

3Di RULES & CLASS DEFINITIONS:

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I. ELIGIBILITY, QUALIFICATIONS TO SHOOT

A. 3Di Tournament Year,

The 3Di Tournament calendar year will commence upon the completion of one National Championship event and runs to the completion of the following National Championships.

- * 3Di Sanctioned events will be governed by these 3Di Rules,
- * The 3Di Rules will be updated after the conclusion of the National Championships.

B. IBO Tournament Year,

The IBO Tournament Year begins upon the completion of one World Championship and runs to the completion of the next World Championship. (Usually around August)

- * When shooting IBO Sanctioned events abroad, IBO Rules will apply.
- * Rules will be updated after the conclusion of the IBO Worlds.

C. Class Advancement by Age,

1. If a junior archers birthday falls after the commencement date of the National Championship, he or she will maintain class standing (FBH, CUB, Youth Classes) until the conclusion of the subsequent 3Di National Championship Tournament.
2. Adult archers may register at any sanctioned 3Di event for any class the archer is eligible to compete in based on his or her age on the day of registration. If an adult archer wants to qualify for the World Championship, he or she must be the appropriate age for the class for which the archer is attempting to qualify on the date of the qualifier. If an archer elects to advance to an age optional class, he or she must qualify for the World Championship in that class.

D. Class Eligibility According to Sex

Male and Female refer to an archer's sex assigned at birth. Understanding that there are competitive differences between Male and Female, we will use science and physiology, not psychology to determine Male / Female qualification for any and all 3Di / IBO tournaments,

E. Semi-Pro Policy:

1. An archer who registers for a Semi-Pro during any one 3Di shooting year must remain in that class for the entire duration of that 3Di tournament year except that an archer may move up to Semi-Pro, or a Semi-Pro archer may move up to a Pro class.
2. Archers who move from Semi-Pro to Pro during the 3Di year may not drop back down to compete as an amateur or Semi-Pro at a 3Di / IBO-sanctioned event for the remainder of that tournament year.
3. An archer who registers as a Pro or Semi-Pro in another 3D shooting organization must register to compete at the same or higher level at 3Di / IBO-sanctioned events.

4. A Pro or Semi-Pro archer must be a 3Di / IBO member to participate in any 3Di / IBO-sanctioned event.
5. A Pro or Semi-Pro archer may not register for an entry level class such as HC or FHC for a period of five years after participating as a Pro or Semi-Pro in any 3D organization.

F. Qualification to Participate in the World Championship:

In order to compete in the IBO World Championship and for such archer to be sanctioned by 3Di, such archer must be a 3Di member and place in the top ten 10 scores for his or her class at a 3Di sanctioned qualifying tournament.

Sanctioned events will include:

- National Triple Crowns
- Provincial Championships & Invitational 3D Events
- 3Di National Championships

G. 3Di Membership:

1. An archer must be a 3Di and IBO member to compete in an IBO World Championship / IBO Indoor and or IBO Traditional World Championships.

2. An archer must be a member '**In Good Standing**' at an affiliated 3Di Club to qualify for the following in South Africa:

- * 3Di Provincial Recognition
- * National & Protea Recognition (* If offered)
- * Any 3Di Team Selection for International 3D Events
- * The Top 10 Shoot Outs
- * 3Di National Triple Crown and or National Best of the Best
- * To be allocated to 3Di National and or Triple Crown PEER Groups
- * Awarded the National Triple Crown Winner
- * Awarded Shooter of the Year : Senior / Junior / Traditional
- * Awarded 3Di Grand Slam Awards
- * And competing in the Race 2 the Buckle

3. Guest fees shall be equivalent to the pre-determined entry fees for 3Di Members for the specific class entered.

4. **Guest Pass** fees shall be equivalent to 50% of the pre-determined entry fees for 3Di Members for the specific class entered.

H. Team Competition:

1. All team members must be 3Di members in 'good standing' in order to compete in team competition and year end Prize.
2. Qualified teams may compete at the 3Di National Championship, Triple Crown events and the World Championship (If team events are offered).

3. In order for a class to have a team competition in the 3Di National Championship, there must be at least three (3) teams registered to shoot at the 1st Leg of the Triple Crown.
4. In order to win, a team must shoot all three legs of the Triple Crown.
5. A team may be three (3) or four (4) members, but only the top three (3) scores will count towards a team's total score.



I. Schools League:

The 3Di Schools league is open to all Schools and will form an intricate part of the development continuum, mass participation / focused development and later high performance.

Registrations : <http://africanbowhunting.org/3Di/membership/club-registrations/16>

1. Schools league will be defined as both Junior and Senior learners from the same school. Junior defined as Grades 4 – 7 / Senior defined as Grades 8 – 12.
2. Schools League archers will enter the event as individuals.
3. A team may be three (3) or four (4) learners, but only the top three (3) scores will count towards the team's total score.
 - * A school can register multiple teams.
 - * Team Entries are Free of Charge
 - * A team can comprise of both male and female learners.
4. Membership of the learners will not be a prerequisite for the Schools League, but the schools' registration will be.
5. Schools shall register and their detail displayed on the Club Listings page as a Schools league participant. (Registrations for the School will be **Free of Charge**)

Important:

Compulsory events to be eligible for the Schools League Team Awards are:

- * Leg 1 / 2 / 3 of the 3Di National Triple Crown events,
 - * The 3Di National Championships.
6. A team may compete at the Provincial Events, if Schools League Team events are offered.
 7. Team members may change throughout the duration of any 3Di / IBO Tournament Calendar Year, but they must be learners from the same school.

8. Score cards and Awards :
 - * Score Cards for Day 1 of the 3Di Schools League will differ in Colour !!
 - * Double scoring will apply,
9. Individual Awards and Plaques will be awarded after the conclusion of Day 1 of each of the 3 National Triple Crown Events.

II. TARGETS AND SCORING AREAS:

A. Targets:

1. At all 3Di / IBO Sanctioned shooting events, the targets MUST have official IBO scoring areas and will be -
 - ☐ The 2D Silhouette Range 'The African Series', and or
 - ☐ Any 3Di / IBO approved 3D type animal targets.
2. Host Provinces / Clubs may utilise a combination of respective dimensions of the 3D animals so long as the targets have official IBO scoring areas.
3. Targets shall be set at unmarked or marked distances (Informed by the class or competition format or otherwise sanctioned by 3Di,)

*** Classes categorised as Aided Classes will be permitted to use a Range finder.**

The approximate* maximum distance for each stake shall be as follows:

a.	Blue Stake	50 yards	(45.72 meters)
b.	Green Stake	45 yards	(41.15 meters)
c.	Red Stake	40 yards	(36.70 meters)
d.	Yellow Stake	35 yards	(32 meters)
e.	Orange Stake	30 yards	(27.45 meters)
f.	White Stake	25 yards	(22.86 meters)
g.	Silver Stake	20 yards	(18.15 meters)

❖ Important :

Approximate distances have been added to allow the use of a laser range finder and to allow for inherent variations in accuracy. Approximate distances are NOT intended to be an excuse to stretch target maximum distances.

