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1. Editorial

by Morten Wilmann, Chairman

Dear Judges,

We have just finished our Judge Conference in Asia, being held in Bangkok 4-5 November with 35 judges from Asia, Africa and Oceania. This number of judges indicates that some judges from these continents will still need to meet up with the Europeans in Lausanne next year.

Unfortunately, we again had to point out that major mistakes have been made in important events during 2017 – and therefore three judges have been suspended for a period of 2 years. We also gave two tests during the conference, and some of the results brought new worries to your Committee. Simply speaking, they were far from good enough.

The Conference sessions were conducted by Sergio and myself, and by one of our ad-hoc members, Indranil DATTA. In fact, I am happy to say that our two ad-hoc members, Indranil and Sabrina STEFFENS, have contributed a lot to our work as the committee. You will find in this newsletter the minutes from a conference as taken by Pecilius TAN.

Dion BUGAHAR, who was a member of our Committee since 2007, has resigned from his position in our Committee due to personal and health problems. Along the ten years he served in our Committee, Dion was very active as a presenter in our seminars and conferences. He took care of the judges' guidebook, and contributed his pedagogical expertise to drafting a number of exams we have used for educational purposes. He played a key role in putting together power point presentations most of you have probably used to carry out local seminars in your countries. Dion will be missed in our Committee, but he will continue being an international judge.

After Dion's resignation, World Archery has appointed Robert ERICA (NED) as an ad-hoc Committee Member.

As the end of the year is fast approaching, I take the opportunity to wish you all the best of happiness and success in 2018.

All the best to all of you.
Morten

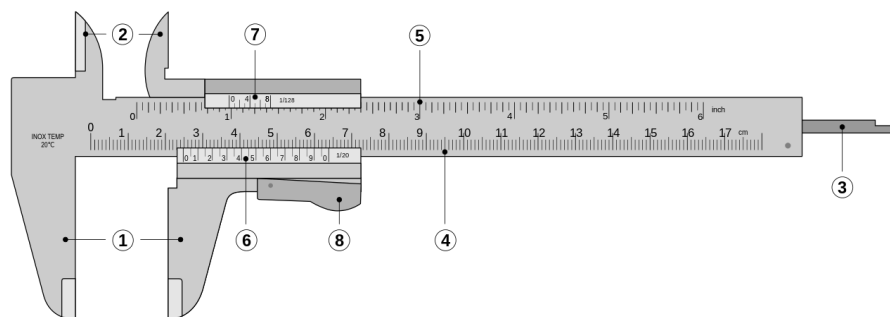


2. Judge's conference in Bangkok, 4-5 November 2017

For your information, here are the minutes of the Conference, as taken by International Judge Pecilius TAN (SIN).

1. The conference began with opening addresses by Mr. Sanguan KOSAVINTA (WA Vice President), Ms. Severine DERIAZ (from the WA Office), and Mr. Morten WILMANN, followed by a minute of silence for Mr. Simon WEE who had recently passed away.
2. Introduction of new committee members Sabrina STEFFENS and Indranil DATTA by Morten.
3. An Initial Test was administered to find out if there are any specific areas of concern that the committee should address. It was known as a survey before, as the participants did not need to write down their names. However, this anonymousness limits the follow-up actions of the survey. The purpose of the test is to understand the areas of concern for individual judges which then may be addressed by the committee as a whole or before their next appointed tournament by their CoJ.
4. Next, Morten presented on appointments, on how the committee makes decisions on judge appointments, specific requirements that judges have to fulfill in order to be appointed for duty, such as replying to case studies, and other constraints/limitations/rules faced by the committee in the placement of judges. The rationale behind judges having to choose the tournament in their own continent first was because there was a lack of judges choosing tournaments in their own continents.
5. Following that, Morten presented on high draws. WA's feedback is that judges had not been observing high draws. Results of experiments conducted on various degrees of draw on compound bow was shared. CoJ should include in their reports a list of archers who have such unsafe methods of drawing their bow, as WA wishes to know and may track archers with high draws. Side draws are also a concern when spectators are seated on the sides along the finals field of play.
6. Indranil presented on bylaws and interpretations passed during WA Congress , which will be in effect from 1 April 2018.
 - a. Losing archer/team may decide if archer/team is going to shoot the last arrow when archer/team thinks he/she/team can no longer win the match. However, the Judges Committee needs to brainstorm through the procedures and practical implementation of it before 1st April 2018.
 - b. The rationale of second arrow shoot off for individual match play: to eliminate the possibility of winning due to chance. A question was raised asking if the new rule is applicable for shoot offs for entrance into eliminations.

