

INTERPRETATIONS

WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES

Book 5, Article 11.10.3.4.8.1

The Field Archery Committee has requested an interpretation on whether a finger separator is allowed for the Longbow Division in 3D.

The Constitution and Rules Committee (“C&R”) finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee after consultation with the Field Archery 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 unanimous opinion of the Technical Committee that the use of a finger separator in the 3D Longbow division is legal. The use of a finger separator for field archery is specifically permitted in Book 4, Article 9.3.81.1, which states that for all divisions a finger separator is legal. The Technical Committee believes that the finger separator was accidentally left out of Book 5, Article 11.10.3.4.8.1 which is the corresponding section for 3D archery.

It would be inconsistent to allow a finger separator in the Longbow division in Field archery, but disallow it in the Longbow division in 3D archery. Additionally, our Committee feels that it would be a disservice to the athletes not to allow a finger separator to help to reduce finger pinch, especially in a division that requires one finger above the arrow nock and two fingers below the nock.

World Archery Technical Committee, 10 August 2011

Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 16 August 2011