an angle that archers leave the line of shooting quickly. Paths and target lanes must be clearly marked and adequate direction signs placed.
7. Target butts must be placed so that misses do not constitute a hazard to other groups of archers. Bales or butts must not leak arrows or be reinforced with any material which will damage arrows or be likely to cause bounce-outs.

### B. Safety Requirements

1. No course shall receive approval until all hazards to safety, in the opinion of the Range Inspector have been removed.
2. If a target butt is situated so that any path, target, road or building is behind at an unreasonable distance, then the target must be provided with adequate backstop.
3. The practice area must be placed so that no paths or roads pass behind the practice butts.
4. A minimum of 25 feet is necessary between any paths or shooting lanes parallel to another shooting lane. This minimum permits a tolerance depending on terrain and length of shot, but the distance used must preserve absolute safety.

### C. Approvals and Procedure

1. Courses shall be inspected and approved annually. No alterations are permitted without prior consent to the Range Inspector.

2. At an IFAA World and Regional Tournament or any other special tournament sponsored by the IFAA, course approval by the IFAA is required. Official approval will be through the Vice-President of the IFAA or his designated representative.
3. For sanctioned IFAA tournaments, course approval shall be by the World Council Representative for that particular member and approval shall be for that particular tournament only.

## **ARTICLE VII - CLASSIFICATION**

### **A. Records**

1. Each member shall adopt and maintain a system which accurately records scores shot by archers on each 28 targets whether shot in Field or Hunter Rounds or a combination thereof. Only scores shot in sanctioned tournaments shall be recorded.
2. In tournaments sponsored or sanctioned by the IFAA each member and the archer shall make available to the Tournament Chairman such records as he deems necessary to ensure proper classification of all participants.
3. The IFAA World Field Archery Championships shall be used to establish world ranking.

### **B. Classification Classes**

1. In the Barebow, Freestyle Limited and Freestyle Unlimited Divisions for Men, Women and Junior Boys and Girls, there shall be the following classes based on a 28 target round: -

<b>Class</b>	<b>Freestyle Limited</b>	<b>Freestyle Unlimited</b>	<b>Barebow</b>
A	450 - plus	500 - plus	400 - plus
B	350 - 449	400 - 499	300 - 399
C	0 - 349	0 - 399	0 - 299

2. In the Bowhunter, Bowhunter Limited and Bowhunter Unlimited Divisions for Men, Women and Junior Boys and Girls, there shall be the following classes based on a 28 target round:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Bowhunter Limited</b>	<b>Bowhunter Unlimited</b>	<b>Bowhunter</b>
A	450 - plus	475 - plus	375 - plus
B	300 - 449	325 - 474	225 - 374
C	0 - 299	0 - 324	0 - 224

3. In the Longbow Division for Men, Women and Junior Boys and Girls there shall be the following classes based on a 28 target round: -

Class	Longbow
A	250 - plus
B	150 - 249
C	0 - 149

4. For the World and Regional Championship Tournaments and other tournaments sanctioned by the IFAA classes shall be in accordance with this article.
5. For sanctioned IFAA tournaments and/or tournaments sanctioned by the member within that nation, classes shall be in accordance with the system adopted by that member.

**B. Classification procedures**

1. For the World and Regional tournaments and other tournaments sponsored by the IFAA the Tournament Chairman shall follow the procedure as follows to determine an archer's class:-
- a. No score recorded two years prior to the tournament shall be considered.
  - b. An archer who is not classified shall compete in the highest contested class in his style in that tournament.
  - c. Classification of an archer shall be determined by the archer's two highest scores in a twelve month period.
  - d. Reclassification shall occur on an archer attaining two higher classification level scores in a twelve month period where the higher classification shall apply for the balance of that twelve month period and for the following twelve month period unless a higher class is attained in that period.

**ARTICLE VIII - JUNIOR DIVISION**

- A. A Junior division is established for archers under the age of seventeen years.
- B. Competitors in the Junior division will shoot from the appropriate adult markers up to a maximum distance of 50 yards. The junior markers will be coloured blue.
- C. A Junior may elect to shoot in the adult division with written parental consent, but having done so may not revert back to Junior.
- D. The Junior division shall be eligible for awards in the same manner as adults.

- E. Age will be determined by that attained on the first day of the tournament. Acceptable proof of age must be submitted.

#### **ARTICLE IX - CUB DIVISION**

- A. A Cub division is established for archers under the age of thirteen years.
- B. A Cub may elect to shoot in the Junior division with written parental consent, but having done so may not revert back to Cub.
- C. Cub shooting markers will be coloured black.
- D. The Cub division will be split into boys and girls, but there will be no classes within the divisions.
- E. The Cubs will be allowed to compete in the Barebow and Freestyle Limited divisions only. Compounds will be permitted.
- F. Age will be determined by that attained on the first day of the tournament. Acceptable proof of age must be submitted.

## IFAA WORLD FIELD ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIP (WFAC) RULES

### A. DURATION

The WFAC shall be held on five (5) consecutive days.

### B. BIDDING

Bidding by a member to host WFAC will be in accordance with the IFAA By-Laws.

### C. OFFICIALS

Tournament officials as referred to in Article IVG of the By-Laws shall be appointed for each event

### D. FORMAT

The WFAC Format will consist of:

Sunday	-	Opening ceremonies.
Monday	-	WFAC Field Round.
Tuesday	-	WFAC Hunter Round.
Wednesday	-	WFAC Animal Round
Thursday	-	WFAC Field Round
Friday	-	WFAC Hunter Round.
Saturday	-	Awards Ceremony and optional Banquet/Dinner, Passing of IFAA Banner to next host member of WFAC, Closing Ceremonies.

### E. SPECIFIC RULES FOR WFAC

1 The general rules for Tournament Officials; Protest Committee; Technical Control; Official Rounds; Targets; Equipment; Style and Division; Classification; Shooting Distance; Position & Scoring as well as Insurance; will be those rules contained in the By-Laws and Policies as are applicable.

#### 2 SHOOTING DISTANCE

- a. The shooting distances for the WFAC shall be MARKED (Known).
- b. Each target of the range shall have an Indicator Board at the shooting position. This board shall carry the following information:
  - Target Number.
  - Distance
  - A picture of the relevant Animal target face showing the "Kill" zone position

3. Optical spotting aids are permitted

4. To shoot the Animal Round all three arrows must be clearly marked with rings to identify the sequence of each arrow. (ie one ring for the first arrow, 2 rings for the second arrow etc). Rings shall be at the back of the arrow and may not be visible to the archer when the bow is drawn. Arrows will be shot in ascending order, first arrow first.  
If an archer accidentally shoots the wrong arrow first, he/she must immediately declare that fact to the Group Captain (Target Captain) who will direct in which sequence the following arrows are to be shot.
5. In the event of a tie for any award the archers concerned will break the tie by a shoot-off over three Field targets (four arrows per target) set up on the practice range at 50 yards. The target face of the first round shall be 65 cm, that of the second round shall be 50 cm and that of the third round shall be 35 cm. If the tie is not then broken they will continue shooting a single arrow “sudden death” on the 35 cm target face.
6. Rules for the IFAA Champion of Nations competition associated with the WFAC will be as specified in the Policy Section of the IFAA Book or Rules.

