



2021 INDOOR ARCHERY WORLD SERIES

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1. Introduction

The Indoor Archery World Series returns for the 2021 season but, due to the ongoing worldwide pandemic, it will be run as a combination of online and smaller live events. The goal is to include as many athletes around the world as possible, both those who have access to events under current health restrictions and archers in countries where this is not yet permitted.

There will be no elite ranking for the 2021 Indoor Archery World Series. A modified version of the team event will be run and this will be the focus of the elite competition.

2. Format

- 18 metres
- 60-arrow ranking round
- Any 40cm official target face¹ - Where 10 for recurve is the 4cm diameter ring and 10 for compound is the 2 cm diameter ring.
 - o Single spot
 - o Triple spot (vertical)
 - o Triple spot (triangular)

3. Calendar

- **Stage 1:** 21-22 November 2020
- **Stage 2:** 18-20 December 2020
- **Stage 3:** 15-17 January 2021
- **Stage 4:** 12-14 February 2021
- **Final (teams only):** 27-28 February 2021

The Nîmes Tournament, which was initially scheduled to take place to coincide with stage three, was postponed to 29-31 January. It will now be held as a separate bonus live event and participants' scores will automatically be included for the open ranking however no corresponding online event will take place.

4. Participation

Any athlete who is a member of a World Archery member association (national archery federation) may participate. Each member association will have eight days to contest a result or notify World Archery if an athlete is not a valid member, following the publishing of a result list.

Athletes can participate in three ways:

- At home (or from a club or range that is not holding a registered event).
- At an event registered in the World Archery calendar.
- At an official live event.

Athletes must always start their round with a new target face and not share their target face for the round.

4.1 Participating at home

Any individual athlete can register to the monthly online competition through OpenWAREOS and shoot 60-arrow scores from their home range, club or shop. Scoring will be completed through the Ianseo Scorekeeper application and on paper. A paper scoresheet will be emailed to each athlete and it will require the signatures of two witnesses.

¹ Licensed manufacturers: <https://worldarchery.org/licensed-manufacturers>
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There will be competition sessions held in three time zones:

- Americas (UTC-5)
- Europe and Africa (UTC+1)
- Asia and Oceania (UTC+8)

Each athlete will choose the most appropriate timezone and the result must be shot, recorded and submitted on the relevant weekend in the relevant timezones. The competition begins at 0800 on Friday and ends at 2000 on Sunday.

Athletes will be required to submit a picture of their scorecard as well as a picture of all target faces used during the scoring round. The picture of the target face must display the brand of the face and its World Archery license.

4.2 Participating at a registered event²

Any athlete shooting at an event registered in the World Archery calendar must also register for the online competition through OpenWAREOS and submit scores through the lanseo Scorekeeper application, however they will not be required to submit pictures of their target or scoresheet.

Athletes participating in the team event must shoot their scores at a registered event. Where possible, national federations and clubs are encouraged to register events during the remote competition weekends so that athletes can compete in official environments.

Events can register for the World Archery calendar using the [standard procedure](#).

4.3 Participating at an official live event

The scores of athletes competing in the following official live events will be automatically included in the relevant month. These running of these events is subject to approval from local authorities.

- **Stage 1:** 22 November – Wohlen, Switzerland
- **Stage 2:** 19-20 December – Lausanne, Switzerland
- ~~**Stage 3:** 15-17 January – Lausanne, Switzerland³~~
- **Bonus stage:** 29-31 January – Nîmes, France
- **Stage 4:** 10-14 February – TBC

The Nîmes Tournament, which was initially scheduled to be the third live event, was postponed to 29-31 January. It will now be held as a separate bonus stage and participants' scores will automatically be included for the open ranking.

5. Open ranking (individual)

Rankings for the following competition categories will be compiled. There will be no separate rankings issued for age groups.

² Book 2 Article 4.8.2.1.

In order to obtain official recognition, tournaments shall conform to the standards of organisation set out in the appropriate articles in respect of:

- Registration;
- Announcement or invitations;
- Participation of athletes from other Member Associations;
- Order of shooting (target/group list);
- Judging;
- Publication of results.

³ Cancelled due to Switzerland regulation on COVID-19 pandemic



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- Barebow women
- Barebow men
- Compound women
- Compound men
- Recurve women
- Recurve men

Athletes will be ranked on the aggregate of their best three scores.

A maximum of one score can be registered per weekend of the Indoor Archery World Series. (Athletes may only register once per weekend through OpenWAREOS.) Athletes may not compete in an official live event and register a second time through OpenWAREOS and, if this does occur, the live event result will be taken.

6. Team event

Team events for the following competition categories will be held.

- Compound team
- Recurve team

Teams must consist of the following.

- Three athletes.
- At least one athlete of each gender (male/female).

Each athlete may only be a member of one team in each of the competition categories. (An athlete may participate in both a compound and recurve team.)

