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Assisted Shooters**

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1 PRECEDENCE, INTERPRETATION AND AMENDMENTS

- 1.1 Amendments to these Rules can only be made in accordance with the World Crossbow Shooting Association (WCSA) Constitution.
- 1.2 The general interpretation and maintenance of these rules will be the responsibility of the Technical Committee.
- 1.3 For any special exceptions to these rules the permission of the Executive of the World Crossbow Shooting Association must be obtained.
- 1.4 In cases of difficulties arising out of differences in the interpretation of these rules, the original English text will prevail. If there is a conflict between these rules and the World Crossbow Shooting Association Constitution, the latter will take precedence.
- 1.5 Gender: References to the male gender will import the female gender and conversely, except where the context indicates that the matter is gender specific.

2 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

World Crossbow Shooting Association (WCSA) will arrange for the organisation of a World Target Championship, 3D Championship events and two (2) Postal Championship being Indoor and Bench/Prone/Kneeling. (BOOK 11 - ADDENDUM 1)

2.1 THE WORLD TARGET CHAMPIONSHIP

will be held every two (2) years during odd years. (e.g., 2021, 2023, 2025, 2027, 2029, 2031 etc.)

- 2.1.1
 - a) **WCSA World Target Championship.**
For the Classes of Open, Senior, Senior 70+, Intermediate and Junior Competitors who are members of the WCSA. It will be decided on one round per day over two (2) days of competition of Double TC900/65/60, SC600/55/60, FC600/55/60, MC900/40/60 Rounds. Day one (1) distances to be shot in the order of longest to shortest. Day two (2) will be in the order shortest to longest. (BOOK 2 - Clause 32)
 - b) **WCSA World Match Play Championship.**
The World Match-play Championships (Individual and Team) will take place every two (2) years during odd years (e.g., 2021, 2023, 2025, 2027, 2029, 2031 etc.). Target, Standard, Freestyle, and Medieval Crossbow Match Play Championships will be held after the World Target Championship unless special dispensation for any of them to be held separately has been granted by the WCSA Executive. Competitors decided from the results of the Target Championship. (BOOK 2 - Clause 32)
 - c) **WCSA World Forest Championship.**
For the Classes of Open, Senior, Senior 70+, Intermediate and Junior Competitors who are members of the WCSA It will be decided on a twenty-four (24) target - Forest Round using approved animal target faces over one (1) day of competition. (BOOK 2 - Clause 32)
 - d) **WCSA World Bushland Round**
For the Classes of Open, Senior, Senior 70+, Intermediate and Junior Competitors who are members of the WCSA. It will be decided on a twenty-four (24) target - Bushland Round using NFAA Hunter Field target faces over one (1) day of competition. (BOOK 2 - Clause 32)
- 2.1.2 The **WCSA - World Target Championship medals** shall be awarded on the combined scores from the two (2) days of the Target Championship rounds. (BOOK 11 - ADDENDUM 1)
- 2.1.3 The **WCSA - World Forest Championship medals** shall be awarded on the combined scores from the Forest round and the Bushland round conducted over two days and shall be conducted using unmarked distances. (BOOK 11 - ADDENDUM 1)

2.2 THE WORLD 3D CHAMPIONSHIP.

will be held every two (2) years during even years. (e.g., 2020, 2022, 2024, 2026, 2028, 2030 etc.)

2.2.1 WCSA World 3D Championship.

For the Classes of Open, Senior, Senior 70+, Intermediate and Junior Competitors who are members of the WCSA. It will be decided on a twenty-four (24) target - 3D Round shot each day over two (2) days of competition. (BOOK 2 - Clause 32)

- 2.2.2 The 3D round shall be conducted with unmarked distances. (BOOK 11 - ADDENDUM 1)
- 2.2.3 The **WCSA World 3D Championship medals** shall be awarded on the combined scores from the two (2) days of the 3D Championship rounds. (BOOK 11 - ADDENDUM 1)

2.3 THE WORLD INDOOR TARGET CHAMPIONSHIP

The World Indoor Target Championships will take place as frequently as required but not closer than two (2) years apart and must be conducted during even years (e.g., 2020, 2022, 2024, 2026, 2028, 2030 etc.). Target Crossbow, Standard Crossbow, Freestyle Crossbow and Medieval Crossbow Indoor Championships will be held in conjunction together unless special dispensation for any of them to be held separately has been granted by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive.

2.3.1 WCSA Indoor Target Championships.

For the Classes of Open, Senior, Senior 70+, Intermediate and Junior Competitors who are members of the WCSA. It will be decided on a Double TC 600/18/40 round shot over two (2) consecutive days of competition and will include a Match-play Championship. (BOOK 6 - Clause 41)

- 2.3.1.1 The Executive of the World Crossbow Shooting Association may conduct the World Indoor Target Championships as a Postal Event to enable all members to participate. A Postal World Indoor Target Championships will be decided on a Double TC 600/18/40 round shot over (1) one or (2) two registered shoots within four weeks of each other and within the specified dates of the Postal Event and will NOT include a Match-play Championships.