## F. WFAC OFFICIAL ROUNDS

### 1. The WFAC Field Round

- a. Target.  
Paper targets as specified for the Field Round under Article V (A1 & A2) of the By-Laws.
- b. Standard Unit.  
The Standard unit shall be two standard Field Rounds of 14 targets which are combined. The targets shall be marked from 1 to 28.
- c. Shooting positions.  
Shooting positions shall be as defined under Article V (A1) of the By-Laws. Markers shall be as defined under Article V (A3) of the By-Laws.
- d. Scoring.  
Scoring shall be as defined under Article V (A2) of the By-Laws

### 2. The WFAC Hunter Round

- a. Target.  
Paper targets as specified for the Hunter Round under Article V (B1 & B2) of the By-Laws.
- b. Standard Unit.  
The Standard unit shall be two standard Hunter Rounds of 14 targets which are combined. The targets shall be marked from 1 to 28.

- c. Shooting positions.  
Shooting positions shall be as defined under Article V (B1) of the By-Laws  
Markers shall be as defined under Article V (B3) of the By-Laws
- d. Scoring.  
Scoring shall be as defined under Article V (B2) of the By-Laws

### 3. The WFAC Animal Round Marked Distances

- a. Target.  
Paper targets as specified for the Animal Round Marked Distances under Article V (C1) of the By-Laws.
- b. Standard Unit.  
The Standard unit shall be two standard Animal Rounds Marked Distances of 14 targets which are combined. The targets shall be marked from 1 to 28.
- c. Shooting positions.  
Shooting positions shall be as defined under Article V (C1 & C3) of the By-Laws  
Markers shall be as defined under Article V (C4) of the By-Laws
- d. Scoring  
Scoring shall be as defined under Article V (C4) of the By-Laws

## G. COURSE LAY-OUT REQUIREMENTS

All relevant course lay-out requirements as defined in Article VI of the By-Laws shall apply Scoring.

## H. DURATION

The WFAC will be held on five (5) consecutive days.

## I. BIDDING

Bidding by an IFAA member to host WFAC will be in accordance with the IFAA By-Laws.

Any member bidding for the WFAC must assure the IFAA Committee (or, the IFAA President if the bidding is done at a time other than a designated IFAA Committee Meeting) that:

1. If the event is to be held simultaneous with another event such as a National Field Archery event, no deviances from IFAA rules will be allowed. OR, see (2) below.
2. If (1.) above is not attested to the WFAC is to be held as a stand alone event and will strictly follow all IFAA Rules.
3. The WFAC will be sovereign over other associated events.



J. ROTATION

Rotation of WFAC through the IFAA Continental Regions, shall be in accordance with IFAA By-Laws.

2008	2018	Africa
2010	2020	Europe
2012	2022	South America
2014	2024	North America
2016	2026	Australasia

K. FORMAT

The WFAC Format will consist of:

Sunday	-	Opening ceremonies.
Monday	-	One 28 target IFAA Field Round.
Tuesday	-	One 28 target IFAA Hunter Round.
Wednesday	-	One 28 target IFAA Animal Round (Paper faces)
Thursday	-	One 28 target IFAA Field Round
Friday	-	One 28 target IFAA Hunter Round.
Saturday	-	Awards Ceremony and optional Banquet/Dinner, Passing of IFAA Banner to next host member of WFAC, Closing Ceremonies.

L. SPECIFIC RULES FOR WFAC

Rules for: Tournament Officials; Protest Committee; Technical Control; Official Rounds; Targets; Equipment; Style and Division; Classification; Shooting Distance; Position & Scoring and; Insurance; will be those rules contained in the By-Laws and Policy as are applicable.

Rules for the IFAA Champion of Nations competition associated with the WFAC will be as specified in the Policy Section of the IFAA Book or Rules.

A Technical control is to be appointed before the WFAC tournament and, by the host member. All bows and equipment will be inspected and, marked as having been inspected, prior to the start of WFAC competition. Each competitor must present his/her equipment to the Technical Control for equipment check at the designated time and place. It is the responsibility of the archer to maintain his/her equipment within the specified IFAA rules.

Failure to do so may result in a protest by another archer which may result in disqualification.

## IF.A.A. WORLD BOWHUNTER CHAMPIONSHIP (WBHC) RULES

### A. DURATION

The World Bowhunter Championships shall be shot over four (4) consecutive days. A 5th day will be allowed as an additional tournament day if the number of participants warrant this.

### B. BIDDING

Bidding by a member to host the WBHC will be in accordance with the IFAA By-Laws.

### C. OFFICIALS

Tournament officials as referred to in Article IVG of the By-Laws shall be appointed for each event

### D. ROTATION

Rotation of WBHC through the IFAA Continental Regions, shall be in accordance with IFAA By-Laws.

2007	2017	Europe
2009	2019	South America
2011	2021	North America
2013	2023	Australasia
2015	2025	Africa

### E. FORMAT

The WBHC Format shall consist of the following 28 target rounds:

2 Rounds of the IFAA Unmarked Animal Round	– 3 Arrow Round
1 Round of the IFAA 3-D Standard Round	– 2 Arrow Round
1 Round of the IFAA 3-D Hunting Round	– 1 Arrow Round

Rounds may be shot in any sequence

### F. SPECIFIC RULES FOR WORLD BOWHUNTER CHAMPIONSHIPS (WBHC)

The general rules for Tournament Officials; Protest Committee; Technical Control; Official Rounds; Targets; Equipment; Style and Division; Unmarked Shooting Distance; Position & Scoring as well as Insurance, will be those rules contained in the By-Laws and Policies will apply, other than where specific Rules are set forth herein.

## 1. TARGETS

### a. Paper Targets

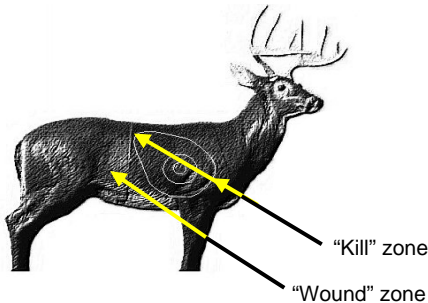
Paper targets will be those faces recognised by the IFAA and approved by the IFAA Vice-President. These targets will have Kill and Wound areas uniform with the provisions of the IFAA By-Laws.

### b. 3-D Targets

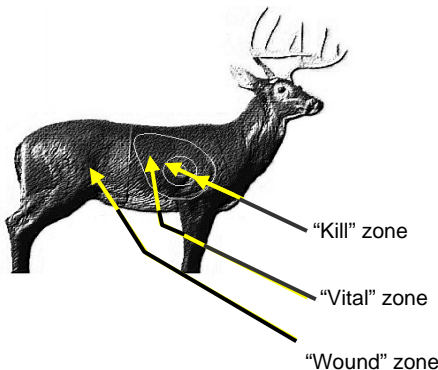
Targets recognised by the IFAA which are in accordance with the IFAA rule book  
Targets that have only 2 defined score zones shall be scored by including a third score zone which is the area between the outer defined score zone and the hairline. ("Vital" area).

Targets that have 3 defined score zones, shall be scored by combining the defined bull and inner score zone to be the bull zone, and by then adding the third score zone being the area between the outer defined score zone and the hairline.

- c. Two targets (paper faces or 3D targets) will be required when the distance between the target and the Adult shooting position is 20 yards or less. (Group 4 targets)



**Unmarked Animal Round**



**3-D Hunting Round**  
**3-D Standard Round**

## 2. SHOOTING DISTANCE

- a. The shooting distances for the WBHC shall be UNMARKED (Unknown).
- b. Each target of the range shall have an Indicator Board at the shooting position. This board shall carry the following information:
  - Target Number.
  - Face Size (Group 1, 2, 3 or 4)
  - 3-D Size (Group 1, 2, 3 or 4)
  - A picture of the relevant target or target face showing the “Kill” and “Vital” zone positions.