4. Targets should be set so they are distinguishable with their vital areas (8-ring) unobstructed. (Shot's through & past obstructions are allowed, as long as Vitals remains unobstructed)
5. Care shall be taken when setting targets not to over rotate or excessively lean the target to ensure that the entire vital area can be safely shot.

6. At any point in time during competition and in the event that the target fell over, archers in the group are to ensure that only archers that have already shot, may move forward to correct the target, alternatively to contact the range official to assist.

B. Shooting Stakes:

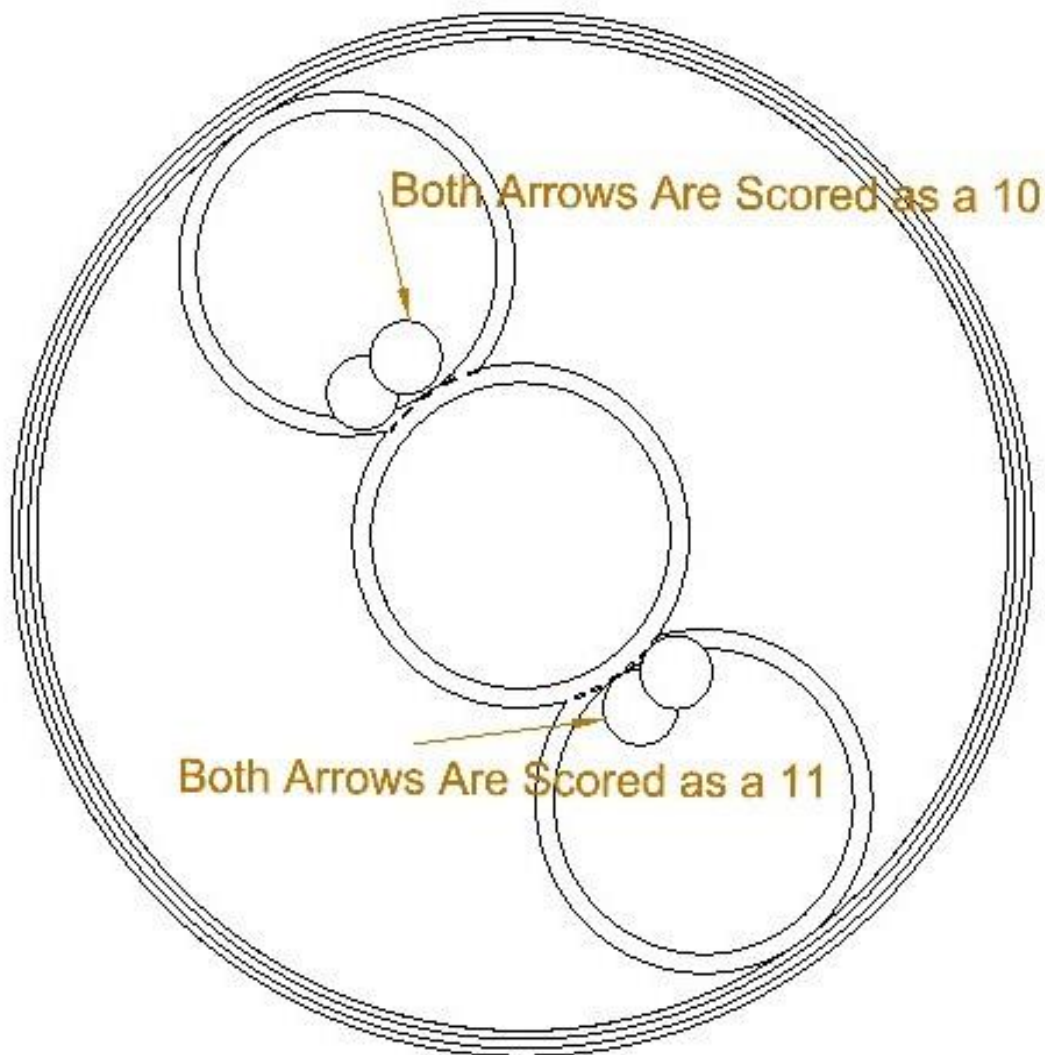
Blue	50 Yards	MAE / X-BOW
Green	45 Yards	MBO / AO / HCA / FAE
Red	40 Yards	AHC / MBR / FBO / MCA / YMR 15-17 / MYA / SMCA
Yellow	35 Yards	FHCA / MHC / YMR 12-14 / FMCA
Orange	30 Yards	FHR / SFHC / FY / TRD / FYA / PCBH
White	25 Yards	CUB / YTRD / FTRD / LB
Silver	20 Yards	FBH / GEN

C. Scoring Areas

For all 3Di / IBO Sanctioned shooting events, the targets shall have scoring areas as follows:

1. An “11” ring consisting of a circle centred within the 10 ring. The circle size should be approximately* twenty five percent (25%) of the size of the 10 ring.
2. A “10” ring consisting of a circle inside the vital area.
3. A vital area (8 ring) that roughly approximates the heart, lung, and liver area of the appropriate animal.
4. The remainder of the animal shall be considered a “body” except as set out in Paragraph 5 below.
5. An arrow embedded in the horn of an animal, not touching body colour, is considered a miss and is scored as a zero. Targets with legs of a different colour than the main body will still be considered as body colour for scoring.
6. Some targets have material surrounding the actual outline of a target animal. This additional material will NOT be counted for score.

Scoring Merged Rings (See Diagram 1 below)



III. EQUIPMENT:

A. Grains Per Pound and Arrow Speed:

1. Arrows must weigh at least five (5) grains per pound of the bow's maximum shooting weight unless the archer's equipment qualifies for the exception set out in Paragraph 2 below.

Example of the Calculation:

- ☐ Weight your arrow. (Example: Your arrow weighs 340gr)
- ☐ Divide your arrow weight by 5. ($340 \div 5 = 68$ Pounds / Lbs)
- ☐ **Your bow can be set @ 68Lbs / with no speed limit !!!**
- ☐ **There will be 2 Lbs allowed for Scale variation !!!**

Shooting weight is defined as the bow's maximum draw or thrust weight, as set up at the time of competition.

(* A variance of two (2) pounds of draw weight shall be allowed for bow scale variation.)

(* Equipment qualifying in this paragraph (III.A.1) shall have no limit on arrow speed.)

2. In the case where an archer's equipment, when shot at five (5) grains per pound, does not generate 290 fps, that archer may shoot arrows weighing less than five (5) grains per pound. However, equipment qualifying under this paragraph (III.A.2) shall not exceed an arrow speed of 290 fps.