7. Morten presented case studies to be discussed amongst judges. In these case studies there were various pictures of equipment used by archers.
8. Sergio presented on the results of the morning's test. 19 participants scored below 85%, and this is a worrying result. 25.5 out of 29 (85%) is required to stay relevant and informed as a judge. Judges who scored below were reminded that they should read up and refresh their rules.
9. Next Sergio presented on attitudes of judges.
 - a. Judges' approach on attending a tournament as a judge: it is okay to ask questions, clarify doubts if the judge is unsure. For example, a judge is interested in field/3D but has not attended any field/3D events before and chooses to go. They should prepare a list of questions, arm themselves with the right attitude of learning, find time to learn before tournament and clarify any doubts with the CoJ.
10. Sergio presented on mistakes made by judges in recent tournaments due to unprofessional attitude and lack of understanding of rules.
 - a. It is important to practice using judging equipment and not to come to a tournament with a brand new equipment which one has not used before. For example, the use of a caliper to measure closest-to-center arrows.
 - b. It would be advisable to ask another judge to assist with the shoot-off should the line judge realise that he/she forgot to bring his/her own caliper, rather than to borrow the judging equipment which may be unfamiliar to use.
 - c. Deduction of scores when this deduction is not stated in the rules book.
 - d. DoS was not familiar with the use of DoS equipment.
 - e. Arrows left on the shooting line/on the ground during team event is not a violation, the intention of the yellow card is against time advantages gained by archers.



11. Indranil presented on the available judge training aids on the World Archery website, updating on existing presentations as some of them are old and outdated, and asked for feedback on new presentations as well as new ideas for training aids. The following were some suggested ideas/feedback:

- a. Venue layout guidelines, for construction of field of plays.
- b. Friendly mobile/websites design: there was feedback that the rule books were not able to display correctly from mobile devices, no issue when accessed from tablet.
- c. A central repository for all judging matters.
- d. Constant updating of equipment that is not allowed into a file that is being constantly updated, should new equipment be found to be illegal, or vice versa.
- e. Chronological order on bylaws and interpretations, by date of changes.
- f. Date changed in the file name, to reflect the date of change, so judges can see instantly the new bylaws/interpretations.

Day 2 begins with the continuation of case study discussions.

12. Sergio presented on chairing a judges' commission, sharing on practical tips/experience. A personal tip from Sergio that in the event the chairman has to judge a team match, he/she should put himself at a match where it is likely to end with 6-0, so that he/she can have the remaining time to observe the rest of the event.
13. Morten presented on Para Archery. A raise of hands showed more than half of the participants have judged in Para Archery events. For a more detailed presentation, judges may refer to the presentation available on the WA training aids.
 - a. A request from participants to have high resolution/better quality pictures in the rule book.
 - b. Para archers shooting in able-bodied events: it may be a good idea to inform during team manager meeting, the presence of Para archers and some of their procedures.
 - c. To bring up to C&R: currently found in A Handbook Classifiers April 2017 (page 33) but not in the rule books.
 - i. Neither the feet of the athlete nor the footplates of the wheelchair may make contact with the ground when shooting.
14. The conference concluded with a test consisting of 122 true/false questions to be completed within 90 minutes.



Comments on the results of the Exams:

Each and every one of the 35 judges who took the test received individual feedback by email on the questions they did not answer correctly. We understand that the wording of some questions was probably tricky, as just one word may have changed the whole meaning, and that English is not the first language of most of our international judges and candidates, but still English is World Archery's official language, and therefore it is the main means of communication (both written and spoken) to be used by judges. We would like to encourage those judges who struggle more with comprehension of written English to continue working on their communicative skills in this language.

Nine of the judges who attended the Conference in Bangkok achieved a test score that is below 85%. This is quite worrying. Our International Judges and Candidates know that there is always a timed-test at each Conference, and that the results of these tests are considered as part of the re-accreditation process for the next four-year period. Therefore, each judge is expected to study the rules and the procedures connected to them before they fly in to the Conference, just as they are expected to do before they officiate at a World Archery tournament.