## 3. EQUIPMENT

Equipment for all shooting styles shall be that as provided by the General Rules, subject to:

- a. Where the rules require more than one arrow to be shot, all arrows must be clearly marked with rings to identify the sequence of each arrow. (i.e. one ring for first arrow, 2 rings for second arrow etc). Rings shall be at the back of the arrow and may not be visible to the archer when the bow is drawn. Arrows will be shot in ascending order, the arrow with a single ring first.  
If an archer accidentally shoots the wrong arrow first, he/she must immediately declare that fact to the Group Captain (Target Captain) who will direct in which sequence the following arrows are to be shot.
- b. Bow quivers are permitted for all Divisions if their binding (mounting) system is not visible in the sight window.
- c. Field Glasses (binocular or monocular), optical spotting devices such as scope, range finders, and other optical aids are not permitted. Cameras may not be used as range finders, and may be used (as a camera) only after all archers in the group have finished shooting the target.
- d. Change of equipment during the tournament:
  1. Changing an equipment part involving a style (division) change or for the purpose of making the shoot easier in one or another of the different rounds, shall not be permitted.
  2. An archer must compete in and finish the event with the same equipment he/she starts with except in the case of equipment failure.
  3. Bow weight shall not be adjusted during any one round of the tournament.
  4. In the Bowhunter Limited and Bowhunter Unlimited Divisions sight pins shall not be moved during any one round of the tournament.

#### 4. MISC. SHOOTING RULES

- a. A Pro-Am Prize Money Division shall be included in lieu of the standard Pro Division.
- b. No competitor, or any other person not officially associated with the tournament, will be allowed to survey or inspect the Bowhunter courses prior to shooting.
- c. No person may accompany the groups on the ranges who is not a competitor assigned to that group (No guests). The organisers may authorise persons on the range such as officials and media.
- d. Discussion of target distance between competitors or any form of disclosing distances is strictly forbidden and may result in disqualification.
- e. An archer is allowed to use his personal notes, such as sight settings, etc on the range. However making additional notes on the range that in any way reflect shooting conditions, distances, etc. and may be used to assist any other competitor at a later stage in the tournament is strictly forbidden and may result in disqualification.
- f. No member of the group (or another group) may go forward of any shooting stake until all members of the group have shot their arrows at that stake.
- g. Within the shooting groups the first two archers shall shoot first on the 1st target, the next two archers will shoot first on the next target and so on through the round. These numbers may require modification depending on the total of archers in a group and the number who can shoot at one time at a given target.
- h. When there is a choice of two targets the archer standing on the left will shoot the left target and the archer on the right will shoot the right target.
- i. In the event of a tie for any award the archers concerned will break the tie by a shoot-off over three 3D targets (two arrows per target) set up on the practice range at group 1 distances. The target of the first round shall be a group 1 target that of the second round shall be a group 2 target and that of the third round shall be a group 3 target. If the tie is not then broken they will continue shooting a single arrow "sudden death" on the group 3 target, which will be moved further back after each arrow..

#### 5. SCORING

- a. The arrow must cut though the line, touching the scoring area, to be counted.
- b. Arrows that enter the 3-D target close to the hair-line and do not remain embedded in the target, are not counted. No other arrow shall be shot.
- c. On 3-D targets, the arrows sticking in the target stand or base, and those in the horns or antlers are not counted.

## G. WBHC OFFICIAL ROUNDS

### 1. IFAA Unmarked Animal Round (3 arrows)

#### a. Targets.

Either paper faces or 3-D targets shall be used. The two types shall not be mixed on the same range.

The event organiser must nominate as part of the bid what targets will be used.

#### b. Standard Unit.

As specified in the By-Laws for the IFAA Marked Animal Round.

#### c. Shooting Positions.

As specified in the By-Laws for IFAA Marked Animal Round except that the distances shall not be marked or noted.

	<b>Adult/Veteran</b>	<b>Junior</b>	<b>Cub</b>
Group 1 Target	Three 5yd walk-up shots with first marker set between 60 and 40 yards (3 markers)	Front marker of the Adult distance	Three 5yd walk-up shots with first marker set at max. 30 yards (3 markers)
Group 2 Target	Three 3yd walk-up shots with first marker set between 45 and 30 yards (3 markers)	Adult distance	Single marker Max. 25 yards
Group 3 Target	Four one position shots (one marker) with marker set between 35 and 20 yards	Adult distance	Single marker Max. 20 yards
Group 4 Target	Four one position shots (one marker) with marker set between 20 and 10 yards	Adult distance	Single marker Max. 10 yards

#### d. Scoring.

As specified in the By-Laws for the IFAA Marked Animal Round:

In the event that 3-D targets are used for this round, the “spot” and “vital” area shall be combined and will be called the “Kill area”.

### 2. IFAA 3-D STANDARD ROUND (2 Arrows)

#### a. Targets

Targets as specified under the By-Laws for the 3-D IFAA Standard Round shall be used.

#### b. Standard Unit.

As specified in the By-Laws for the 3-D IFAA Standard Round.

#### c. Shooting Positions.

As specified in the By-Laws for the 3-D IFAA Standard Round.

d. Scoring

As specified in the By-Laws for the 3-D IFAA Standard Round.

3. IFAA 3-D HUNTING ROUND (1 Arrow)

a. Targets

Targets as specified under the By-Laws for the 3-D IFAA Hunting Round shall be used.

b. Standard Unit.

As specified in the By-Laws for the 3-D IFAA Hunting Round.

c. Shooting Positions.

As specified in the By-Laws for the 3-D IFAA Hunting Round.

d. Scoring

As specified in the By-Laws for the 3-D IFAA Hunting Round.

H. COURSE LAY-OUT REQUIREMENTS

1. All relevant course lay-out requirements as defined in Article VI of the By-Laws shall apply.
2. In laying out or setting up a Bowhunter course the following points must be followed:
  - a. Distances used shall be those designated for the individual round or portion of the round being used.
  - b. All target butts must be stable with no danger of tipping. 3D targets shall be freestanding and securely anchored.
  - c. Any competitor, regardless of height, must have a clear view of the target. When constructing a CUB only range, take into consideration the reduced heights of the competitors.
  - d. Target lanes, areas, etc., are not required to be maintained at the same level of a Field Course. IE: targets may be placed in a reasonably representative area of natural growth. The target must not be purposely obscured from view. While realising some hunters will take a more difficult shot, the organiser must not accept that as a norm. We are presenting representative and competitive rounds, not constructing an obstacle course or a test of acrobatic skills. Some degree of difficulty is permissible, tempered with a balance of consideration for the average and the non-hunting archer. All archers must have a clear view of the target. The total score area must not be obscured.
3. The 3D target will be positioned so that the scoring area is face on to the archer. For group 1 and 2 targets, the target may be angled towards or away from the archer,

however such angle shall not exceed 15 degrees. (i.e. a facing away or towards archer) “Up-hill” or “down-hill” shots shall not exceed 45 degrees.

A target butt (a butt to which the IFAA paper targets is attached in other IFAA Rounds) shall not be set up with the free-standing 3D target. To ensure minimal arrow damage and/or arrow loss, a back-stop either natural or man-made shall be provided behind each target as follows:

A minimum distance of 10 yards shall be provided between the target and such back-stop.

The natural back-stop shall be the natural terrain which shall be free, as far as is practicable, of rock or stone.