(* A variance of three percent (3%) will be allowed for chronograph variation. (298fps)

3. Draw weight shall not be adjusted after entering the shooting course. Adjustments can be made only after equipment is checked at the conclusion of a range. Doing so will be considered poor sportsmanship and subject to disqualification unless adjustment is necessary during the period allowed for equipment failure.
4. 3Di / IBO recommend that archers do not exceed manufacturer's recommended limits on arrow weight and draw weight.
5. Regardless of speed or arrow weight configuration, all archers must comply with maximum draw weight restrictions for their class as outlined below. (Rule III.B below)
6. A maximum arrow diameter of 27/64 (.422) will be allowed with an allowance of up to .425" for arrow point diameter.

7. Archers competing in the Crossbow Class shall be limited to a 375 fps bolt speed.

B. Maximum Draw Weight:

1. The maximum draw weight for each class shall be as follows:

FBH / CUB / JTRD	40 pounds
All Female and Youth Classes	60 pounds
LB / TRD	90 pounds
All other compound classes	80 pounds

Important :

Parents of CUB and Youth Shooters –

Do not play the performance game with your child's equipment!!!

Do not put their safety, health and or score at risk.

C. Sights, Overdraws, Unusual Equipment, Etc:

1. Overdraws are permitted in all classes except TRD, FTRD, YTRD, LB.
2. There is no limit to the number of pins on a sight.

3. A sight used in a fixed-pin class may not be adjusted once the archer enters the shooting course.
4. Sights that project a laser light or other aiming dot on the target are illegal in all classes.
5. An archer using new or unusual equipment not addressed by class definitions or elsewhere in these rules will be required to shoot in one of the open classes until the 3Di / IBO make a ruling on the proper class for the equipment.
6. A verifier or clarifier style peep sight will be allowed in all classes that permit the use of sights.
7. No type of draw check or clicker may be used in the traditional classes, except for the RU class.

IV. SHOOTING RULES AND ETIQUETTE,

A. Shooting Etiquette :

1. All scorecards must be shuffled and **ALL** the groups “Busted”
2. Groups with 3-4 friends or family members, plus an ‘outside’ person is considered “busted” provided that the “outside person” is one of the scorekeepers for the group !!!
3. A group of friends and or relatives must be aware that good sportsmanship requires an additional competitor / scorekeeper is added to their group. The archers in a group of team mates, friends, and or relatives are required to make range officials aware of this situation.

Important Note:

Archers assigned to a Target / Shooting and or Peer group, and choose not to shoot in that group, will not be eligible for awards and or medals of any kind.

4. **Compulsory Rotation,**
 - **All shooting groups must establish a shooting rotation and follow the rotation for the duration of the tournament.**
 - Peer Group Rotations will be informed by Class Ranking whilst rotations in mixed groups will be established by the published Target Roster
 - Groups that contain archers shooting from different stakes will follow the shooting rotation while ensuring that no archer advances beyond their assigned stake before shooting. Non -adherence to this rule may lead to disqualification of all archers in the group.
5. No archer (or spectator) and unless authorised in circumstances provided for by these rules, shall approach a target prior to the entire group has completed shooting.
6. Junior Archers, competing in the FBH classes may be assisted by parents.

7. Arrows may be drawn on proviso that 50% of the group has already shot their arrows. This provision is only applicable if there is only one (1) target.
8. An archer may only participate in one class at any one 3Di / IBO sanctioned event. This does not prevent an archer from shooting a different style or class at a different event with the exception that an archer that entered into the Pro or Semi-Pro classes may NOT drop to an amateur class during the IBO shoot year.
9. When shooting and unless provision is made for double peck shooting format, the archer must touch appropriate stake with any part of the archer's body.
10. When double peck shooting format is permitted an archer may straddle by aligning the shooting peck between the archer's feet. Straddling is only permitted if 2 archers are shooting at the same time.

Double Shooting Peg Format : If only one peg is utilised the Rule will operate as follows:

1. Both archers will wait until both the previous archers have cleared the shooting stake.
2. They then have 2 minutes to complete their shot.
3. Archers will stand next to each other, not more than 1 meter apart, straddling the shooting peck between them.

- * At times, stakes are set to challenge the archer with various shooting positions.
- * Alterations to the ground around the shooting stake using any tools or levelling aids, natural or otherwise are not permitted.

11. Sight tapes, which are being used during competition, must be covered to prevent yardage from being disclosed to other competitors.
12. **Sky Draws :** When drawing a bow, the archer must begin the draw cycle in the direction of the Target, with an angle that is not excessively above the flight path of the arrow. Sky Drawing is prohibited due to the inherent dangers associated with equipment malfunctions while the bow is pointed in an upward direction.
13. Archers approaching a group must wait at an appropriate distance for that group to clear the shooting peg.
14. **Allotted shooting time:**
Each archer shall be allowed a maximum of two minutes to complete his or her shot. If another group point out the time to your group, it is your responsibility, as a group, to speed up and stay within the allotted time.

This rule shall operate as follows:

- a. Time will begin for the first archer, once the group in front has cleared out, and he arrives at the shooting peg. Time will begin for the next archer when the previous archer releases his or her arrow.

- b. **Archers should be sensitive to the time concerns of the groups behind them and make every attempt to shoot in a timely manner. Repeated violation of an archer's two (2) minute time limit is considered to be unsportsmanlike Conduct and subject to an Official Warning informed by Rule VI.C**
- c. After shooting, the archer should immediately clear the stake for the next shooter. Using binoculars from the shooting stake after the shot is prohibited.

In order to support the 2 minute time limitation, an archer at the shooting stake may not let down more than 3 times.

Let down is defined as drawing to anchor, then letting down and not taking the shot.

- * **If an archer let down more than 3 times he or she shall receive a score of zero for that target.**

All shooting groups shall enforce this scoring rule.

Failure to do so will be subject to group penalties for unsportsmanlike conduct.

- 15. There shall be no discussion of yardage until all arrows have been scored. Discussion of yardage only under the above condition and must be done in a manner to ensure that archers from the next group are not assisted.
- 16. No more than one umbrella may be used to assist a shooter at the stake. The maximum size for an umbrella used on a range shall be "golf sized."
- 17. All 3Di / IBO competitive events are based on a "free-hand" style of shooting. No archer shall use any device such as shooting sticks, slings or other such accessories or shooting positions to create a "braced" / supported shot. The only exceptions will be in the (PCBH) class where the use of such devices is required for continued participation. If a shooting stick or bow rest device is required in PCBH class, **it must be of a monopod design.** Tri-pods, sandbags, or other forms of multipoint bracing are illegal.
- 18. **Dry Fire**
 - a. A bow shot without an arrow, constituting a "dry fire" will not be regarded a scoring shot as the arrow was not propelled off the string, The archer may re-shoot the arrow, subject to the 2 minute time rule.
 - b. This rule will not be applicable to any "nock failure" in which event the arrow is to be scored according to the scoring area in which the arrow is embedded.