Teams can record a result during each of the four stages if any of the team's athletes participate at a registered event or official live event. Athletes do not need to register their score at the same venue (however it is encouraged).

Any scores recorded by athletes participating at home will not be counted for the team event.

6.1 Team registration

Teams are registered by purchasing an entry through the World Archery online [shop](#) by midnight CET on 31 December 2020. Detailed registration information will then be collected by email. Scores made after registration only will be taken for ranking.

Each team registration costs 60 CHF for the season.

6.2 Team ranking

Teams will be ranked on their best team scores, provided that team registration form was submitted before the event.

The four teams at the top of the ranking in each division after the fourth stage will be invited to take part in the Indoor Archery World Series Finals at the end of the season. In order to participate, the team must be able to compete at the same location (as the event will be run and broadcast remotely).



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If the team cannot meet this requirement, the next team in the ranking will be invited to the Indoor Archery World Series Finals. (Each team will be given no less than 24 hours to respond to an invitation to the Finals.)

6.3 Team finals

The team final will be shot remotely using a unique competition format. The schedule will be as follows (this is subject to change). Finalists will be required at least one hour prior to the final and each finals session is expected to take approximately three hours.

- Saturday 27 February 2021 at 1600 CET: Compound finals
- Sunday 28 February 2021 at 1600 CET: Recurve finals

The team final round will take the following format.

- The teams will be seeded into a semifinal bracket according to ranking.
- The bracket will be decided in head-to-head knockout format using “games”.
- Three games will be held: two semifinals and final. (No third-fourth place match will be held.)
- The winner of each semifinal game will advance to the final, the loser will be eliminated.
- The winner of the final game will be the Indoor Archery World Series Champion.

The games will use the following format.

- A game will consist of four matches:
 - Three individual matches.
 - One team match.
- The result of the team match will decide the outcome of the game.
- The results of the individual matches affect the starting score of the team match (handicap system).
 - A win provides one bonus point to the team of the winning archer.
 - A draw provides one bonus point to both teams.

The individual matches will use the following format.

- Each match consists of 12 arrows and uses cumulative scoring.
- Athletes will shoot four ends of three, alternating athletes after each arrow. (No hard time limit will be applied however archers will be required to shoot at a normal finals pace.)
- There is no tiebreak procedure. (A draw remains a draw.)

The team matches will use the following format.

- Each match consists of 12 arrows and uses cumulative scoring.
- Teams will shoot four ends of three, one per archer, alternating teams after each arrow. (No hard time limit will be applied however archers will be required to shoot at a normal finals pace.)
- The match will not start at a score of 0-0 but reflect the bonus points accrued by the two teams over the three individual matches in the game.
- If both teams are tied on score after 12 arrows, there is a tiebreak.
 - The result of the match (and the game) is decided by a single-arrow shoot-off.
 - Only one arrow per team is shot.
 - Each team nominates the athlete that will participate in the tiebreak.
 - The arrow that lands closest to the centre of the target wins the tiebreak.

Before participating in the Indoor Archery World Series Finals, each team will be required to supply the name of a team captain. This person will be responsible for the following.

- Providing a shooting order for the individual matches in the semifinals to competition management (which will remain secret until revealed live).
 - The deadline for submission will be communicated to the teams in advance of the event.
 - If no order is submitted, the reverse order of ranking (open ranking) will be used. In case of a tie in ranking, a coin toss will resolve the order.

All matches at the Indoor Archery World Series Finals will use custom triangular triple-spot 40cm faces that conform to World Archery rules (2cm 10-ring for compound, 4cm 10-ring for recurve), except for the following.

- All matches will use target faces with one 12-point ring.
- Archers must declare if they will attempt the 12-point ring before shooting.
- If an archer hits the 12-point ring without declaring their intention, they will score eight points.
- The 12-point ring will not be used in the tiebreak procedure.

Unless otherwise mentioned here, the World Archery rules apply. Additional requirements, processes or guidelines may be issued before the Indoor Archery World Series Finals to facilitate their successful broadcast.

6.4 Team prizes

A minimum total pay-out of 5.000 CHF (Swiss francs) is guaranteed for each competition category.

The final position for the top four teams will be determined by the results of the Indoor Archery World Series Finals. For the fifth and sixth positions, the prize money will be allocated to the highest-ranked teams that do not appear at the Indoor Archery World Series Finals.

Position	1-10 teams	11+ teams
First	50%	45%
Second	30%	25%
Third (x2)	10% each	10% each
Fifth		6%
Sixth		4%

7. Legal Framework

The 2021 Indoor Archery World Series and the *Indoor Archery World Series Rules* follow all provisions set out in the *World Archery Constitution and Rules* unless explicitly detailed. In case of any misunderstanding due to translation of these rules, the English version will be referred to.

World Archery and the organisers reserve the rights to change these rules at any time.

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