An alternative to the natural back-stop is the man-made version using carpet off-cuts, nets or other usable material, which can be suspended in 2 layers. The first layer when hit by the arrow will move with the impact with, in most cases, the arrow falling to the ground. In the occasional occurrence where the arrow passes through the first layer, the second layer, and reduced arrow velocity incurred through passing through the first layer, will stop the arrow.

The carpet, net or other usable material may be suspended between trees, or over a constructed frame, with layers set at 2 feet apart. The height of the suspended carpet should be at least 8 feet from the ground, with the carpet reaching the ground and loosely anchored to still allow the carpet to move under arrow impact. The back-stop should be camouflaged, where practicable, to blend in with terrain.

#### 4. TREE STAND SHOTS

No Commercial or Home made actual Tree Stands will be used.

Tree Stand shots may be simulated through the use of Shooting Platforms.

#### 5. SHOOTING PLATFORMS

Shooting platforms may be used to simulate Tree Stands. When used, the platform must be sturdy and solid so as to present no safety hazard to the competitor who must use it. A shooting platform should be constructed to readily accommodate two archers, of any size, at one time.

Even then it is recommended that only one archer be allowed to use the stand at any one time; certainly, never more than two.

The Platform must be constructed so as to provide safe and easy access. Steps must be sturdy, solid and have the ability to be used safely by any competing archer. A hand rail should be provided in most cases to assist in mounting the steps. No rung ladder or other rudimentary device will be acceptable for gaining access to the raised platform.

A railing of no less than three (3) feet in height, must encircle the actual raised platform except for the space required for entry by the steps.

Shooting platforms that are not considered to be safe by the inspecting IFAA Official, will not be used. Instead, that shot shall be converted to a ground level shot.

NOTE: A platform built against the side of a hill may allow straight access to the platform from the target trail. In such a case, the requirement for steps could



logically be waived. The Organiser of the tournament should keep in mind that the purpose of the platform is to provide an elevated shot, simulating a tree stand shot, and not to construct an obstacle course.

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## IFAA WORLD INDOOR ARCHERY CHAMPIONSHIP (WIAC) RULES

### A. DURATION

The World Indoor Championships shall be held over three (3) consecutive days.

### B. BIDDING

Bidding by a member to host WIAC will be in accordance with the IFAA By-Laws.

### C. OFFICIALS

Tournament officials as referred to in Article VII G of the By-Laws shall be appointed for each event

### D. ROTATION

Rotation of WIAC through the IFAA Continental Regions shall be in accordance with IFAA By-Laws.

2007	2017	Europe
2009	2019	South America
2011	2021	North America
2013	2023	Australasia
2015	2025	Africa

### E. FORMAT

The WIAC Format shall be:

The night preceding Day 1	-	Opening ceremony
Day 1	-	One IFAA Standard Indoor Round
Day 2	-	One IFAA Standard Indoor Round
Day 3	-	One IFAA Standard Indoor Round Awards Ceremony

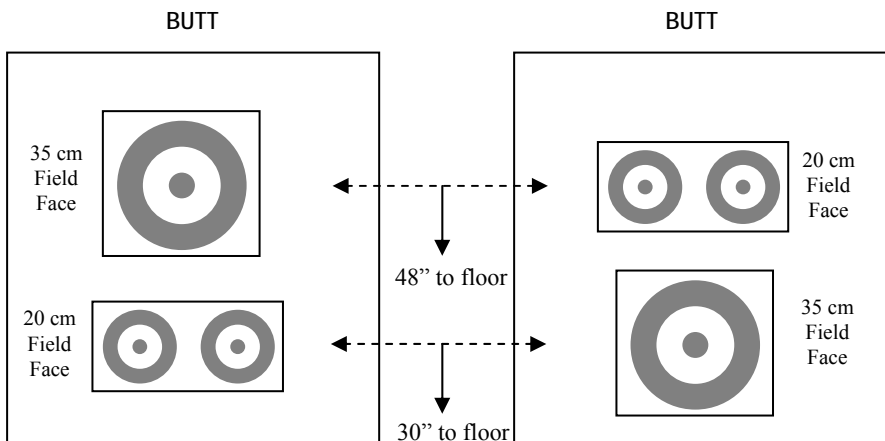
On Day 2 of the WIAC the Flint Indoor Round may be shot in stead of the IFAA Standard Indoor Round. The choice to shoot the Flint Indoor Round will lie with the WIAC organisers who shall include this choice as part of the bid to host the event.

### F. SPECIFIC RULES FOR WIAC

1. The general rules for Tournament Officials; Protest Committee; Technical Control; Official Rounds; Targets; Equipment; Style and Division; Shooting Distance; Position & Scoring as well as Insurance; will be those rules contained in the By-Laws and Policies as are applicable.

2. Optical spotting aids are permitted
3. A professional division in accordance with Article IV F. of the By-Laws shall be allowed.
4. In the event of a tie for any award, the archers concerned will break the tie by a shoot-off over three ends. The archer with the largest number of "X"-s scored will win the tie. If the tie is not then broken they will continue to shoot a single arrow "sudden death".
5. Standard Indoor Round:
  - a. Standard Indoor Round rules shall be in accordance with Article V (J) of the By-Laws.
  - b. An archer may choose either the single spot or the five spot target face. Target faces may not be interchanged during a round.
  - c. The centre of the target face shall not be less than 40 inches from the floor.
6. Flint Indoor Round:
  - a. Flint Indoor Round rules shall be in accordance with Article V(I) of the By-Laws.
  - b. Butts and targets shall be set out as figure 1
  - c. Shooting lanes shall be laid out as shown in figure 2

After completion of the first round of seven shooting positions, Archers on lanes 1 and 2 change lanes for the second round as will the archers on lanes 3 and 4, lanes 5 and 6, etc



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<b>BUTT 1</b>		2/20	6/20	4/20 + 7 (W)	5/35 + 7 (W)	1/35 + 7 (W)	3/35 + 7 (W)	Lane 1	
<b>BUTT 2</b>		2/20	6/20	4/20 + 7 (W)	5/35 + 7 (W)	1/35 + 7 (W)	3/35 + 7 (W)	Lane 2	
<b>BUTT 1</b>		2/20	6/20	4/20 + 7 (W)	5/35 + 7 (W)	1/35 + 7 (W)	3/35 + 7 (W)	Lane 3	
<b>BUTT 2</b>		2/20	6/20	4/20 + 7 (W)	5/35 + 7 (W)	1/35 + 7 (W)	3/35 + 7 (W)	Lane 4	

**Fig 2**  
**(Diagrammatic lay-out)**

Note: 3/35 stands for : Shooting position number 3, shot at a 35 cm target face  
 6/20 stands for : Shooting position number 6, shot at a 20 cm target face  
 7(W) stands for : Shooting position number 7, consisting of a walk-up

## POLICIES OF THE IFAA

### ARTICLE 1 - PROTEST COMMITTEE

- A. At IFAA World and Regional Tournaments, a Protest Committee will consider and rule on all disputes and protests submitted at those tournaments.
- B. Protests will be submitted in writing, no later than one-hour after completion of the day's shooting. Notice of intention to hear a protest will be made immediately after the archer filing such protest, has completed the day's shooting. All particulars of the protest, witnesses to the incident, reason for the protest being filed, will be contained in the written protest.
- C. A protest fee, amount to be set in advance, will accompany all protests at the time of filing.
- D. COMMITTEE MEMBERS  
The Protest Committee will consist of:
- Chairman : IFAA Vice-President or, in his absence, the President.
  - Members : Tournaments Chairman (Shoot Director)  
The representatives of three IFAA members

Representatives may vary at IFAA Regional tournaments, using IFAA personnel in attendance when possible.