B. Scoring

1. Scorecards

- a. At all 3Di / IBO Sanctioned events, two score cards must be completed for each archer. Scorecards MUST have the archer's Name & Surname, Member ID / ID and Class on it.
 - Failure to comply with this rule will result in your scores not being captured.
 - No awards will be given.
- b. Scorecards must be split between two (2) scorekeepers so that each scorekeeper has one card for each archer. Both scorekeepers must agree on a score, compare the scorecards before the arrows are pulled from the target (this process excludes circumstances provided for in the rules than permits arrows to be pulled before all archers in the group have shot.)
- c. Arrows pulled before completion of scoring must be scored as a zero.
- d. If the two scorekeepers for a group mistakenly record different scores, the inconsistent scores must be corrected as agreed upon by the majority of the group. The error must be circled and initialled by both scorekeepers and the correct score punched or otherwise clearly marked. If agreement by the majority of the group is not possible, the shooter will receive the lower of the two scores.
- e. Score cards must be legible, complete, and signed by the archer to be accepted. No scorecard may be changed by a competitor or scorekeeper after submitting it to a range official.
- f. Scorecards will be handed in by a designated group member at the end of each course.
- g. Archers shall be responsible for their own scorecards. It is up to each archer to ensure that his or her scorecard meets the above requirements. Duplicate cards will not be issued to replace lost or damaged cards, except in unusual circumstances approved by the host and or 3Di / IBO tournament officials in their sole discretion.
- h. Host clubs shall forward scorecards to 3Di to be stored for one (1) year following a 3Di / IBO sanctioned shooting event.
- i. Any attempt by an archer to knowingly falsify a score or knowingly allow another to falsify his or her score, shall result in the immediate disqualification of that archer for that event, and that archer shall be ineligible to participate in a 3Di / IBO-sanctioned shooting event for a one (1)-year period.
- j. A suspended competitor may petition the Board of Directors for reinstatement.

Please note:

3Di reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to correct harmless errors including but not limited to, score tabulation, lack of initials or signature, posting, etc. which in the opinion of 3Di / IBO are

clearly not a result of an attempted inflation of the archer's score.

2. Scoring Arrows :

a. Scores will be tabulated as follows:

11 points	11 ring or "X" ring centred inside the 10 ring
10 points	10 ring or heart
8 points	Vitals
5 points	Body
0 points	Miss (includes arrow embedded in horn / hoof or paw) and or arrow not touching body colour.

- b. If more than one scoring area is visible on a target, the host organization of any 3Di / IBO sanctioned event shall note which area shall be used at the shooting stake. In the event that such a target is not posted, either scoring area can be used.
- c. An arrow touching the line marking the edge of a greater scoring area shall be given the higher score. Arrow parts that extend beyond the shaft such as feathers, vanes, or nock collars, cannot be used to score the arrow.
- d. No arrow may be touched and or drawn by any of the archers and or spectators in the group until such time that all arrows have been scored. A arrow that was drawn deliberately and or early will be scored a 0 for that target.
- e. Arrows must stick in the target in order to receive a score other than a zero with the exception of a Pass-through, 'Robin-Hood, or Bounce-Back as set out in Paragraphs (f) (g), and (h) below.
- f. An arrow that passes through a target may be scored if witnessed and agreed upon by the majority of archers in the group. A pass-through is an arrow passing completely through the target with material 360 degrees around the arrow, leaving a separate entrance and exit hole. If the pass-through was witnessed by a member of the group other than the shooter, and the group cannot agree, the archer may re-shoot the target with a marked arrow, before the group advances to score the target.
- g. An arrow that deflects from the ground and or any other natural object (rock, tree branch, leaves etc) and post deflection is embedded in the target, shall be scored as embedded in the target.
- h. An arrow that hit another arrow already in the target will be scored as follows:
- (i) If embedded into the nock end of an arrow embedded in the target shall be scored the same as the arrow embedded into the target; (Robin Hood)
 - (ii) An arrow that hits another arrow, with the arrow being struck showing visible damage—that does not stick in the target shall be given the score of the arrow that was struck;

The majority of the group must agree that,

* A particular arrow was struck, and shows visible damage;

* That striking the arrow prevented the arrow from sticking in the target, or the arrow shall be scored as a miss.

- (iii) An arrow that hits another arrow, with the arrow being struck showing no visible damage that does stick in the target, shall be given the score of the scoring area where it stuck
- (iv) An arrow being hit by another arrow and pushed out of a scoring area will be scored in the scoring area it was pushed into.
- i. A bounce-back is an arrow that squarely strikes the target and bounces back toward the shooter. An arrow that glances off the target is not considered a bounce-back. A bounce-back may be scored if the score can be agreed upon by the majority of archers in the group. If a member of the group other than the archer witnesses the bounce-back and the group cannot agree, the archer may re-shoot the target before the group advances to score the target.
- j. An arrow released or dropped accidentally will be scored a zero unless the archer is able to retrieve it while touching the stake and re-shoot it within that archer's two-minute period.
- k. Any arrow intentionally shot into the ground or any object other than the target shall be considered an act of unsportsmanlike conduct and the arrow scored a zero.
- l. An archer using adjustable sights may not re-adjust the sight once the archers has drawn the bow on the target.

C. Binoculars and Rangefinders

- 1. An integral part of 3Di / IBO 3D competitions is the archer's ability to judge yardage without the assistance of range finding devices or assistance from others. Therefore, camera, rangefinders, or any other devices that may be used to calculate yardage to the target are prohibited.

* Except in the Aided Classes : As defined in the Rules regulating these Classes :
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- 2. Hand-held binoculars are allowed without magnification limitations.
- 4. An archer may not use parts of his or her body, the bow, or any other accessories or equipment to calculate yardage. Any mark on otherwise legal binoculars that could be construed as a reference point for range finding is prohibited.
- 5. Binoculars shall not be used at the stake after the shot has been taken.
- 6. **An archer with an adjustable sight may not re-adjust his or her sight after using binoculars at the shooting stake.** Archers may utilize binoculars additionally to view the target while waiting their turn at the shooting stake or from an on-deck area behind a group that is in the process of shooting a target.

D. Equipment Failures and Leaving the Course :

1. Once an archer begins a shooting course, he or she must finish with his or her group unless given permission to leave by a range official, or in the event of equipment failure his or her shooting group.
2. When possible, in the case of inclement weather, a siren or other warning system shall be implemented, indicating that a potential emergency exists and all shooting and practice ranges are immediately closed.
 - a. When this warning has been sounded, all shooting activity must cease, and everyone should seek appropriate shelter.
 - b. Archers shall use the utmost caution to ensure the safety of all persons involved.
 - c. Archers may only resume shooting activity after being instructed by the ABO / IBO / the host organization, or other range officials on the proper manner to re-enter the competition ranges once the emergency has passed and the ranges have been re-opened.
 - d. Due to the severe risk to one's self or other shooters and / or range Personnel in a potential emergency situation, any attempt to circumvent these safety warnings and continue shooting will be viewed as unsportsmanlike conduct and will be grounds for immediate disqualification.
3. Once an archer begins a shooting course, he or she may not exchange equipment unless there is any equipment failure as set out below.
4. Equipment failures must be agreed upon by the majority of the group.

