## INTERPRETATIONS

## **WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

## **Book 3, Chapter 11, Articles 11.1.8 and 11.4.8, Book 4, Chapter 22, Articles 22.1.8, 22.3.8, 22.4.7, 22.57**

World Archery Judges Committee has asked whether the use of "thumb-rings" is allowed for any bow category covered under Book 3 or Book 4?

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 majority decision of the Technical Committee that "thumb rings" are not legal in any division of World Archery except for the compound division. Thumb rings can easily be turned into release aids which are only legal in the compound division. Additionally, we do not believe that adding another division in World Archery is in the best interest of the sport as thumb rings should not be allowed in any finger release divisions.

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