The Committee Chairman may select alternate members as availability and number of designated members at that tournament dictates. Members of the Protest Committee will make themselves available at the end of shooting each day at a pre-designated place. A pre-designated signal may be used to notify members that a protest has been filed. EG: a special flag, announcement or signal.

#### E. PROTEST PROCEDURES

1. Protests will be concerned only with game shooting rules and equipment rules as established by the IFAA Rule Book. All other problems such as misconduct, range problems, etc. will be referred to the Tournament Chairman.
2. No person may file a protest for another; the person submitting the protest must be the injured party.
3. No Cub archer may file a protest.
4. An injured party who does not speak English, may ask an English speaking archer to attend the protest meeting as an interpreter only.
5. Field Marshals who have pertinent information regarding the incident, may be asked to attend the meeting to present their information.

6. No other person other than those mentioned herein may sit in on the protest meeting.
7. If the protest is upheld, the protest fee shall be returned. If not upheld, the fee shall go to the IFAA Treasurer for deposit in IFAA's General Fund.

## **ARTICLE 2 - TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

- A. The Technical Committee shall consist of three persons, who shall be members in good standing with an IFAA member.  
When possible, the three committee members will be selected from different IFAA Regions.
- B. The President will appoint the committee and designate its chairman.
- C. Rulings of the committee will be guided by the interpretations of the existing rules and regulations of the IFAA as contained in the current By-Laws and Policy.
- D. No ruling or interpretation of the Constitution will be accepted for consideration by this committee, nor shall this committee make any rulings regarding the Constitution.
- E. Requests for Interpretations and rulings.
  1. Requests for interpretations and/or rulings will be considered by the Technical Committee from the following sources:

- a. Rulings already made by an IFAA Official, acting in an assigned duty, during the course of an IFAA World or Regional tournament.

**NOTE:** These requests would usually be seeking confirmation that a ruling made by an official, during an IFAA tournament, was the correct ruling. The IFAA Technical Committee may either uphold or, choose not to uphold such a ruling based on their interpretation of the rules existing at that time. All rulings made during the course of a tournament should be forwarded to the IFAA Secretary, at the conclusion of the tournament for further distribution to the Technical Committee chairman. All conditions and interpretations bearing upon the ruling should be made available to the Technical Committee.

The Technical Committee may verify the correctness of the ruling.

- b. An IFAA Officer or Representative of an IFAA member.

**NOTE:** These requests would usually be for information (interpretation) of existing rules.

- c. Interpretations requested by manufacturers of new archery equipment.

**NOTE:** All requests from manufacturers will be considered as requests for interpretation only.

2. All requests for rulings and interpretation on equipment will be accompanied by written descriptions, pictures or, diagrams whenever possible in order for the Technical Committee to clearly understand the request. In the case of new equipment, or equipment not readily available to the rest of the world, the manufacturer's literature, pictures, etc. should be made available to the committee.  
**NOTE:** In the case of equipment or adequate descriptive material not being available to the Technical Committee, the committee may be unable to issue a ruling or a definitive interpretation.

F. NEW ARCHERY EQUIPMENT.

In the absence of a request for ruling, the Technical Committee is authorised to make rulings on new equipment. This authorisation and ruling made, will concern itself with new equipment, only if it is considered to be illegal for the use as the IFAA rules apply at that time.

G. RULINGS.

1. All rulings of the Technical Committee will be based on the rules of the IFAA as they exist at the time of the ruling.
2. In the case that the Executive Committee is not in agreement with the ruling made by the Technical Committee, such ruling shall revert back to the Technical Committee with reasons stated. The Technical Committee shall reconsider the ruling. The second ruling, which may be the same as the original ruling, shall be the Technical Committee's Ruling.
3. The Technical Committee ruling shall be final and binding upon the Association, pending review by the IFAA World Council at their next scheduled business meeting. Notice of such rulings will be sent to the Representative of each member by the IFAA Secretary. If the IFAA World Council does not uphold the ruling at their next meeting, the ruling will become automatically null and void. For those rulings that are upheld, the correction - if one is required - should be made in the handbook at its next printing.
4. The IFAA Committee, in reviewing a Technical Committee Ruling, should determine if the ruling is/was correct according to the rules in effect at the time of the ruling.

H. CHANGES TO OPERATING PROCEDURES

Changes to operating procedures will be made only by the President, who will consider the request of the committee chairman or the IFAA World Council to make such a change.

**ARTICLE 3 - NATIONAL FLAGS**

Each IFAA World Council Representative will be responsible for his/her country's flag and to get it to the next tournament

#### **ARTICLE 4 - VERIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP**

At all IFAA tournaments the competing archers will be asked to produce their national membership card at registration, in order to determine their current membership in an IFAA member.

#### **ARTICLE 5 - TECHNICAL CONTROL PERSONNEL**

All IFAA members will have trained Technical Control Personnel to perform bow checks in all relevant equipment divisions at all IFAA tournaments.

#### **ARTICLE 6 - INTERNATIONAL SCORE RECORDER**

The President will create an additional position (non-elective) to be designated as "The International Score Recorder"

#### **ARTICLE 7 - PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE**

It is IFAA policy, and a requirement for hosting both IFAA World and Regional Championship tournaments, that the host National Association provide Public Liability Insurance to cover such events.

The interests of the IFAA are to be recognised in the wording of the cover policy.

#### **ARTICLE 8 – VACANCY IN ELECTED OFFICE**

- A. A vacancy in any elected Office for the IFAA for any reason whatsoever, will be filled in the following manner:
1. If a vacancy occurs, the President shall appoint within four weeks a new Officer of his/her choice.
  2. If a vacancy occurs less than six months before the biannual IFAA Committee meeting, the appointment will be valid for the remainder of the term of office. In all other situations the normal procedures as set out in Article XI section D of the Constitution shall apply, using the same time constraints as set out in the article. (four months).
  3. In the case that the office of the President becomes vacant, The Vice-President will take over the position as President and a new Vice-President will be appointed/elected in accordance with 1. and 2. of this section.
  4. In the case that the office of the Secretary and/or Treasurer becomes vacant, the time limit in 2. above becomes one year.
  5. If an election is required in terms of 2. and 3. above, the Officer appointed by the President will be one of the official nominees for the office.



- B. An office shall be deemed vacant:
1. Upon the death or resignation of the office holder
  2. If the office holder becomes incapable of performing the duties of the office or, has been convicted of a felony in a court having jurisdiction.
  3. If an office holder absents himself/herself from the duties of the office for a period in excess of three (3) months. Absenting oneself means and includes, the non-performance of duties of the office and, the failure to maintain regular contact and response, with the President, other officers and, the Committee, where applicable and/or required.
  4. If the Office holder ceases to be a member of an IFAA member association.
    - a. If a member nation, of which the Office holder is a member, becomes non-affiliated with the IFAA, for whatever reason, the office holder may serve out the remaining portion of his/her term. The Office holder may petition the IFAA Committee for further clarification beyond that point.
  5. All action taken by the President under the provisions of this policy, will be reported to the IFAA Committee on a timely basis.