The procedure for dealing with equipment failures shall be as follows:

- a. The scorekeepers for the group shall write "equipment failure" on the scorecard of the archer with the equipment failure and initial the scorecard.
- b. The scorekeepers will tabulate the archer's score to that point and initial the cards appropriately.
- c. The archer with the equipment failure shall then cautiously proceed forward through the course and immediately notify a range official.
- d. If three or more archers remain in the group, they may continue shooting. If two or fewer remain, they must join the following group (so long as it does not result in an excessively large group) or step aside and wait for range official before proceeding.
- e. The archer will be given (45 Min) by a range official within which the repair must be completed.
- f. A range official will hold the archer's scorecards until the repair is completed, and the archer is escorted back onto the course by a range official.

E. Peer Groups & Shooting Groups

1. A peer group may be made up of the top 10 scores from a previous competition in a particular class. These scores will not include any tiebreakers. All shooters tied for a score will make up one score for this purpose.

2. 3Di / IBO / Province or host club may require an archer to shoot in a peer group at a particular event. If an archer is allocated by 3Di / IBO or a host club to a peer group and that archer does not shoot in the group, his or her score will be ineligible for awards of any kind.
3. If peer groups are assigned, the host organization will send a written invitation / text for an archer to participate in a peer group; however, it is still the shooter's responsibility to determine if he or she is required to shoot in a peer group. An archer may check in at registration, to determine if he or she is required to attend a meeting for the purpose of being assigned to shoot in a peer group.
4. Shooting groups are allocated for each of the sanctioned Provincial / Triple Crown and National 3Di events. These groups are determined by Pre-Entry Reference Number alone, in accordance to rule IV.1.2 – All shooting groups will be busted.

F. Tie Scores, Spectators & Unsportsmanlike Conduct :

1. 11's will be used to break ties.
2. The archer with the most 11's will be the winner.
3. However, if two or more archers still finish with identical scores, the host club may declare a shoot-off.
4. A shoot-off will consist of a 2D or 3D animal set at an unknown distance, within the limits of the relevant class, and an "X" shall be placed in the centre of the highest-scoring area. The archer whose arrow is the closest to the "X" will be declared the winner.
5. If only one archer is present at the shoot-off, he or she will be declared the winner.
6. No alcoholic beverages may be carried or consumed on any shooting course, range, or practice area by anyone during shooting hours. If in the opinion of a range official, an archer who is under the influence of alcohol attempts to enter a course, range, or practice area, the archer will not be allowed to shoot and will be suspended from that competition.

Littering or improper disposal of trash. All trash that is generated by, or carried on to a range or tournament grounds by an archer, must be removed and properly disposed of.

Important :

7. Spectators shall –
 - a. not distract, interfere with, or assist archers while on the shooting course or range;
 - b. will remain behind the 'On Deck' and or Blue Peg at ALL times; and
 - c. will at no time be allowed to join an archer at the shooting stake and or Target !!

8. Unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Any action considered unsportsmanlike by 3Di / host club or the IBO will be grounds for disqualification.

Spotting:

9. Archers of the group will be required to at all material times “spot” for the archer on the peg, to enable the group, in the event of a pass through or bounce off, to still score the arrow shot. Failure of archers in the group to “spot” will constitute unsportsmanlike conduct and the prejudiced archer will be allowed to take a second shot if the remaining archers failed to “spot” and are unable to “call” the arrow.

Examples of unsportsmanlike conduct include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a. Projecting any illuminated aiming point onto a target.
- b. Littering or improper disposal of trash.
- c. Registering to compete as an amateur when the archer is a Pro or Semi-Pro in another 3D shooting organization; or registering to compete as a Semi-Pro when the archer is a Pro in another 3D shooting organization.
- d. Communicating to another archer the yardage of a particular target that the other archer has not yet shot.
- e. Using a cell phone on the shooting range. Cell phones are only to be used when the group decides there is an emergency requiring such use. Upon entering a range, all cell phones are to be switched off.
- f. Disobeying or disregarding the orders of a range official or shoot official.
- g. Using performance enhancing drugs.
We may be recognizing guidelines along the same structure as those utilized by FITA in their International competitions. Be advised, these guidelines may be implemented in the near future and may come into use with no further warning after this advisory.
- h. Any otherwise listed rule violation.
- i. Talking to and or behind an archer on the peg in the process of aiming or shooting.

V. SHOOTING CLASSES:

A. Level One: Non-Competitive Classes - Awards Given at Random:

Future Bowhunters (FBH) :

- FBH is a class for male or female archers 8 years of age and younger.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights or style of release.
- FBH is a non-competitive class designed to encourage children to learn to shoot a bow, consequently, awards should be random and based on participation only.

* **Silver Stake** **Maximum distance of 20 yards (18.15)**

B. Level Two: Youth Competitive Classes:

Genesis (GEN)

This class is for archers in the NASP ® / AGA SA and Centreshot Programmes using the same equipment rules as required for all NASP ® / AGA SA and Centreshot events using the unmodified original Genesis bow and Easton arrows.

- * **Silver Stake** **Maximum distance of 20 Yards (18.15)**

Cub (CUB)

- CUB is the class for male or female archers 9 to 11 years old.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.

- * **White Stake** **Maximum distance of 25 Yards. (22.86m)**

Youth Male Release (YMR 12 - 14)

- YMR will be defined as archers 12 to 14 years old.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.

- * **Yellow Stake** **Maximum distance of 35 Yards. (32m)**

Youth Male Release (YMR 15 - 17)

- YMR is for archers 15 to 17 years old.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.

- * **Red Stake** **Maximum distance of 40 Yards.**

Female Youth (FY)

- FY is for female archers 12 to 17 years old.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.

- * **Orange Stake** **Maximum distance of 30 Yards. (27.42m)**

Youth Traditional (YTRD)

- YTRD is an optional class for male or female archers 9 to 17 years old.
- Archers in this class must use the same equipment as the Traditional Class (TRD).
- No type of draw check or clicker may be used.

- * **White Stake** **Maximum distance of 25 Yards. (22.86m)**

Male Youth Aided (MYA)

- MYA is a competitive class for male youth shooters 12 - 17 years old, and will serve as a training ground for the YMR class and later, the more advanced youth tournament classes.

- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.
- The use of a Range Finder is permitted.
- Moveable + Pivot sights allowed, with or without magnification.

* **Red Stake** **Maximum distance of 40 Yards**

Female Youth Aided (FYA)

- FYA is a competitive class for female youth shooters 12 to 17 years old, and will serve as a training ground for the FY class and later, the more advanced youth tournament classes.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.
- The use of a Range Finder is permitted.
- Moveable + Pivot sights allowed, with or without magnification.

* **Yellow Stake** **Maximum distance of 35 Yards**

Note :

IBO does not make provisions for any of the Youth Aided Classes.

C. Level Three: Competitive Adult Classes:

Hunter Class (HC)

* **HC Merged with AHC for the 2026 Tournament Season**

A compound, recurve, or longbow shot with or without sights.

A sight shall have fixed pins, cross hair, or circle style pins without lens or magnification.

