

**INTERPRETATIONS**  
**WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

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**Book 5, Article 11.10.3.2**  
**(New Rule Book, Book 4, Article 22.4)**

*Austrian Archery Association has requested an interpretation on instinctive bow riser whether it is legal to work another material into the riser than wood, horn, bamboo etc. what is not a natural material.*

The Constitution and Rules Committee finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee.

The Constitution and Rules Committee has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

Following a further request of interpretation and after further consultation **the final answer from the Technical Committee** on the use of other materials in the riser of the instinctive bow is the following:

A bow of any type, provided it complies with the common meaning of the word bow as used in target archery, that is, an instrument consisting of a handle (grip), riser (no shoot-through type) and two flexible limbs each ending in a tip with a string nock of which the riser is of a natural material (e.g. wood, bamboo, horn). The bow may be of a take-down type and may incorporate metal fittings in the riser for the limb attachment system. The bow may include a single adjustable limb for tiller adjustment only, but may not have adjustable limb pockets for bow weight adjustment. **The riser may include thin synthetic laminates up to 6 mm in width to use for limb/pocket protection or for structural use within the riser, but no more than one quarter of the risers construction may be produced of metal or synthetic materials.**

This is a final interpretation on the matter and any further change can only be done through a bylaw change.

**World Archery Technical Committee, 1 March 2012**  
**Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 1 March 2012**