#### **ARTICLE 9 – TOURNAMENT LEVIES**

- A. A levy will be collected by the IFAA from the proceeds of each World and Regional Championship Tournament. Such levy will be based on the total tournament registration and, based on the advertised fees for each person and the total number of entrants (disregarding late fees).
- B. Within two weeks after the last day of an IFAA sanctioned tournament the host member shall inform the IFAA Secretary of the number of entries in each age group and of the entry fees for each age group to allow the Treasurer to invoice for the sanction levies. Payment of the sanction levies shall be made within 60 (sixty) days after the Treasurer has sent the invoice.  
If such levies have not been paid within the time limit the host may loose the “Goodwill deposit” and membership with the IFAA may be suspended until payment is received.
- B. The levy will be set by the IFAA Committee and may be changed from time to time.
- C. The current levy is 15 percent.

#### **ARTICLE 10 – CHAMPION OF NATIONS COMPETITION**

##### **A. PURPOSE**

To provide a venue in which National Teams may compete against each other for the title “Champion of Nations”. This competition makes use of all IFAA Shooting Styles and allows various strategies in the formation of teams.

## B. ELIGIBILITY

Each member association of the IFAA is eligible to enter a team in the Champion of Nations competition. Team members must be members of the member association under which the team is formed. Adults, both male and female and, Veterans, both male and female, of all IFAA shooting styles, are eligible.

The IFAA Professional and Junior divisions are not eligible.

A registration fee is required.

## C. STYLES

The IFAA shooting styles are divided into seven (7) groups (hereafter, referred to as – Style Groupings) where like or similar styles are grouped together in one grouping:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6	Group 7
AFBH(R)	AFBL	AFBU	AFBB(R)	AFFS(R)	AFFU	AFLB
AMBH(R)	AMBL	AMBU	AMBB(R)	AMFS(R)	AMFU	AMLB
AFBH(C)	VFBL	VFBU	AFBB(C)	AFFS(C)	VFFU	VFLB
AMBH(C)	VMBL	VMBU	AMBB(C)	AMFS(C)	VMFU	VMLB
VFBH(R)			VFBB(R)	VFFS(R)		
VMBH(R)			VMBB(R)	VMFS(R)		
VFBH(C)			VFBB(C)	VFFS(C)		
VMBH(C)			VMBB(C)	VMFS(C)		

One competitor, male or female, is chosen from each style grouping to represent that style group. The selection is left strictly to the nation sponsoring the team. A (full) team consists of seven archers, one from each style grouping. A team of less than seven, may be entered if the nation cannot fill the style slot or, if the nation decides to do so for any reason.

## D. ACCUMULATION OF POINTS

### 1. Individual Points

The individual Champion of Nations teams accumulate points as follows: (For this example, it is assumed there are seven (7) teams entered in the competition). Each day, in each style grouping, the high score in each style grouping will earn 7 points (with seven teams), second will earn 6, third will earn 5 and so on to the lowest score which will earn 1 pt.

(Exceptions occur when there is a tie. EG: first place score is tied by two archers. Both receive 7 points and the rest of the points are distributed 6-5-4-3-2. Or a tie at third place would result in points being distributed - 7-6-5-5-4-3-2. In these cases, the shooters below the tie point end up with a higher score than if the tie did not exist)

### 2. Team totals

At the end of the tournament (each days score for each member is totalled and all team member's totals, are added together). The high team will receive 7 points

followed by 6-5-4-3-2-1-. (Again, ties will improve standings of the teams below the tie point).

3. Medal count

Medal count – Medals earned in overall WFAC competition, by members of teams, will receive points as weighted. Medals – Gold, Silver and, Bronze, earned in regular WFAC competition, are weighted to reflect the attendance at WFAC of varying numbers of teams registered in the “Champion of Nations” competition. The weight of the Gold medal will equal the number of teams participating. In Example: With seven (7) teams entered, the Gold medal will equal 7 points, the Silver will equal 5 points and, the Bronze will equal 3 points. Points will be adjusted to reflect the number of teams if that number is more, or less, than seven (7).

E. STRATEGIES

The Champion of Nations event is a combined effort of all archers. From the overall attendance of archers competing in the styles of WFAC, to each

Champion of Nations Teams, to the individual efforts of each member of the team, each step assists the team in their ultimate victory. It should also be recognised, that the Shooting Styles practised within each individual nation have a great deal to do with success in this competition. In example, a nation which has no recognised Longbow style, will not be able to put forth a full team in this competition.

As one might see, there is room for many varied strategies in forming a team. If a particular shooter cannot bring significant points to a grouping style, it may be outweighed by the fact the shooter may be expected to receive a gold, silver or bronze medal during regular competition in that particular style.

The choices in style grouping allows only one shooter, man or women, from the grouping. In other words, one shooter from the grouping per team. That shooter will compete daily against the other team’s shooter in that grouping. Further, look at the 7th team position - Longbow, AF or AM. In IFAA competition (based on the first three WFAC’S in which the Champion of Nations competition was entered (1996,1998 and 2000) one might expect the NFAA-USA to fill the AMLB position with their three time winner of the competition. Other teams would need to defend against his contribution.

It MAY be that a top women contender in style AFLB would be a good choice IF that women was an odds on favourite to win the AFLB Gold or, faced little competition in the style.

From IFAA’s viewpoint, those nations who are without a given style, are encouraged (through this competition) to develop that style within their nation. (a team member who shoots the tournament, regardless of score, is guaranteed a minimum of 1 point daily-which just might make the difference.

**ARTICLE 11 – COURSES OF INSTRUCTION.**

The IFAA may approve courses of instruction and instruction certification at the request of its member. A committee may be appointed by the President to determine such approval.

## ARTICLE 12 – IFAA APPROVED TARGET FACES

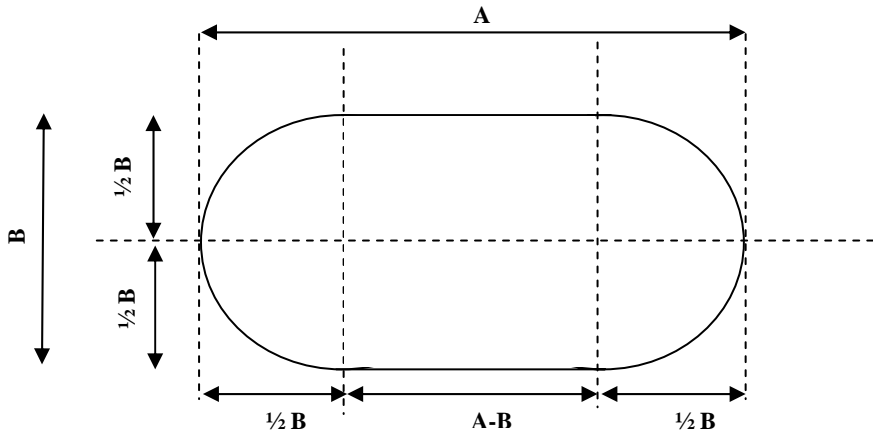
### A. FIELD, HUNTER, INDOOR, ANIMAL AND ALL OTHER APPROVED FACES.

All target faces which have been approved by the IFAA will be reviewed and kept in compliance in the following manner:

1. IFAA World Council Representatives will be notified which target faces are no longer in compliance.
2. Manufacturers or member associations will be notified that they have a period of six months in which to correct the specifications of those target faces found to be in non-compliance with IFAA standards.
3. Target faces not in compliance after the six months deadline, will be declared non-legal and IFAA approval will be withdrawn.
4. The IFAA Secretary will oversee the compliance of all IFAA approved target faces on an annual basis. The Secretary will require a written verification from each member association stating that their target faces continue to be in compliance with IFAA specifications. This will be done annually at the same time as re-affiliation is accomplished.
5. At each three-year period thereafter, target faces will be sent to a designated appointee of the Vice-President, for physical measurement and, re-approval.
6. 3-D targets that have IFAA approval, will be monitored as are paper target faces in the preceding paragraphs except that, 3-D targets will not be sent for inspection.

