



FITA Information

Congress

We would like to draw your attention to the fact that Congress will be held on **13-14th September 2001**. There will be no open Pre-Congress meetings as announced on the invitation of the Organisers. There have been other dates published but this is the correct date.

We remind once more that all candidates for elections at Congress have to submit a CV-form as sent to the Member Associations. The form has to be signed by the Member Association submitting the candidature (this is in most cases the member association to which the candidate belongs but this is not mandatory). The candidate also has to submit proof of Membership of the Member Association to which he belongs which can be in the following manners:

- by a signature of the form by his Member Association confirming that the candidate is member
- or by submitting a photocopy of the membership card
- or a letter from the member association confirming the membership.

World Championships Beijing

We request that all Member Association sending delegates or participants send passport photographs to the FITA office for their accreditation. Archers and/or officials that had an accreditation card in Florence with picture will be able to use the same accreditation card in Beijing and are requested to bring this one with them. Delegations that have not send their pictures in time, might have some delays in getting their accreditation card. The deadline for receipt of the pictures is the 5th September.

New bank account

IMPORTANT INFORMATION !

Please take note that the FITA bank account is not anymore at the UBS SA in Lausanne, but as of today at the BCV, Banque Cantonale Vaudoise in Lausanne.

Coordinates of the bank are as follows :

Banque Cantonale Vaudoise
Pl. St-François 14
1003 Lausanne
Swift Code : BCVLCH2L
CHF Account : Nr. 5017.34.47
USD Account : No. 5017.34.48
Clearing : 767

Please make sure that only the above-mentioned accounts will be used in the future for all payments. We remind that cheques should be sent to the FITA office and not to the bank directly.

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Interpretations

C&R Committee Interpretation nr. 1

The following question was raised by Archery Australia:

Is a Recurve Bow with compound accessories allowed to compete in the Compound Division and gain FITA awards?

The C&R Committee is unanimous in its opinion that according to articles 4.3.1; 7.3.1 and 7.3.3 the recurve division and the compound division are two separate divisions and compete in separate events. The compound division is not an open division. The compound bow is clearly defined in 7.3.3.1, the recurve bow is described in article 7.3.1.1. According to these rules competitors with recurve bows can only compete in FITA events and gain FITA awards or FITA records in their own division using equipment as described in article 7.3.1.

Different equipment does not make a recurve bow a compound bow, and therefore it may only be used in non-FITA events.

C&R Committee Interpretation nr.2

At the request of a council member certain questions were asked on the affiliation of FITA Member Associations to other archery organisations. The C&R Committee has summarised its interpretation in 3 statements.

1. FITA acknowledges the existence of other archery organisations (see article 1.3.22). FITA has an objective to co-operate with other federations that practice archery, or with other Archery Federations and if possible eventually reach integration.
2. A FITA Member Association can, if necessary, join other Archery Federation in addition to its membership to FITA.
3. A FITA Member Association can, regardless of the above, organize national or international 3D Championships following IBO rules and award titles that are not recognised by FITA as an official title. The dates of these events can be published along with FITA events in one and the same calendar of Archery events at national level.

Clarification from C&R

FITA will accept records shot as part of an Olympic round if that part belongs to a registered world

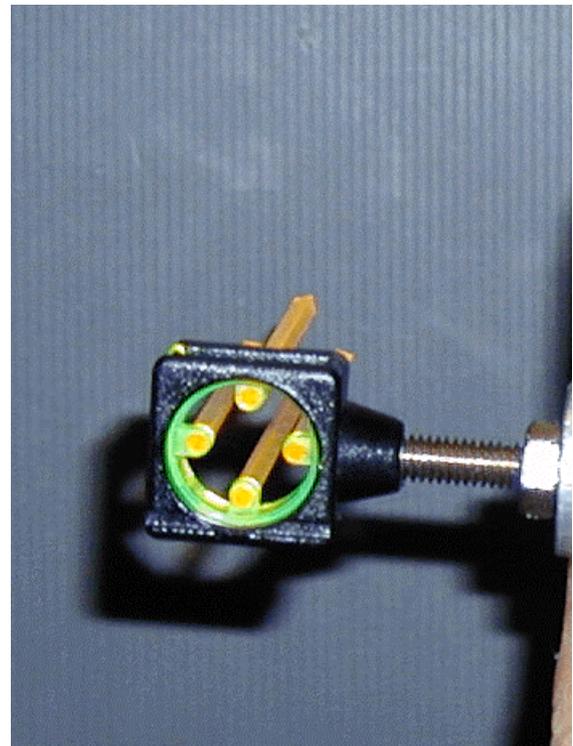
record tournament. Therefore if there are, for example, only 20 participants, the archers can shoot a world record for the 1/8th Elimination and so on. Matches with Byes are not valid for world records since there is no opponent.

Technical Committee Interpretation nr.1

It is the unanimous opinion of the FITA Technical Committee that the Beiter sight tunnel with **multiple** optical fiber pins (four in total) or any long sighting device is not legal under the current rules for the recurve division as it represents an additional aid in aiming. It is allowed for the compound division. Due to the length of the sight pin/s, the sight is capable of being used for displaying torsional effects of the bow and in doing so, represents an easily perceived front and rear sighting plane.

Any sight consisting of a tube, hood, tunnel or any extended component with a single or multiple pin arrangement and which extend more than 2 cm is not legal for the recurve division. The maximum depth of the sight tube, hood or tunnel (circular, square or other geometry) for the recurve division not including an optional single optical fiber pin is 2cm.