It was also worrying to see judges who applied for duty at the Indoor World Cups and they did not answer correctly basic questions about the number of arrows per end in an Indoor qualification round. Isn't this also an issue connected with attitude?

Each of the questions required a TRUE or FALSE answer. Here are some of the questions that got the highest number of incorrect answers. Next to each question you will find two boxes. The black box indicates the correct answer. The left box means TRUE, and the right hand side box means FALSE.

Q6 The distance between the shooting line and the waiting line ☒ ☐
can be greater than 6m.

Twenty-four (24) judges said the statement in question 6 was FALSE. It is actually TRUE. The waiting line needs to be placed AT LEAST 5 meters behind the shooting line. At the Sydney 2000 Olympics it was placed 7 meters behind the shooting line to allow the cameras to take images of the archers without being disturbed by the presence of the coaches.

Q74 An athlete arriving after shooting has started shall forfeit the ☐ ☒
number of arrows already shot, unless the Director of
shooting, or his designee, is satisfied that the athlete was
delayed by circumstances beyond his control.

Twenty-two (22) judges said the statement above is TRUE. What actually makes it FALSE is the reference to the DoS as the official entitled to authorize this. This was so in an old rule, but it was changed a few years ago to give this decision power to the Chairman of Judges.

Q63 During World Championships the 1/16 elimination round ☒ ☐
matches may be shot with one athlete per target.

Twenty-one (21) judges answered question 63 incorrectly. It was probably because they did not pay too much attention to the presence of the word MAY. May does not indicate that it is compulsory. It means that something is possible, but not mandatory.

Article 13.2.1 second bullet reads: *In the 1/48, 1/32, 1/24, and 1/16 (also indoors) Elimination Rounds there may be two athletes per target butt, in the 1/8 Elimination Round each athlete shall shoot on a separate target butt. Athletes shall go to the target butt to score and collect the arrows.* The word may in this rule indicates that it is also possible to have one archer per target at any of the elimination stages mentioned therein.

- Q43** Foot position ground markers are permitted on the shooting line so long as they are not protruding more than 2cm above the ground. ☐ ☒

Nineteen (19) incorrect answers to question 43. Footmarks may not protrude any more than 1cm above the ground.

- Q14** The Compound Division shoots five sets of three arrows. ☐ ☒

Fifteen (15) judges did not realize that conceptually a set is not the same as an end. There are no sets in compound archery.

- Q115** In the finals Round of a Tournament, during a match, one of the archers gets a miss-shot (the arrow falls down by the 3-meter line). The archer was not sure of the arrow's position and decided to shoot another arrow. You stand on the shooting line, trying to find the right height so as to be able to see the arrow in the same view as the archer during the competition. If from the shooting line you see that the arrow looks like it is in, you give the benefit of the doubt and the arrow is not considered to be shot. ☒ ☐

Fifteen (15) incorrect answers to question 115. The procedure described in the question is the correct one. It is worth adding that if the judge believes the arrow is out of the 3 meters as he watches from the shooting line, he should walk to the 3 meter line to verify, so as not to penalize the archer as a result of a subjective opinion 3 meters away from where the arrow is.

- Q88** Should a discrepancy be found in the sum total where two scorecards are used (electronic and paper), the sum total of the lower arrow scores will be used for the final result. ☐ ☒

Fourteen (14) judges marked the procedure described in the question as TRUE. It is FALSE. This rule was changed a couple of years ago. If there is a discrepancy, the results team will take the individual values of arrows as they stand in the paper scorecard and will make all necessary corrections in the electronic values. Once this is done, the new total rendered by the computer will prevail.

- Q92** During World Championships, for the compound division when deciding ties for entrance to the Elimination Round, each compound team will have one target butt with three 80cm-centres with triangular setup in the middle of the field. The individual team members shall decide which centre they shall shoot at. ☒ ☐

Fourteen (14) wrong answers here. This is the correct procedure. One target butt with three faces; one per archer.

