

3-D ARCHERY
A GUIDE TO COURSE DESIGN

ANNEX A - CANADIAN 3-D ROUND

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On 12 and 13 Dec 1992, the Federation of Canadian Archers (FCA) developed a proposed national 3-D round. This was done to establish a standard 3-D round for all 3-D requirements. Event principles were also developed, these principles are:

- # 1 - Safe,**
- # 2 - Simple set of rules,**
- # 3 - Fun & Competitive,**
- # 4 - Family event,**
- # 5 - Fair,**
- # 6 - Informal,**
- # 7 - Equitable, and**
- # 8 - Appeal mechanism.**

The Canadian national 3-D rules are:

1. TARGETS

- a. A round consists of twenty life-size 3-D targets with IBO standard inner ring (vitals) and outer ring(wound). Note: standard templates are available from IBO to fit 3-D targets.
- b. Targets consist of a variety of animals indigenous to North America. In a round, a maximum of two targets shall be smaller than a fox.
- c. Pictures of the targets and their vital areas must be posted at the competition site.
- d. The National Championships consist of three (3) rounds on separate courses.

2. SCORING

- a. One (1) arrow per target: 20 points for the inner ring, 15 points for the outer ring, 10 points for a hit which sticks in the animal and is outside the rings. Arrows in the horns or hooves are worth zero (0) points.

- b. Passthroughs may be scored as agreed by the group, if no agreement the arrow may be reshot.
- c. Arrows must be scored by both scorers before being pulled. Arrows pulled early score zero (0) points.
- d. Double scoring is required. Scorecards must be legible and complete.

3. CLASSES

Age and Gender;

- (1) Age classes same as FCA existing age categories:

CUBS: 13 and under as of Jan 1,

CADETS: 14 and 15 years of age as of Jan 1,

JUNIORS: 16 and 17 years of age as of Jan 1,

SENIORS: at least 18 years of age as of Jan 1.

- (2) Each age class have separate Men and Women categories, except Cubs which will combine Men and Women categories.

Equipment;

- (1) Draw weight cannot exceed 80 lbs. @ 28" for all classes and have a minimum of 40 lbs @ 28" for senior classes.
- (2) Arrows must have a minimum weight of 5 grains/pound of draw weight.
- (3) Sights, stabilizers, and V-bars must not extend beyond twelve inches from the forward edge of the bow or nearest point of attachment (except Unlimited class).
- (4) Overdraws, string silencers, clickers, brushguards and quivers are permitted.
- (5) Binoculars, cameras, rangefinders are not permitted.
- (6) Field points or bullet points only, broadheads are not allowed.
- (7) For sighted classes, an unlimited number of sight pins are allowed. Pins must be set prior to the competition and are not allowed to be moved on the course.
- (8) Cub class has one category: Open. Any equipment/gender combination is allowed.
- (9) The governing body (ie., club, PSO, FCA) determines equipment classes.
- (10) For National Championships any class with three (3) participants or less, for three (3) consecutive years is eligible to be discontinued.

(11) For the National Championships the following equipment classes shall be used;

Longbow

- Longbow of straight design only.
- When strung the string must not touch the limbs after leaving the string grooves at the tips.
- The handle must be of a straight design only.
- Arrow rest must be of shelf type and may be covered with noise retarding material.
- Bow strings may have one nocking point and serving in the centre and on the end loops only. No other add-ons are allowed on longbows or strings.
- Longbow shooters may not use any sighting devices or releases other than gloves, finger tabs or fingers.

Recurve Unsighted

- A recurve with no sighting device or release aids.
- A rest and plunger and clickers are all that may reside in the sight window.
- There will be no markings on the bow or string that may be construed as sighting aids.
- May be shot with fingers, gloves or finger tabs.

Compound Unsighted

- A compound bow with no sighting device.
- A rest and plunger and clickers are all that may reside in the sight window.
- There will be no markings on the bow or string that may be construed as sighting aids.
- A release aid is allowed.

Recurve Sighted

- A recurve bow with fixed pins and no release aids.
- A kissers button, peep sight and clicker may be all that resides in the sight window or on the string.

Compound Sighted

- A compound bow with fixed pins and no mechanical release.
- A kissers button, peep sight and clicker will be permitted.
- No hooded sights or optics allowed.
- Lighted sight pins allowed.

Unlimited

- Any combination of archery equipment that does not fit or comply with any of the classes above such as; levels, longer than 12" stabilizers, optics, etc.
- No hooded or ringed sights or any device that can be considered a rangefinder allowed.

4. COURSE

- a. The course must be inspected for safety, shot distance and shot visibility by a Technical Delegate appointed by the governing body.
- b. The maximum distance for any target is 50 metres. For the Cub class, the maximum distance for any target is 20 metres. All targets are unmarked distances.
- c. The inner ring must be visible from the shooting position.

- d. Host club determines the shooting position for each target.
- e. Practice on the course is not allowed. A separate field will be supplied.
- f. Stakes or ribbons are used to mark the shooting position. Yellow stakes/ribbons for the Cub class and blue stakes/ribbons for all other classes. Shooters must be able to physically and comfortably touch the stake/ribbon from their shooting position. Stakes/ribbons furthest from the target are shot first.
- g. Trails must be marked with orange surveyors tape.
- h. Shooting lanes must be groomed.
- i. Each target lane must be numbered at the shooting position and at the target.
- j. Alcohol or drugs are not allowed on the course.

5. SHOOTING RULES

- a. The organizing Committee appoints a Director of Shooting. The Director of Shooting oversees the running of the competition.
- b. The round is started by a shotgun start. There is no time limit at each target, however, no group should disrupt the flow of the competition.
- c. Shooting groups are to be determined by shuffling the scorecards. The number of participants within a group is determined by dividing the number of competitors by the number of targets. There must be a minimum of four (4) participants/group. Groups must rotate their shooting order at each target.
- d. Equipment failures do not warrant a reshot.
- e. Disagreements that require a decision from the director of shooting must be made in writing and submitted to the Director of Shooting, with a \$20.00 fee. Disagreements must be submitted within 20 minutes of the conclusion of competition.

6. ELIGIBILITY

- a. For national championships participants that are residents of Canada must be FCA members.
- b. Non-residents shoot in a Visitors category appropriate for their age, gender and equipment class.