If circle style pins are used, all circles must be the same size.

A sight may have a rear aperture (i.e., peep sight or fixed rifle type sight).

Sights may not be adjusted after entering the shooting course.

Arrows must have screw-in points and at least three (3) feathers or vanes no less than two (2) inches long (measured minimum 1.75 inches).

Stabilizers, Vbars, counter balances, or weighted attachments may be attached to the bow as long as these items do not extend more than 12 inches from each point of attachment. (For the purposes of this rule, any device adding length or weight to the stabilizer shall be considered part of the stabilizer and shall be subject to the 12-inch rule.)

Un-weighted vibration dampeners are not considered to be stabilizers; however, un-weighted vibration dampeners attached to the stabilizer are measured as a part of the stabilizer and are subject to the 12-inch rule above.

Equipment in this class may be shot with finger tab, shooting glove or release.

* **Yellow Stake** **Maximum distance of 35 Yards**

Master Class Aided (MCA)

- MCA is an optional class for archers 50 – 64 years of age or older.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.
- The use of a Range Finder is permitted.

* **Red Stake**

Maximum distance of 40 Yards

Female Master Class Aided (FMCA)

- FMCA is an optional class for female archers 50 years of age or older.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.
- The use of a Range Finder is permitted.

* **Yellow Stake**

Maximum distance of 35 Yards

Please note :

The IBO does not cater for the MCA / FMCA and SMCA.

Its sole purpose is purely for the enjoyment of our senior / master class archers.

Senior Master Class Aided (SMCA)

- SMCA is an optional class for archers 65 years of age or older.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.
- The use of a Range Finder is permitted.

* **Red Stake**

Maximum distance of 40 Yards

Modern Female Bowhunter (FBR)

Archers in this female only class must use the same equipment as the MBR Class,

* **Orange Stake**

Maximum distance of 30 Yards.

Senior Female Hunter Class (SFHC)

- SFHC is an optional class for female archers 50 years of age or older.
- Archers in this female only class must use the same equipment as the Hunter Class (HC)

* **Orange Stake**

Maximum distance of 30 Yards

Beginner Bowhunter Open (BBO)

* **Merged with MBO for the 2026 Tournament Season,**

D. Level Four: Advanced Amateur Classes,

Male Bowhunter Open (MBO)

- A compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.
- Archers using a movable sight, with or without a lens, will also shoot in either the BBO or the MBO Class.

* **Green Stake**

Maximum distance of 45 Yards

Female Bowhunter Open (FBO)

A compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.

* **Red Stake**

Maximum distance of 40 Yards

Advanced Hunter Class (AHC)

- A compound, recurve, or longbow shot with or without sights.
- A sight shall have fixed pins, cross-hair, or circle style pins.
- AHC archers may use a lens with no restrictions on magnification.
- If circle style pins are used, all circles must be the same size.
- A sight may have a rear aperture, (i.e., peep sight or fixed rifle type sight).
- Sights may not be adjusted after entering the shooting course.
- Arrows must at least three (3) feathers or vanes no less than 2 inches long (measured minimum 1.75 inches).
- Stabilizers, Vbars, counter balances, or weighted attachments may be attached to the bow as long as these items do not extend more than 12 inches from each point of attachment. (For the purposes of this rule, any device adding length or weight to the stabilizer shall be considered part of the stabilizer and shall be subject to the 12-inch rule. Unweighted vibration dampeners are not considered to be stabilizers; however, unweighted vibration dampeners attached to the stabilizer are measured as a part of the stabilizer and are subject to the 12-inch rule above.
- Equipment in this class may be shot with finger tab, shooting glove or release.
- AHC archers may use glue-in points. AHC archers shoot from the red stake.

* **Red Stake**

Maximum distance of 40 Yards.

Master Hunter (MHC)

This is an optional class for archers 50 years or older. Archers in this class will use the same equipment as those shooting in the Advanced Hunter Class (AHC).

PLEASE REFER TO AHC STANDARDS FOR EQUIPMENT

* **Yellow Stake**

Maximum distance of 35 Yards.

Modern Bowhunter (MBR)

- A compound, recurve, or longbow shot with or without sights.
- Adjustable single pin sights only with No magnification.
- ATA may not exceed 35' (Maximum of 35.25")
- A sight may have a rear aperture, (i.e., peep sight or fixed rifle type sight).
- Arrows must at least three (3) feathers or vanes no less than 2 inches long (measured minimum 1.75 inches).
- Stabilizers, V-Bars, counterbalances, or weighted attachments may be attached to the bow as long as these items do not extend more than 18 inches from each point of attachment. For the purposes of this rule, any device adding length or weight to the stabilizer shall be considered part of the stabilizer and shall be subject to the 18-inch rule. Unweighted vibration dampeners are not considered to be stabilizers; however, unweighted vibration dampeners attached to the stabilizer are measured as a part of the stabilizer and are subject to the 18-inch rule above.
- Equipment in this class may be shot with finger tab, shooting glove or release.
- MBR archers may use glue-in points.
- For 2026 archers will shoot from the red stake.

* **Red Stake**

Maximum distance of 40 Yards.

Male Aided Extreme (MAE)

- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release.
- The use of a Range Finder is permitted.
- **All "aided" Male archers, utilising any type of sight magnifications, will shoot MAE.**
- If an archer's equipment allocates him in the MAE class and he shoots in AO, he will not be eligible for awards of any kind.
- Advancement to and from the MAE can be immediate.

* **Blue Stake**

Maximum distance of 50 Yards.

Female Aided Extreme (FAE)

- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with no restriction on sights, stabilizers, or style of release. The use of a Range Finder is permitted.
- All "aided" Female archers, utilising any type of sight magnifications will shoot FAE.
- If an archer's equipment allocates him in the FAE class, and he shoots in FHCA, she will not be eligible for awards of any kind.

* **Green Stake**

Maximum distance of 45 Yards

Hunter Class Aided (HCA)

- A compound, recurve, or longbow shot with or without sights.
- A sight shall have fixed pins, cross-hair, or circle style pins.
- If circle style pins are used, all circles must be the same size.
- A sight may have a rear aperture, (i.e., peep sight or fixed rifle type sight).
- Sights may not be adjusted after entering the shooting course.
- Arrows must have at least three (3) feathers or vanes no less than 2 inches long,

- Stabilizers, V-Bars, counter balances, or weighted attachments may be attached to the bow as long as these items do not extend more than 12 inches from each point of attachment. (For the purposes of this rule, any device adding length or weight to the stabilizer shall be considered part of the stabilizer and shall be subject to the 12-inch rule. Unweighted vibration dampeners are not considered to be stabilizers; however, unweighted vibration dampeners attached to the stabilizer are measured as a part of the stabilizer and are subject to the 12-inch rule above.
- Equipment in this class may be shot with finger tab, shooting glove or release. HCA archers may use glue-in points.

