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Agenda

- Introductions
- Ethics
- Uniform
- Equipment
- Duties
- Rules
- Practical Workshop
- Exam

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Introductions

Presenters:

- Stephen Sommers
  - WCSA International Judge
- Tony McLoughlan
  - WCSA International Judge

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Ethics (i)

As a judge it is a privilege to officiate at a championships

- Judges assist in making the championships successful
- Judges are there for the benefit and fairness for all
- Keep an open and balanced mind at all times
- Always courteous in your approach
- Listen carefully to explanations
- Never lose control of you temper or emotions
- Always give the competitor the benefit of the doubt

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Ethics (ii)

As a judge it is a privilege to officiate at a championships

- Always put the competitor and the competition first
- Set good example in dress standards
- Stand at attention for national anthems
- Do not smoke or eat whilst on duty
- Do not gather in groups unless required.
- Do not interfere with a competitor whilst shooting unless it is an emergency
- Never allow a person to be abusive

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Accreditation

- A judges accreditation lasts 4 years
- Re-accreditation is NOT automatic
- Judges must be active
- Judges must be fair to all. You ARE representing WCSA.

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Uniform

The judges uniform consists of

- Red polo shirt
- Medium grey trousers/skirt/slacks
- Hat (preferably white) may be worn
- Black shoes (closed toe)
- Protective clothing for inclement weather
- Red Judges Tabard MUST be worn
- For Forest or 3D, trousers, hat and footwear to suit the terrain
    - No camouflage clothing

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Uniform

The judges uniform at a tournament

- Judges at the tournament should be dressed the same
- Protective clothing for inclement weather
- Red Judges Tabard MUST be worn

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Judges Equipment

What is the most important piece of equipment a judge must always have?





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Judges Equipment

- 2m measuring tape
- Magnifying glass (2x or 3x) not more than 7.5cm in diameter
- Loud whistle
- Compact binoculars
- Stop watch
- Latest WCSA Rule book
- Note book
- 2 x Red and 2 x Black pens
- Red disqualification & Yellow warning cards



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Duties

- Check the ground layout
- Check the conduct of shooting & scoring
- Liaise with the D.O.S.
- Process any disputes – incl scoring
- Initial score corrections in red
- Initiate the Target movement
- Replace worn target faces
- Supervise shooting after equipment failures
- Assist with marshalling for doping tests

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Duties

Check the ground layout

WHY???

- Check the shooting lines & lanes are square
- Check that the butts & stands are setup correct
- Ensure that the target faces are placed correctly
- Ensure that the ground is safe
- Recheck at the start of each day

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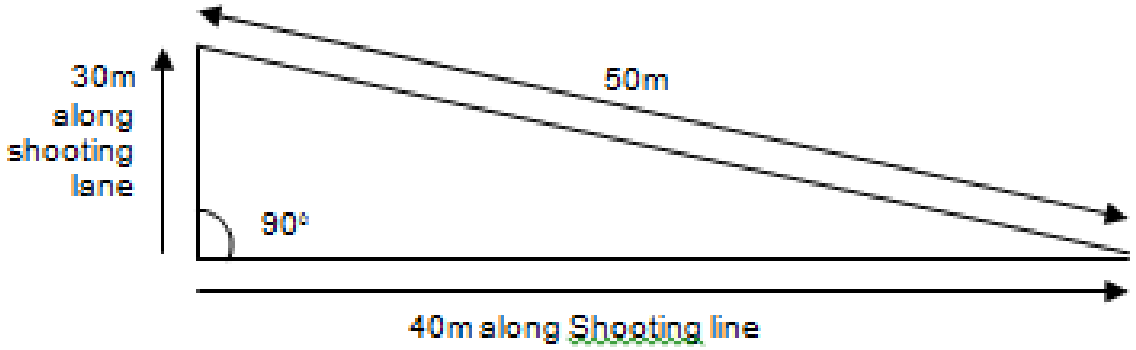
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Duties

Check the ground layout

Check that the shooting line, shooting lanes and target lines are square. One good way to check for squareness is to use a right angled triangle with the 3, 4, 5 system.



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Duties

Check the Competitors Equipment

- Check that the strings are not frayed
- Check that the prods are not cracked
- Bolt retainers are not allowed to guide the bolts
- 2 belts are permitted. – max 50mm wide
- Tight clothing is not permitted
- Ankle support is not permitted
- Sign the equipment check form

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Duties

During the competition

- Safety, **Safety, SAFETY, SAFETY**
- Check for safety of competitors, spectators or animals
- Be prepared to stop the shooting if you are required to.
- If you must stop the shooting, use your whistle or have the D.O.S. stop it.