- Q29** In a compound team or mixed team the shoot off from qualification to elimination rounds will be shot on a single target face in the middle of the target butt. ☐ ☒

Question 29 was similar to question 92 discussed above. The same rationale applies. Thirteen wrong answers to this question.

3. Judge Committee meeting in Bangkok

Your Committee met in Bangkok on November 2-3. Present at the meeting were Morten WILMANN (Chairman), Sergio FONT (Deputy Chairman), ad-hoc Committee Members Sabrina STEFFENS and Indranil DATTA, as well as World Archery Liaison officer Severine DERIAZ.



Your Committee together with World Archery Vice President Sanguan KOSAVINTA in Bangkok

As a result of the discussions in the meeting, four candidates were upgraded to full status, two retiring judges were considered for the Judge Outstanding Service Award, and duty appointments for 2018 were made.

The Committee discussed recent issues caused by judges who made mistakes at major events, and approved the suspension of three judges for two years.

4. Upgrade

The WA Judges Committee agreed to upgrade the following judges to full-status International Judges:

Maren HAASE (GER)
Saruul ENKHBAT (MGL)
David CATALAN (ESP)
Carlos CERVANTES (MEX)

Congratulations to all of them!!

5. Award to retiring Judge

The Judge Committee is happy to award the following international judges with the World Archery Judge Outstanding Service Award.



(AUS)



James
 Pedro SANZ (ESP)

LARVEN

Both Jim and Pedro have been for many years two of World Archery's most respected and reliable judges. On many occasions they chaired judges' commissions at World Cups and World Championships.

We thank these judges and friends for the long years of voluntary service that they have put in for World Archery and wish lots of success in their future endeavors to the two of them.

6. Duty Appointments for 2018

SURNAME	Firstname	CNO	Status	WC Outdoor 1 (CHN)
VANG	Schendorff	FRO	IJ	Chairman
CHEN	Ting-Ni	TPE	IJ	Deputy
HAGAMAN	Alison	AUS	IJc	Member
OZAWA	Junji	JPN	IJc	Member
PARK	Young Sook	KOR	IJc	Member
TAN	Pecilius	SIN	IJ	Member
NOYET	Michael	MAS	IJc	1st Alt
LUK	Elsie	HKG	IJ	2nd Alt

SURNAME	Firstname	CNO	Status	WC Outdoor 2 (TUR)
CABRERA	Karla	PHI	IJ	Chairwoman
SKJOLDBORG	Flemming	DEN	IJ	Deputy
HAASE	Maren	GER	IJ	Member
LARKINA	Mariya	RUS	IJ	Member
PAQUET	Denis	FRA	IJ	Member
WAR NONGBRI	Paia	IND	IJc	Member
LI	Xinping	CHN	IJc	1st Alt
GIMENEZ	Francisco	ESP	IJ	2nd Alt

SURNAME	Firstname	CNO	Status	WC Outdoor 3 (USA)
ERICA	Robert	NED	IJ	Chairman
TERRA NETO	Rubens	BRA	IJ	Deputy
CORTES	Roy	COL	IJc	Member
DEL TORNO	José	ARG	IJc	Member
NASIRINEJAD	Hossein	IRI	IJ	Member
PANNELL	Robert	CAN	IJc	Member
LUDWIG	Douglas	USA	IJc	1st Alt
HO	Charmaine	RSA	IJ	2nd Alt

SURNAME	Firstname	CNO	Status	WC Outdoor 4 (GER)
CANTINI	Fulvio	ITA	IJ	Chairman
LIPSCOMB	Katy	GBR	IJ	Deputy
BHOWMIK	Ranjan	IND	IJ	Member
GRAVEL	Céline	CAN	IJ	Member
PETROU	Petros	CYP	IJ	Member
TAMER	Roula	LIB	IJ	Member
PAN	Karen	TPE	IJ	1st Alt
KÜHN	Carsten	GER	IJc	2nd Alt