Note: Only a single optical fiber pin is allowed for recurve archery. The optical fiber pin should not give an additional point of aiming and therefore only the illuminated dot shall be visible at full draw. A single long sight pin over 2 cm in length (as in fiber optical pin) which is attached or ends outside the archers line of sight at full draw is legal.



Beiter sight tunnel with multiple optical fiber pins.

Technical Committee Interpretation nr. 2

In Response to the question posed by Archery New Zealand, the FITA Technical Committee offers the following opinion.

Although the current rule as written under article 7.3.1.7 and 7.3.3.7 indicates that "arrows shall not exceed 9.3 mm" and that an arrow consists of a shaft, point, nock and fletching, the article is not practical in reference to the point of the arrow. Therefore, the point should not be considered in the 9.3 mm limitation. Under actual shooting conditions, the point of the arrow provides more than a single function. Not only must the point create a path in the target buttress for the arrow shaft to follow, the point must also offer protection to the shaft. To adequately protect the shaft, the point must be slightly larger in diameter. The point must be large enough to offer wear resistance for the shaft and, in the case of carbon arrows, it must offer protection to the carbon to prevent end peeling and splintering of the shaft to avoid a potential danger to the archer. Additionally, for practical reasons, it is a benefit to have the point slightly larger than the shaft for pulling the arrows from many of the currently manufactured target buttresses.

In some cases where the buttress material is very tight or dense, the slightly larger point helps reduce frictional bonding of the shaft to the buttress and allows the shaft to be more easily extracted from the target.

However, the point must also not be so large that it creates undue damage to the target and buttress upon impact. In this regard, the FITA Technical Committee feels that a maximum tolerance must be applied to the point as well as what is indicated for the shaft. **Our committee feels that a maximum point dimension of 9.4 mm is adequate to protect shafts of 9.3 mm and not create undue damage to targets.**

In regard to what shafts are legal under the 9.3 mm diameter limit, this would include all shafts of 23 diameter except the 2317. Shafts currently produced in the 23 size category and legal under the 9.3 mm rule are the 23-12, 23-13, 23-14 and 23-15.

Target Archery Committee interpretation nr. 1

May the 15 cm minimum distance (article 8.1.4) between vertical rows of 40cm indoor target faces be reduced if circumstances require this? If yes is there a limit beyond which the distance may not be reduced? Are there other conditions that must be respected? (Uniform target arrangement on the targetline)

"TAC considers the rule in question is the norm to be respected regarding target set up. However,

should there be extraordinary circumstances that require some adjustments re the width between the vertical rows of faces, such adjustments will not lead to any changes of the tournament status. The tournament judges will, in such cases, take the necessary steps in the best interest of the archers."

FITA@70

We offer to our Member Associations the possibility to purchase the [FITA@70](#) banners as they were shown in Florence. (see picture)

We have had many requests and we ask each member which is interested to buy one of these banners to send to the FITA office before the 15th June their requests.



The cost of the banners will be 125 US\$ +p&p

The banners are 3m * 0.95m

We will also send you the next month a catalogue of merchandising items that will be produced at the occasion of the [FITA@70](#) anniversary and which will be sold to our member associations if there is enough demand...

Olympic Solidarity

In addition to the FITA Info Nr. 12, please find attached the 2001-2004 Olympic Solidarity Programs which is also accessible on our website.

Various

FITA thanks the following donors of Equipment for DTAC activities : Asahi; BCY; Angel; WinWin; Hoyt; Arizona Archery Entreprises; Beiter and Easton.

Calendar

2001

22-27 May	Mexican Olympic Festival	Alameda Oriente (MEX)
23-26 May	European Junior Cup	Wyhl (GER)
25-30 May	Asian Archery Circuit – 4th Korea Int'l Archery Tournament	Seoul (KOR)
20-23 June	European Grand Prix - 2nd leg	Antalya (TUR)
30 June –7 July	XIX Torneo Batalla de Carabobo	Valencia (VEN)
18-24 June	Oceania Pacific Cup	Tahiti (FPO)
11-14 July	European Junior Cup	Nymburk (CZE)
16 - 22 July	European Field Archery Championships	Zelezna Ruda (CZE)
25-28 July	European Grand Prix - Final	St.Petersburg (RUS)
30 July - 3 Aug.	117th National Outdoor Archery Championships	Canton (USA)
17-19 August	World Games (Field Archery event)	Akita (JPN)
28 Aug - 2 Sept	European Junior Championships	Porec (CRO)
16-22 September	XLI World Outdoor Target Championships	Beijing (PR China)
(T.D. Pascal Colmaire)		
November	VII Central American Games	Guatemala

NB : World Ranking Tournaments are indicated in bold characters.

2002

30 July – 1 Aug.	Small European States Games	Luxembourg (LUX)
9-14 Sept.	XVIII World Field Championships (T.D. Per Bolstad)	Canberra (AUS)
5-10 Oct.	Masters Games (T.D. Carole Hicks)	Melbourne (AUS)

2005

14-24 July	World Games	Duisburg (GER)
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Member Associations wishing to organise World Championships that are not yet allocated are requested to contact the FITA office.

We have received a bid from Sweden for the 2006 World Field Championships. A decision on this championship will be taken in the Beijing Congress. We also are awaiting candidatures for the following championships :

2002 World Junior Outdoor Target Archery Championships
 2003 World Indoor Target Archery Championships
 2003 World Outdoor Target Archery Championships and Olympic Qualifier
 2004 World Field Championships Championships
 2004 World Junior Outdoor Championships

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