* **Green Stake**

Maximum distance of 45 Yards

Aided Open (AO)

- This now competitive class for male shooters will serve as a training ground for the MAE and later the more advanced tournament classes.
- Equipment shall consist of a compound, recurve, or longbow shot with or without sights.
- No restriction on stabilizers, or style of release.
- Moveable + Pivot + Single Pin sights allowed, but without magnification.
- The use of a Range Finder is permitted.

* **Green Stake**

Maximum distance of 45 Yards.

Class Advancement Rule : Aided Classes

- Class Advancement Rule for HCA / FHCA / AO has been removed as from the 2024 3Di Tournament Season,
- Similarly, Class Advancement for all Level 3 IBO Classes remain unchanged and in place.

Female Hunter Class Aided (FHCA)

- This now Competitive class for female shooters will serve as a Training ground for the Female Hunter Class (FHC) and later the more advanced tournament classes.
- The use of a Range Finder is permitted.
- Moveable + Pivot sights allowed, but without magnification.

* **Yellow stake**

Maximum distance of 35 Yards.

Masters Class (MCBH)

* **Dormant as from the 2024 Tournament Season,**

Crossbow Class (X-Bow)

- Crossbows must be standard production crossbows, however, minor modifications such as butt plates, strings, added weight and the like shall be permitted as long as such modifications do not void the manufacturer's warranty or diminish designed safety standards.
- No Hooked Butts, Palm Rests, or extra equipment used for bracing will be allowed. (See section IV, A, 9)

- Trigger assemblies must be standard production by the original crossbow manufacturer and may not be altered in any way.
- Bolts must be no less than 20/64ths in diameter and measure no shorter than 14 inches.
- All bolts must be identical in type and size and point weight.
- Bolts must use at least three (3) vanes or feathers and screw in field points.
- Crossbows shooting up to and including 300 fps must shoot bolts weighing no less than 400 grains.
- Crossbows shooting 301 to 325 fps must shoot bolts weighing no less than 425 grains.
- Crossbows shooting more than 325 fps must shoot bolts weighing no less than 450 grains.
- A maximum speed of 350 fps with 3% variance will be allowed in the Crossbow Class.
- Any type of sight may be used.
- A sight with adjustable elevation may not be adjusted after raising the bow and sighting the target.
- Any archer using a variable power scope shall be responsible to tape or otherwise secure the adjustment setting to create a fixed magnification, prior to beginning competition.
- Crossbows must be in sound condition with a working safety.
- In an effort to supplement the two-minute rule and speed the crossbow loading process, crossbows should be cocked when the shooter is in the on-deck position.
- The safety must remain on crossbow must remain unloaded until the archer is at the stake and ready to shoot.
- The crossbow must be loaded while in a downward position and pointed in the direction of the target. No crossbow may be loaded while pointing up.

* **Blue Stake**

Maximum distance of 50 Yards.

TRADITIONAL CLASSES:

In all traditional style classes the use of Clickers, draw checks, mechanical or electronic devices shall be prohibited as a shooting aid.

All bow weight restrictions shall apply in all traditional classes as in any other class (90Lbs)

Longbow (LB)

A one (1) or two (2) piece longbow shot with fingers directly contacting the bowstring using a glove, finger tab, or bare fingers,

Archers may use up to two (2) nock locating devices, but they must use the same nocking point and anchor point for each shot and the index finger must contact the string in the same place for each shot.

The index finger must touch the nock of the arrow.

Face and/or string walking are not permitted.

No sighting device of any kind may be used.

There shall be no markings on the bow or bowstring (intentional or accidental) that could be construed as sighting marks. No type of draw check or clicker may be used.

Arrows shall be made of wood and shall be uniform in length, weight, and color (allowances shall be made for normal wear).

All nocks must be glue-on but a screw-on tip adapter may be used.

Arrows shall be shot off the hand or shelf of the riser.

A longbow shot in LB shall conform to the following specifications:

1. The bowstring, when the bow is strung, may only contact the nocks of the bow. 2.
2. No stabilizers, counterbalances, or weights of any kind may be attached or built into the bow; except a bow quiver clearly designed to hold arrows.

* **White stake**

Maximum distance of 25 Yards.

Traditional (TRD)

- A recurve or longbow shot with fingers directly contacting the bowstring using a glove, finger tab, or bare fingers.
- Archers may use up to two (2) nock locating devices, but they must use the same nocking point and anchor point for each shot and the index finger must contact the string in the same place for each shot. The index finger must touch the nock of the arrow.
- Face and/or string walking are not permitted.
- No sighting device of any kind may be used.
- There shall be no markings on the bow or bowstring (intentional or accidental) that could be construed as sighting marks.
- No type of draw check will be allowed **or clicker may be used.**
- All arrows must be the same length and weight.
- Aluminium or carbon arrows must have screw-in field points; wood arrows may have glue-on points.
- All arrows must have at least three (3) feathers or vanes no less than four (4) inches long.
- No stabilizers, counterbalances, or weights of any kind may be attached or built into the bow, except a quiver clearly designed to hold arrows.
- Arrows shall be shot off the hand or shelf of the riser only.
- An arrow side plate (if used) may only extend one (1) inch above the arrow.

* **Orange stake**

Maximum distance of 30 Yards.

Female Traditional (FTRD)

- Archers in this female-only class must use the same equipment as the Traditional Class (TRD). ** No type of draw check or clicker may be used.

* **White stake**

Maximum distance of 25 Yards

Vintage Traditional (VT)

* **Dormant as from the 2026 Tournament Season,**

- a. No ILF configuration, adjustable limb angle or adjustable draw weight allowed. Shelf and side plate can only be built up or out ¼ in, with any material.
- b. Arrow must have 12 inches of feather (no plastic veins) and no other material allowed. Must be of the same weight and length. Any arrow material, but identical in color. Screw in or glue on tips only.

A recurve or longbow shot with fingers directly contacting the bowstring using a glove, finger tab, or bare fingers.

Archers may use up to two (2) nock locating devices, but they must use the same nocking point and anchor point for each shot and the index finger must contact the string in the same place for each shot.

You may address the arrow with a 1/8th inch space and the index finger must touch the nock of the arrow at full draw.

Face and/or string walking is not permitted.

No sighting device of any kind may be used.

There shall be no markings on the bow or bowstring (intentional or accidental) that could be construed as sighting marks.

No type of draw check will be allowed.

No stabilizers, counterbalances, or weights of any kind may be attached or built into the bow, except a quiver clearly designed to hold arrows.

An arrow side plate (if used) may only extend one (1) inch above the arrow.

* **White stake**

Maximum distance of 25 Yards

Female Vintage Traditional (FVT)

* **Dormant as from the 2026 Tournament Season,**

FVT will follow the same rules as Vintage Traditional.

* **White stake**

Maximum distance of 25 Yards

Physically Challenged (PCBH)

An optional class for archers that have an impairment recognized by the Americans with Disabilities Act that substantially limits the archer's ability to compete in a regular class requiring physical activities beyond those recognized by the ADA. This class may be shot with a compound, recurve, or longbow with no limitation on stabilizers, sights, or style of release.