### A. ANIMAL FACES: SHAPE DEFINITION OF THE HIGH SCORING ZONE

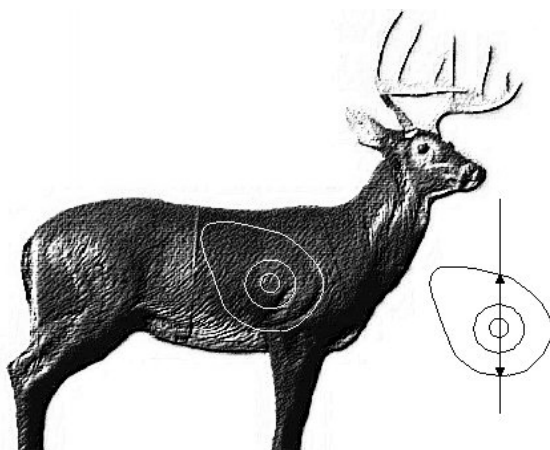
The shape and size of the high scoring zone of the Animal faces is defined as follows, where “A” and “B” will represent the following dimensions:



Group face	Horizontal dimension (A)		Vertical dimension (B)	
	1	368 mm	14.5"	229 mm
2	267 mm	10.5"	178 mm	7.0"
3	178 mm	7.0"	114 mm	4.5"
4	64 mm	2.5"	92 mm	3 5/8"

All dimensions are measurements on the inside of the line that defines the high scoring zone !

B. GROUPING OF 3-D TARGETS



3D targets will be grouped into sizes using the following equation:

Measure the vertical height of the two or three defined score areas/zones through the centre of the score areas/zones, as illustrated.

Having completed such measurement, allocate targets to the following group sizes:

Group size	Dimension	
	Group 1	> 250 mm
Group 2	201 – 250 mm	7 15/16 - 9 7/8 "
Group 3	150 – 200 mm	5 15/16 - 7 7/8 "
Group 4	< 150 mm	< 5 15/16 "

### C. TOLERANCES OF SCORING ZONE DIMENSIONS OF PAPER FACES

1. All measurements of target faces will be taken in both the horizontal and the vertical plane of the target face. Each measurement will be taken through the centre of the target face.
2. A scoring zone is measured from the inside to inside of the relevant dividing line.
3. The maximum tolerance of each scoring zone shall be:

Field and Hunter target faces:

Target size	5 zone	4 zone	3 zone
65 cm	2 mm	3 mm	3 mm
50 cm	1.5 mm	3 mm	3 mm
35 cm	1 mm	3 mm	3 mm
20 cm	1 mm	2 mm	3 mm

Animal faces, high scoring zone:

Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4
3 mm	3 mm	2 mm	1 mm

Indoor faces:

Target size	5 zone	4 zone	3 zone	2 zone	1 zone
40 cm	1 mm	2 mm	2.5 mm	3 mm	3 mm
16 cm (five spot)	1 mm	2 mm			

### **ARTICLE 13 – IFAA WORLD MAIL MATCHES**

1. IFAA World Mail match is open to all non-professional archers
2. Divisions :  
Veteran (Age 55 and older) (No classes)  
Adult (Age 17 and older) (Classes A, B and C)  
Junior (Age 13-16) (Classes A, B and C)  
Cub (Age 10-13) (No Classes)
3. Equipment and styles:  
All IFAA Styles are recognised
4. Dates :  
IFAA World Field Mail match: 1 May through to 31 August  
IFAA World Indoor Mail match: 1 December through to 31 March
5. Rounds:  
IFAA World Field Mail match :   1<sup>st</sup> : IFAA Field Round (1 May to 30 June)  
                                                  2<sup>nd</sup> : IFAA Hunter Round (1 July to 31 July)  
                                                  3<sup>rd</sup> : IFAA Animal Round (1 Aug to 31 Aug)  
IFAA World Indoor Mail match :   1<sup>st</sup> : IFAA Indoor Round (1 Dec to 31 Jan)  
                                                  2<sup>nd</sup> : IFAA Indoor Round (1 Feb to 28 Feb)  
                                                  3<sup>rd</sup> : IFAA Indoor Round (1 Mar to 31 Mar)

6. Registration: registration must be done:  
 IFAA World Field Mail Match: before 06 July  
 IFAA World Indoor Mail Match: before 06 February.
7. Scores must be transmitted not later than:
 

1 <sup>st</sup> : IFAA Field Round	: 06 July
2 <sup>nd</sup> : IFAA Hunter Round	: 06 August
3 <sup>rd</sup> : IFAA Animal Round	: 06 September
1 <sup>st</sup> : IFAA Indoor Round	: 06 February
2 <sup>nd</sup> : IFAA Indoor Round	: 06 March
3 <sup>rd</sup> : IFAA Indoor Round	: 06 April

## ARTICLE 14 – CROSS MEMBERSHIP OF INDIVIDUAL ARCHERS

This section serves only as a statement of recommendation and guidance for the members of the IFAA.

1. The problems that may occur as a result of a member or members accepting individuals that reside in another nation that already has an IFAA member, are considered National in nature.
2. The IFAA cannot dictate to its members in the matter of who they may, or may not, accept as their members.
3. Each IFAA member should handle these problems within its own Constitution/By-Laws or Rules by indicating therein, its rights to accept or refuse non-resident individuals as it sees fit.
4. Each IFAA member which desires that citizens of their country are not allowed membership of another IFAA member, must request (through the IFAA Secretary) that its wishes are respected and that no other IFAA member accept its nationals. It must be noted that this action does not prohibit an IFAA member from accepting whomever it desires as a member.
5. It is the privilege of each IFAA member to define what rights of national association membership are afforded to each of its members.
6. It is the privilege of all IFAA members to enter into mutual agreements with other IFAA members to define their membership policies and conditions.
7. The IFAA will continue to honour their member's individual members who hold national membership. In the case of individuals who have been denied membership or, have been expelled from membership in their national association, the IFAA will forward such notification to that effect to its members, upon receipt of such notice, with its recommendation of non-acceptance of that individual.

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### DOUBLE CUT RISER

The use of the “double cut” riser is legal for all shooting styles.



### “NO-PEEP”

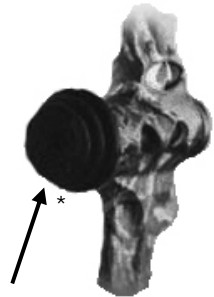
The use of the “no-peep” and other similar devices is illegal for all the Bowhunter shooting styles. Archers who register in these styles in an IFAA event will be classified in the relevant Freestyle styles.

### PEARSON G2 BOW

The Pearson G2 type bows are legal in all compound bow styles.

The part of the rubber insert that protrudes from the front of the riser (\*) is part of the stabiliser and shall be included in the measurement of the length of the stabiliser.

Archers in the Bowhunter styles may have to reduce the length or their current stabiliser to comply with the regulatory maximum length stipulated fore these styles.





## HOSTING AND STAGING AN IFAA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP Procedures and Requirements

The following procedures and requirements shall apply to hosting IFAA sanctioned World or Regional events.

