

**Book 4, Article 22.5.3 (effective April 1, 2013)**

*The Austrian Archery Federation has requested an interpretation with respect to the following sentence: “The vertical part of the shelf may be protected by a hard material”. Specifically, what constitutes a “hard material” for this purpose.*

The Constitution and Rules Committee (“C&R”) finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee.

C&R has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

**Response from the Technical Committee:**

It is the opinion of the Technical Committee that, for purposes of Article 22.5.3, a “hard material” is one which will not deform or compress under the light pressure exerted from the edge of a coin.

**World Archery Technical Committee, 20 March 2013**

**Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 21 March 2013**