* **Orange stake**

Maximum distance of 30 Yards

VI. WARNINGS / RULE VIOLATIONS AND PROTESTS

A. Rule Violations

Any person in violation of the above rules may be warned and or disqualified from the event in which they are participating and may be suspended from membership.

No warnings on serious and or dangerous offences are necessary prior to imposing a disqualification, suspension, other discipline, or penalty.

Range and event officials are to be respected and have the authority to disqualify an archer from an event for unsafe behaviour and / or violations of the above rules.

B. Individual and Group Warnings

The Warning Rule will be defined and enforced as follows,

1. Upon the good faith belief of a serious rule violation the archer may be warned by a fellow archer in his group and or the Range Official.
2. It is the sole responsibility of the archer in breach to ensure that the breach is rectified,
3. A repeat violation if this breach will result in a 5 Point Penalty,
4. Should the breach be condoned and or allowed by the entire group, the entire Group will receive a warning by the presiding Range official.

5. **This Official Warning will be in place for the duration of the Tournament,**

Examples of a serious breach Include but are not limited too :

Time Violations / Unsportsmanlike Conduct as defined by IV.F / Sky Draws / Let Down Rule and Coaching to name but a few,

C. Protests, Appeals, and Requests for Reconsideration

- 1A. At all Triple Crown / Provincial / National and World level events, an archer, upon the good faith belief of a rule violation, may file a protest with the Protest Committee.

The Protest Committee will be made up of at least three members of the Board of Directors and any other persons that the ABO / IBO may designate.

No protest will be heard by the Committee unless the protest is accompanied by R 100 and a written request for consideration that clearly outlines the basis for the protest.

Protests must be turned in no later than 15 minutes after the close of shooting ranges for the day.

The Protest Committee, in its sole discretion, may consider the protest solely on the written submission or may require testimony of available witnesses.

Decisions of the Protest Committee will be made prior to the conclusion of the event, and awards may be issued at the conclusion of the event based on the committee's decision.

This decision shall be final.

The Protest Committee shall preserve all documents submitted.

Written documentation for the basis of the decision, along with all documents shall be forwarded to the 3Di / IBO office for board review.

- 1B. At all other 3Di / IBO-sanctioned competitions: The host club shall resolve all protests by forming a Protest Committee to include any available 3Di / IBO officials.

The host club shall follow the procedures outlined above as much as possible.

The person filing the protest or the person that is being protested may appeal the decision of the Protest Committee to the 3Di Board of Directors by filing a written appeal in the business office within five (5) working days of the Committee's decision.

If an appeal is made, the Protest Committee shall give the Board of Directors all material submitted to them and the written basis for their decision.

The Board of Directors will hear the appeal at the next regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting. The Board of Directors will do their best to resolve the issue in a fair manner based on the information before them. However, archers must realize that some issues are very difficult to resolve after the conclusion of a shoot and an appeal may not be considered by the IBO Board of Directors if, in their opinion, sufficient accurate information cannot be gathered to make an informed decision.

- 1C. The intentional failure of an archer to cooperate with a Protest Committee in its investigation of a protest is unsportsmanlike conduct. The Committee may disqualify or declare the archer ineligible for awards at that event and the archer may be further sanctioned by the IBO for his or her failure to cooperate.

D. Review of Competition by the 3Di / IBO

It is the intent and goal of the 3Di / IBO to encourage participation in archery by providing a fair and equitable competition for every competitor at every 3Di / IBO sanctioned event.

The 3Di also recognizes that it is very difficult for the 3Di and host clubs to set courses, monitor rule violations, tabulate scores, encourage safety, hand out awards, and do all the other things required for a successful competition in a very short time period.

Consequently, the 3Di reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to investigate, review, and/or correct any competitive result based on any violation of rules, unsportsmanlike conduct, shooter eligibility, inadvertence, mistake, harmless error, or any other relevant circumstance, whether or not a protest or request for reconsideration is filed.

VII. ADDITIONAL COMPETITIONS AND AWARDS:

A. Top 10 Shoot-out

This additional award, will reward consistent archers in each qualifying class,

- * A maximum of (10) archers will be displayed for the Top 10 Award,.
- * A class may only have a Top 10 Standing if it had a **minimum of (10) archers** / event in that class / year.
- * You'll need a minimum of (4) scores to be eligible.
- * Your memberships need to be in 'Good Standing' to Qualify for the T10,
- * **The Top 10 / Trophy and or award will be given to the Highest Ranked archer in the Qualifying Class, (No Shoot-Out as from 2026)**
- * The allocation and value of these prizes, are solely at the discretion of the 3Di Board of Directors.

B. 3Di National Triple Crown – “Best of the Best”

The overall winners of each eligible class at the 3Di National Championship Triple Crown will

be eligible to compete in the Best-of-the-Best competition at the 3Di National Championships.

- * The Archer must shoot the equipment used to win his or her respective class !
- * **The use of Range Finders in The-Best-of-the-Best Shoot-Out is NOT allowed.**

C. 3Di National Championships

The 3Di National Championships will be OPEN to all archers with no regard to Class / Age / Race / Sex or handicap.

Please Note: The National Champion in any 3Di Class must have attained a Weighted Average by the end of Day 2 of the National event to be crowned National Champion. This will require that an archer must have at least obtained (2) scores, **other than the Previous Nationals**, within a class during the competition year prior to the National Championships.

D. 3Di Shooter of the Year,

In order to qualify for Shooter of the Year, an archer must participate in at least four (4) of the following events:

- Any sanctioned 3Di Provincial Event
- National Triple Crown
- National Championships
- World Championship

A class must have at least 5 separate participants in order to give an award in that class. 'Separate Participants' is defined as displaying in the Top 10 Standing of that Tournament season

E. Race 2 the Buckle

The IBO Buckle has been one of the most sought after awards on the IBO Tournament circuit for decades, 2025 will see the introduction of the **3Di Race 2 the Buckle** Series of events,

Buckle Events will be clearly marked on the Tournament calendar with Triple Crown and Nationals Championship events being Compulsory,

The following Criteria will apply,

- Only Level 3 / 4 Amateur Classes will be eligible,
- There must be a Minimum of 10 Archers in the Class to be awarded a Buckle,
- You will need 10 Scores of which Leg 1 / 2 / 3 and the Nationals are compulsory,
- In addition, your Top 2 Provincial / Flagged Sponsored Events will be added,
- The majority of the Race 2 the Buckle Events must be PEER Grouped,

A class must have at least 10 separate participants in order to award a Buckle in that class. 'Separate Participants' is defined as displaying in the Top 10 Standing of that Tournament

season

F. Grand Slam Award

Beginning in 2012, the IBO established a special award for any archer winning ALL 3 Legs of the National Triple Crown and the National Championship in 1 Tournament Calendar year.

A class must have at least 5 separate participants in order to give an award in that class. 'Separate Participants' is defined as displaying in the Top 10 Standing of that Tournament season.

The End - Last Updated – December 2025