### A. The bidding process.

#### 1. Bid time frames

- a. Bids will be accepted from members according to the established rotation of regions.
- b. Preliminary bids shall be submitted to the Executive Council at least four years preceding the year to which the bid applies. The host member shall be determined at that time.
- c. Final bid presentation shall be submitted to the World Council at least two years preceding the year to which the bid applies
- d. In the absence of preliminary bids of the established rotational sequence, the President shall invite bids from members in other regions. In the event that no preliminary bids are received from such source, the President shall enter negotiations to establish a host country.

#### 2. Preliminary bids

The member's preliminary bid shall include and address:

- a. The bid deposit fee
- b. Proposed dates for the event and schedule of activity programme
- c. Proposed venue of the event
- d. An overview of venue facilities, which shall include:
  - i. The anticipated number of ranges to be provided
  - ii. Practice facilities
  - iii. Location of ranges in relation to accommodation and event administrative centre.
  - iv. Event administration centre, including registration and equipment inspection facilities
  - v. Accommodation, including hotel, camping, as well as parking facilities etc. together with estimated costs for each style of accommodation.
  - vi. Distance of venue from overseas entry points and local transport facilities with estimated costs at time of bid.
  - vii. Opening and closing ceremony facilities
  - viii. Catering facilities, both on and off the ranges
  - ix. World Council meeting facilities
  - x. First aid arrangements and nearest hospital facilities
  - xi. Local climatic conditions
  - xii. Proposed registration fees.

### 3. Final bid presentation

The final bid presentation shall review and update all aspects of the preliminary bid and shall address any changes to the initial proposal. Any such changes shall be subject to the World Council's acceptance.

The final bid presentation shall further include full details of the event public liability insurance and amount of cover to be provided. Such insurance may be an extension of the host's insurance policy or a separate cover. In either case the Association and the officers shall be identified as a party to the policy

While certain matters may subsequently require further attention by the host and the Executive Council, the date and venue for the event shall not be altered, unless exceptional circumstances demand such alterations. (i.e. Withdrawal by the designated host, natural disasters, safety of participants, etc)

### B. Lead time administration

1. On acceptance of the final bid presentation by the World Council, the host member shall:
  - a. Finalise all information that needs to be distributed to the members and for advertising purposes.
  - b. Not later than three months after final bid acceptance distribute all information, including registration forms and tourist information, e.g. Hotel accommodation, camping, vehicle hire, etc. to the members and the Executive Council.
  - c. Establish an internet web site for the event and e-mail address. The content of such event web site shall be subject to the Executive Council's perusal.
  - d. Establish electronic registration facilities.
  - e. Arrange and confirm accommodation requirements for the officers of the Executive Council.
2. The host member shall submit such reports, as may be required from time to time by the Vice-President, as to the progress of the preparations for staging the event and to address any other matters that may arise.
3. Not later than six months before the event a topographic map of 1:2500 scale, showing existing roads and tracks, with the layout of the ranges with targets, and other facilities shall be given to the Vice-President for his/her perusal.

### C. Preparation check list

The host shall make up a preparation check list, which shall include but is not limited to the following items:

1. Accommodation
  - a. Hotel/motel/caravan park accommodation in close vicinity of ranges
  - b. Suitable camping facilities in close vicinity of the ranges with acceptable ratio for camper to toilets/shower/laundry etc facilities as well as adequate safety and security.

## 2. Ranges

- a. Number of ranges
- b. Number of ranges for cubs (if not combined with “adult” ranges)
- c. Trails to be clearly marked
- d. Clearly visible “entry” and “exit” points as well as additional warning signs
- e. Portable toilets, number of and quality
- f. Refreshment areas
- g. Adequate number of IFAA approved target faces or 3D targets
- h. Adequate number of approved score cards
- i. Markers: quality, visibility, number, correct information, etc
- j. Butts: size and material
- k. Approval of Field Captain and Range Captains by the Vice-president. Each range shall have Range Captain.
- l. Communication on the ranges and minimum number of Range assistants required for a smooth running of the event.
- m. Practice range:
  - i. Lay-out and safety
  - ii. Practice range marshal.
  - iii. Vicinity to ranges and administration centre.
- n. First Aid

## 3. Registration

- a. Registration area to be separate from the main entertainment area
- b. Executive Council facilities to inspect validity of IFAA membership
- c. Well marked central position to return and receive score cards.
- d. A working (tested) scoring programme
- e. Adequate scoring forms
- f. Communication with ranges

## 4. Equipment inspection.

- a. There shall be at least one equipment inspector, approved by the Vice-president, per 150 participants.
- b. Each inspector shall have a copy of the latest IFAA Book of Rules and acceptable measuring equipment.
- c. At least one tachometer (speed meter) for measuring arrow speed.

## 5. Central administration and entertainment area

- a. A display board to show position and lay-out of the ranges
- b. Canteen, mess hall or tent facilities for meals and drinks
- c. Display boards for notices, progressive scores, shooting groups, etc.
- d. Facilities for archery shops, etc
- e. Supply an adequate number of flag poles
- f. Supply a public address system
- g. Toilet and washing-up facilities

- h. Lost and found area
- i. Communication with ranges
- j. First Aid post and communication with medical doctors/hospitals
- k. Entertainment during the event

6. IFAA facilities

- a. Meeting facilities with adequate table area and chairs to seat at least 25-30 people
- b. Tables to be placed in “U” shape
- c. Copying facilities
- d. Printing facilities
- e. Phone/fax and e-mail facilities
- f. Private area for Disciplinary/Protest hearing facilities
- g. Separate notice board

7. Award ceremony

- a. Banquet, or alternative arrangements, and related costs.
- b. Table arrangements for trophies and medals
- c. PA system
- d. Facilities for guests and IFAA Officers. The IFAA Secretary to be notified of the names of the guests prior to the ceremony.

8. Sale of memorabilia

- a. Approval by the Executive Council to use the IFAA logo
- b. Approval by the Executive Council of the event logo
- c. Commission to the IFAA for the use of the IFAA logo.

D. During the event

- 1. Provide a list of competitors, showing the member country, to each World Council representative or nominated representative, prior to the shoot , to verify competitor membership.
- 2. Ensure that the Representative of the hosting member will be available to attend the World Council meeting.
- 3. Ensure that classification cards, or other official document of classification, of competitors are checked against the nominated classification. If such classification cannot be verified the competitor shall be classified as “A” class.
- 4. Produce a daily print-out of the updated scores. One copy shall be presented to each World Council Representative and at least one copy shall be posted on the notice board.
- 5. Final scores will be displayed before the Award Ceremony.

6. Agree with the IFAA Treasurer the IFAA portion of the registration fees.

E. After the event

Review all aspects of hosting the event and make submission to the IFAA Secretary for consideration of any changes to the policy statement which may produce any improvements to the process or procedures.

F. Sponsorship

The IFAA recognises the following sponsorships:

1. Sponsorship that includes naming rights for the event.  
No host is permitted to enter into arrangements for sponsorship that include the renaming of the event. Authority for arrangement of such sponsorship lies with the Executive Council and final approval of such an arrangement will lie with the World Council. All income derived from such arrangement shall vest with the IFAA.
2. International sponsors  
The host may make arrangements for international sponsorship. Approval of such an arrangement will lie with the Executive Council, who will also determine what part of the income of such sponsorship shall vest with the IFAA.
3. Local sponsors  
The host may make arrangements for local sponsorship provided that there will be no conflict of interest between this sponsor and the international sponsor.  
The income of such sponsorship shall vest with the host.
4. Team or individual sponsors  
Arrangements for team and individual sponsorship can be made by any team or individual. Such sponsorship shall be permitted provided the terms of such arrangement do not cause a conflict of interests with the international or local sponsors.