SURNAME	Firstname	CNO	Status	World Field Championships (ITA)
ROSA	Irena	SLO	IJ	Chairwoman
JONES	Randall	CAN	IJ	Deputy
ALLAHYARI	Shahzad	IRI	IJc	Member
BALTRUSAITIS	Ringa	LTN	IJ	Member
GRAS	Didier	FPO	IJc	Member
HUSEIN	Nabil	BRA	IJc	Member
KARLE	Friedrich	GER	IJ	Member
MIANI	Martino	ITA	IJ	Member
MIHINJAC	Drasko	CRO	IJ	Member
REITMEIER	Kristina	CZE	IJc	Member
SHALABY	Maya	EGY	IJc	Member
TAN	David	SIN	IJ	Member
TIERNEY	Megan	USA	IJc	Member
LYKKEBAEK	Klaus	DEN	IJ	1st Alt
RASOULI	Ghazaleh	IRI	IJ	2nd Alt

SURNAME	Firstname	CNO	Status	WC Final
STUCCHI	Luca	ITA	IJ	Chairman
BROWN	Hannah	GBR	IJ	Member
STEFFENS	Sabrina	GER	IJ	Member
VECCHIO				Member
PASSERINI	Alexandre	BRA	IJ	
CULLUMBER	Mike	USA	IJ	1 Alt

SURNAME	Firstname	CNO	Status	Youth Olympic Games (ARG)
ARAUJO	Cesar	MEX	IJ	Chairman
PLAKOUDA	Katerina	GRE	IJ	Deputy
BORTOT	Andrea	ITA	IJ	DOS
AGUILAR	Andrea	GUA	IJc	Member
CEZAR	Klemen	SLO	YJ	Member
DATTA	Indranil	IND	IJ	Member
ENKHBAT	Saruul	MGL	IJ	Member
KONCALOVA	Katerina	CZE	IJc	Member
MORILLAS	Elena	ESP	YJ	Member
SHIWAKU	Yasuhiro	JPN	YJ	Member
LI	Xinping	CHN	IJc	1 Alt
MACHADO NUNES	Lais	BRA	IJc	2nd Alt

7. Judges Mistakes

As mentioned in the Conference minutes, we discussed mistakes made by our judges. We would like to stress on the one related with the incorrect use of the measuring devices when judging a shoot-off. The following pictures are self-explanatory. In picture 1, the judge is using the wrong side of the caliper to measure. In picture 2, the judge seems to be trying to measure from the center of the arrow (not from its closest side) to the center of the target.

Picture 1 – The wrong section of the caliper is being used by the judge.



Picture 2 – The judge appears to be trying to measure from the center of the arrow.

In most cases mistakes are made because the judge is not focused. At a recent World Ranking Event we had a situation with a team member shooting two arrows in the first rotation (alternate shooting), and the judge did not do anything. Was the judge really paying attention? Do we really need judges who do not take action? Guess what would happen if one of these “passive” judges was a football or basketball referee. Is it too difficult to remain focused?



9. Tips to Judge Commission Chairmen

The following tips were offered at the Judges Conference in Bangkok regarding the job of the Chairman:

- Provide as much information to your judges as possible before the competition.
- Identify your judges' strengths and weaknesses. Allow your judges to express their concerns.
- Create an atmosphere of confidence in the group.
- Discuss procedures with your judges every new day.
- Assign specific tasks to your deputy.
- Do not make your meetings too long.
- Give constant feedback to your judges.
- Keep good communication with the LOC
- Keep good communication with the WA Events Director
- Keep good communication with the WA Results Team.
- Keep good communication with the Show Manager.
- Get prepared for your team managers' meeting.
- Give each judge a final assessment.
- Consider nationalities when appointing judges to specific areas on the field.
- Combine judges in groups considering their experience.
- Attach importance to the Friday evening rehearsal.
- Do not focus too much on LOC's problems in your report. Deal with judges issues instead.

10. Bylaws passed by the WA Executive Board in Mexico

At their pre-Congress meeting in Mexico City, the World Archery Executive Board passed the following by-laws:

16.1.3 – Practice at World Championships

Amendment is in **bold and underlined**:

For the Olympic, Compound and Indoor Match Round, a practice field shall be made available alongside the competition field (with targets in the same direction as the competition field) where athletes, **still in the competition**, may practice during the **Elimination and Finals Rounds. The organizing committee is not required to provide practice facilities to archers who are eliminated.**

13.6.2 – Completion of Matches

Amendment is in **bold and underlined**:

When there is individual alternating shooting, athletes competing shall go to the shooting line upon the 10 seconds alerting signal. At the end of the 10 seconds, one sound signal shall start the 20 second shooting period for the first athlete in the match. As soon as the first arrow is shot and the score is posted or the time runs out, the countdown clock for the opponent athlete is started to indicate his 20 second shooting period to shoot one arrow. The athletes of the match shall continue to alternate their shots following the countdown clock visual signal until each athlete has shot his three arrows or the athlete is sure he can no longer win the match. The losing athlete may then vacate the shooting line and congratulate the winner

Note by WAJC: The procedure to implement this new by-law from a judging point of view is still being discussed.

