COMMITTEE REPORT

Field and 3D Archery Committee

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Bowstyles

Following the 2021 Congress adopting the motion by which Instinctive Bow was changed into Traditional Bow and dampeners being allowed for Barebow, we have continued our work with the Technical Committee on providing further clarity on what is permitted in the Traditional Bow style as well as how the dampeners may be mounted onto the Barebow. Several interpretations were published pertinent to these matters to assist archers, coaches as well as judges.

Binoculars

Further clarity on use of binoculars is being introduced to avoid discussions among the archers and coaches on when the use of binoculars is permitted during the competition.

New Elimination Format

The discussion on changes to the current Field / 3D championships continued, resulting in a motion being submitted to the upcoming Congress proposing improvements to the elimination part of the Championships. The pool system, which introduced the head-to-head eliminations right after the qualification has brough excitement to the competition, but has proven to be too complex to run by the organizers. The improved system will keep the head-to-head format in a more simple way.

Teams / Mixed Teams

Mixed Team event was tested for both Field and 3D and has proven to be a success. Therefore, the committee is now proposing to raise the number of mixed teams advancing to elimination to eight. Furthermore, for 3D it is being proposed for the team to consist of four archers rather than just three, to ensure Traditional Bow gets a chance to shoot the team event.

Mobile Devices

The promotion of the sport is vital and therefore, the Committee is proposing to allow the use of mobile devices in Field and 3D strictly for the promotion of the sport, not allowing communication between the archers, for non-WRE events.

Rules in general

Further clean-up of the Rules through By-laws was done to ensure proper tight-outs within Book 2 and Book 4.

Meetings

We attended the bi-annual joint committee meeting held on Teams and had discussions with Judges and Constitution and Rules Committee about making the rules simpler to follow and enforce! With Athletes Committee we talked about the format and ideas for the development for the event. We met with Technical and discussed the issues related to changes to the equipment that had been introduced. This year you will note that there are more motions and bylaws from the Field and 3D Archery Committee due to the decision to update the Field and 3D elimination format, changes to the teams/mixed teams and introduction of mobile devices in non-WRE events.

The Committee has also met online several times during its term to discuss and work on the matters which are now being proposed to the Congress.