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Duties

During the competition

- Periodically check the timing with your stop watch
- Move to the targets in line with the other judges
- After scoring, check the target faces and butts for wear & tear and replace them if required.
- Move back to the shooting line in line with the other judges.
- Use your notebook to record and special occurrences or problems.

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Duties

Line Calls

- Move smartly to the target when asked to make a call
- Use your magnifying glass – even if obvious
- Look at the bolt from one side, then the other.
- Give any doubt to the competitor
- Point to the bolt and advise your decision
- Walk back to your waiting position
- Competitors are only allowed 1 judges opinion on a line call

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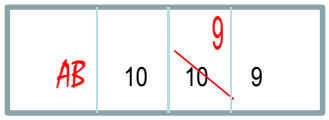
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Duties

Score Corrections

- Make the corrections in red and initial it



- Your only concern is the value of the bolt in the target – not the totals. The totals can be re-added later
- Only make the correction if the bolt is in the target
- Only a judge can correct a bolt value

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Duties

Score Corrections

AB	10	9	10

- A bolt scored out of order should be underlined and initialed in red by a judge.

9	8	M

- A miss is scored with a M through the square
- A – can be altered to a 7 or a 4.
- A 0 can be altered to a 10

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Duties

Scoring

- A 10 not touching a line is referred to as a clear or ring 10
  - For countback purposes it is still a 10
- The competitor is only signing the score card for the bolt value. Not the total value!
- Should a scorer complete the wrong score card, a judge can fix this even if the bolts have been removed as long as both competitors agree to the values.

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Duties

Equipment Failures

- Report all equipment failures to the DOS with the following:
  - Competitor number and Target number
  - Number of bolts to be shot
  - Type of failure & approx time to fix
- The bolts will be made up at the end of the distance
- If required the shooter may test the bow by firing into a practice butt – to ensure safety
- In Target, a prod breakage entitles the competitor to a 3 bolt practice end

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Duties

End or day/tournament

- At the end of each day's shooting and at the end of the tournament the Chairman of Judges will call a meeting to discuss the activities of the event.

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Signals

- 2 whistles to call the shooters to the line
  - Traffic lights are RED
- Wait 10 seconds then 1 whistle
  - Traffic lights turns GREEN
- With 30 seconds left to shoot, the traffic lights turns YELLOW
- At the end of the allotted time 3 whistles are sounded
  - Traffic lights turns RED

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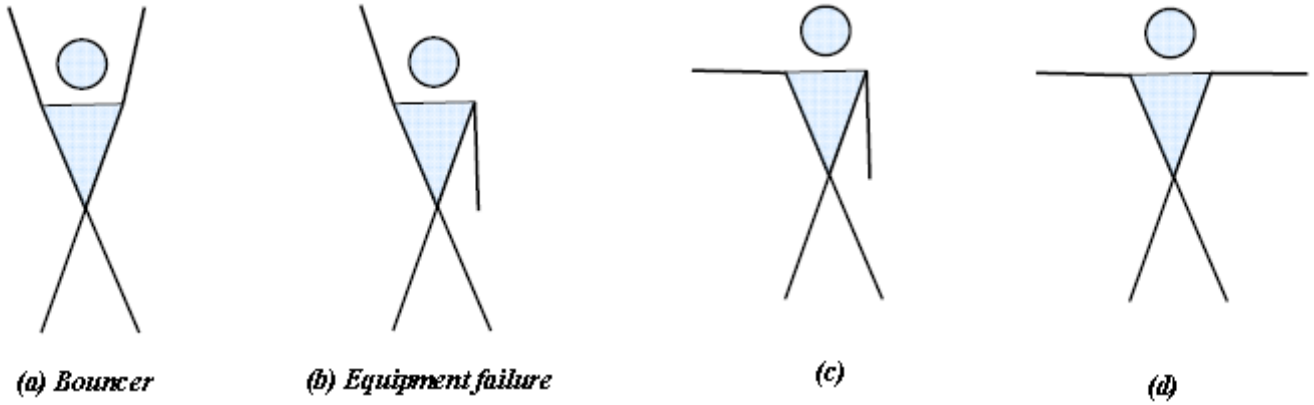
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Signals

Hand Signals

The hand signals may be more useful that a radio. For this reason, the most useful hand signals are listed:



(a) Bouncer (b) Equipment failure (c) (d)

A. Bouncer
B. Equipment failure
C. Proceed with scoring. Also used to indicate the winner in Match Play.
D. Tied match

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Rules

A bolt hitting…..

- Target and rebounding
- Another bolt and lying on the ground
- Target and passing through
- Target and hanging from it
- Another bolt and remaining embeded
- Another bolt and hitting the face
- Another competitors target face

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