14.5.2.2

If both archers score a 10 (recurve) or X (compound) on their first shoot-off arrow, then the match would be considered a tie and a second shoot-off arrow will be needed to resolve the match. Any subsequent shoot-off arrows will then be decided by closest to the centre to declare a winner.

13.6.2

When there is individual alternating shooting, athletes competing shall go to the shooting line upon the 10 seconds alerting signal.

At the end of the 10 seconds, one sound signal shall start the 20 second shooting period for the first athlete in the match or **the 30 second shooting period for the Para archery tournament match.** As soon as the first arrow is shot and the score is posted or the time runs out, the countdown clock for the opponent athlete is started to indicate **the appropriate 20 or 30** second shooting period to shoot one arrow. The athletes of the match shall continue to alternate their shots following the countdown clock visual signal until each athlete has shot his three arrows.

If the time runs out a sound signal shall indicate to the other athlete/team the start of his/their time period or the end of the end/set.

11. New rules passed by Congress

Book 2, Chapter 4, Article 4.5.1.4 (Team Elimination Round and Mixed Team Round). For both compound and recurve – outdoor target archery competition.

Change the number of Teams (including Mixed) to 24 after qualification (outdoor target archery competition) :

4.5.1.4. The Elimination and Final Rounds consist of: (3rd bullet)

- The Team Elimination Round, in which the top 24 teams of three athletes seeded according to their positions as determined by their total score in the Qualification Round shoot simultaneously a series of matches, each match for recurve consisting of the best of four sets of six arrows (two per athlete) and for compound consisting of four ends of six arrows (two per athlete) in cumulative score; (5th bullet)
- The Mixed Team Round in which the top 24 teams composed of the top ranked man and the top ranked woman from the same Member Association are seeded according to their positions as determined by their total score in the Qualification Round, shoot simultaneously a series of matches, each match for recurve consisting of the best of four sets of four arrows (two per athlete) and for compound consisting of four ends of four arrows (two per athlete) in cumulative score.

12. Obituary

The following former World Archery Judges passed away in the recent months. The World Archery Judge Committee and all of our judges are very sorry for the loss of our colleagues and express our heart-felt condolences to their families and friends.

Roger GARROD (CAN)

Roger GARROD was Chair of the Archery Canada Rules Committee and was a tireless volunteer and contributor to archery in Canada.

He was an international Judge Candidate with plenty of activity in his home country and in the Americas.



Simon WEE (SIN)

Poh Tiong WEE, known as Simon, originally from Singapore and resident in Thailand, died of a heart attack aged 69 on 11 October 2017 in Pattaya.

Simon was sports manager of the archery competition at the inaugural Youth Olympic Games in Singapore in 2010, the organizer of the Indoor World Archery Cup stages in Singapore and Bangkok since the circuit's launch, a former international judge and an Executive Board Member of World Archery Asia.

World Archery awarded Simon with a Bronze Plaquette in 2011.

"Simon Wee was a well-liked person, a friend to many and an enthusiastic promoter of archery across Asia. He will be greatly missed," said World Archery Secretary General Tom DIELEN.



13. News from our Continental Judges Committees

AFRICA

During the month of September, World Archery Egypt organized a Seminar for the new judges and for promotion with the presence of 15 participants, after 9 years of the latest similar Seminar. This Seminar was under the supervision of the International Judges Mrs. Maya SHALABY and Dr. Ahmed ROUSHDY.



Participants in the seminar in Cairo

14. Pictures of recent Judges Commissions



Hyundai World Cup Stage 4, Berlin



World Games, Wrocław, Poland



Summer Universiade, Taipei



Hyundai World Cup Finals, Rome



World Archery Youth Championships in Rosario, Argentina



Hyundai World Championships, Mexico City

15. Replies to Case studies N°94

94.1

On the day of the recurve finals (with alternate shooting), an issue occurred mainly due to the wrong management of the timing equipment by the DoS assistant. In the recurve women's team match between Team A and Team B, the DoS assistant (wrongly assuming that it was a shoot-off situation) stopped the clock after the first archer of Team A shot her arrow in a regulation set, and incorrectly started the clock for Team B. The second archer in Team A, not noticing that her clock had stopped, shot an arrow without the timer running. The clock was then reset to allow 80 seconds for team A (4 arrows were pending). Team B lodged an appeal claiming that the second archer in Team A had shot without time being shown on the clock, and demanded that the highest scoring arrow should be deducted because that arrow was shot out of time (the clock was stopped). What would you decide in this situation?

Reply:

We are happy to see that almost all judges would not support the appeal from Team B. As stated, the archer shot in her sequence and had no influence on the DoS assistant's mistake. It would be quite unfair to deduct any points in this situation.

94.2

On the same day, in another recurve team match, the DoS wrongly stopped the clock in the middle of a match (alternate shooting), after the first archer of Team A shot his arrow. The clock was stopped, but still showed that there were 107 seconds left (the first archer had used 13 seconds only). When the clock for Team A started again, it began to count from 107 down. Team B protested indicating that the rules say that when the clock is stopped, the team should be allowed 20 seconds for each remaining arrow, and that for that reason team A should have been given 100 and not 107 seconds.

What is your opinion about this?

Reply:

Again an organizational mistake which clearly will give the necessary time to the team to shoot their arrows. And this is a very good example of how to read the rules "blindly" without really understanding the reasoning for the rule. The new rule, giving 20 sec per unshot arrow (not any more + 5 seconds as many quoted) is meant to be to the favor of the archers. If archers are not using as much as 20 seconds (often it would be more) we should of course not give them less time than the actual time remaining – 107 seconds (not 100 seconds). That would be highly unfair.

Case 94.3

For the Men's Compound Gold Medal Match one athlete attempted to enter the Field of Play wearing a pair of binoculars. The Judge officiating asked the athlete to remove the binoculars. The International Judge believed that as Spotting Scopes are not permitted as such binoculars must also not be permitted. What is your opinion?

Reply:

We are often saying that you should not "jump to conclusion", which many of you obviously did this time. The rules for field of play in WA events are:

3.20.1.1. The following items for the athlete shall be allowed:

- two bows;
- accessories as listed in [11](#).

3.20.1.2. The following items for the team official shall be allowed:

- One belt pack to carry archery accessories for the athlete or team; one pair of binoculars or spotting scope with tripod.

From this rule it is quite obvious (we believe) that the archer is not supposed to bring along binoculars. This is why the field set up today contains two screens for archers to look at. Having said that, you may ask what are accessories? We believe that this refers to "accessories" mentioned in the rules – even if team official's belt pack also may have some spare equipment.

16. New Case Studies

95.1 In a mixed team match the lady archer walks out of the one meter line after shooting her arrow in an alternate shooting rotation. As her teammate is standing on the shooting line preparing to shoot, she reaches out her arm to pick up an arrow of her own that she had accidentally dropped in the 1 meter area close to the shooting line. What would you do if you were the judge here?

95.2 During official practice, two judges are appointed to patrol the shooting line looking for high draws and other possible issues. The judges spotted the archery in the picture and discussed whether the lens he is wearing is acceptable or not. If you were one of the judges, what would you consider to make your decision?



95.3 A compound team Gold medal match using alternation in the rain. In the first rotation the sight on archer A's bow gets blurred with the rain. This archer walks out of the line, and archer B walks in. Archer B shoots two arrows before walking out. Archer C walks in and shoots one arrow. In the second half the three archers in the team shoot one arrow each. The line judge unbelievably did not realize archer B had shot two arrows in the first half, and did not raise his red card.

When the target judge, his scorer and the agents walk to the targets to score, they find the following situation.

There are four arrows in the left hand side target, with values 9, 9, 8 and 5. Three of these arrows have the same fletching (the three with the highest values). On the right hand side target for the same team there are two arrows shot by one archer (archer C); both arrows are in the 9 ring.

How would you score here?

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