2.3.2 WCSA Indoor Match-play Championships

The World Indoor Match-play Championships (Individual and Team) will take place every two (2) years during even years (e.g., 2020, 2022, 2024, 2026, 2028, 2030 etc.). Target Crossbow, Standard Crossbow, Freestyle Crossbow, and Medieval Crossbow Match Play Championships will be held after the Indoor Target Championship unless special dispensation for any of them to be held separately has been granted by the WCSA Executive. Competitors decided from the results of the Indoor Target Championship. (BOOK 7 - Clause 42)

2.4 THE BENCH, KNEELING and PRONE ROUND CHAMPIONSHIPS.

2.4.1 WCSA Bench, Kneeling and Prone Round Championships.

Bench, Kneeling (Medieval Only) and Prone will have the following divisions, being Target crossbow, Standard crossbow, Freestyle crossbow and Medieval crossbow. It will be decided on a BTC, BSC, BFC 600/70/40 for Target crossbow, Standard crossbow and Freestyle crossbow and a KMC 600/50/40 for Medieval crossbow shot over (1) day of competition. No separation between Men, Women, Junior, Senior and Assisted.

- 2.4.2 The Bench, Kneeling (Medieval only) and Prone Round Championships will take place as frequently as required but no closer than two (2) years apart and must be conducted during even years (e.g., 2020, 2022, 2024, 2026, 2028, 2030 etc.).

- 2.4.3 The Executive of the World Crossbow Shooting Association may conduct the World Bench, Kneeling (Medieval only) and Prone Round Championships as a Postal Event.

2.5 HOSTING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Federations looking at hosting a World Championship must prepare a formal written proposal to the Executive of the World Crossbow Shooting Association.

- 2.5.1 In the written proposal: (Guidelines for conduct of World and Regional Championship)
- Consideration must be made for full teams from all Member Federation, Individual Members as well as competitors who are not members of the World Crossbow Shooting Association. The venue details as to the size and location, number of targets/competitors, shooting direction and safety.
 - Availability of accommodation, transport, and administrative support arrangements.
 - A detailed budget including sponsorship, government support, manpower, officials, experience of the Organisers, etc.
- 2.5.2 Such presentations will be voted upon by the Executive.
- 2.5.3 World Championships will be conducted in accordance with these Shooting Rules.
- 2.5.4 at a World Championships there must be at least three (3) financial Member Federations represented and/or thirty (30) Individual Members competing unless special dispensation is granted by the Executive.

3 REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 3.1 Regions may arrange for the organisation of their own Regional Championships.
- 3.2 The Regional Championships
- a) may take place every two (2) years, but not more frequently.
 - b) must be notified to and registered with the World Crossbow Shooting Association.
 - c) must not have conflicting dates with World Championships. As a guide, Regional Championships should be held in even years. (e.g., 2020, 2022, 2024, 2026, 2028, 2030 etc.)
 - d) will be conducted in accordance with the World Crossbow Shooting Association - Shooting Rules.
 - e) there must be at least two (2) financial Member Federations represented and/or fifteen (15) Individual Members competing unless special dispensation is granted by the Executive.
- 3.3 A Member Federation may belong to only one Region. If its Territory is situated in more than one area, or in a border area, or for any other serious reason/s it may choose the Region to which it will belong. The Region chosen must be notified to World Crossbow Shooting Association three (3) months prior to it taking effect.
- 3.4 Regions will be as determined by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Council from time to time.

4 WCSA - STAR TOURNAMENTS

- 4.1 Star Tournaments are those tournaments which may be conducted by a Member Federation for the purposes of awarding individual achievement performances. Star Tournaments must be registered with the World Crossbow Shooting Association, a minimum of 14 days and preferably six (6) months prior to the conduct of the event.
- 4.2 The registration fee and purchase price of the World Crossbow Shooting Association Star Badges will be set by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive from time to time.
- 4.3 World Crossbow Shooting Association Stars are claimable for the following scores when they are achieved,
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|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| Outdoor Target: | for TC 900/65/60 | - 700, 750, 800, 820, 840, 850, 860, 870, 880, 890, 900 |
| Standard & Freestyle: | for SC 600/55/60 & FC 600/55/60 | - 450, 500, 540, 570, 580, 590, 600 |
| Medieval: | for MC 900/40/60 | - 600, 650, 700, 750, 800, 850, 860, 870, 880, 890, 900 |
| Indoor Target: | for TC & SC & FC & MC 600/18/25 | - 450, 500, 540, 570, 580, 590, 600 |
| Indoor Target: | for TC & SC & FC & MC 600/18/40 | - 450, 500, 540, 570, 580, 590, 600 |
- 4.4 All World Crossbow Shooting Association World and Regional Championships are automatically registered as World Crossbow Shooting Association Star Tournaments.
- 4.5 Conditions to claim a World Crossbow Shooting Association Star:
- a) It must be at a World Crossbow Shooting Association Registered Star Tournament and shot to World Crossbow Shooting Association Shooting Rules.
 - b) The tournament must be registered, and any fees paid before the tournament takes place.
 - c) World Crossbow Shooting Association Stars can only be purchased from the World Crossbow Shooting Association by paying the purchase price.
 - d) Member Federations may purchase bulk quantities from the World Crossbow Shooting Association to hold in stock.

5 RIGHTS OF PARTICIPATION AND CITIZENSHIP

- 5.1
- a) Only individuals who are financial members of a financial National Federation or financial Club of the World Crossbow Shooting Association will participate for positions, awards, and records in World Crossbow Shooting Association sanctioned events.
 - b) Only individuals who are approved financial members directly with the World Crossbow Shooting Association and approved by the World Crossbow Shooting Association executive will participate for positions, awards, and records in World Crossbow Shooting Association sanctioned events.
- 5.1.1 World Crossbow Shooting Association invited Organisations or invited Individual participants may only compete for special prizes / awards arranged by the Organising Committee.
- 5.2 **Eligibility**
- 5.2.1 To be eligible to participate as a Member of a National Team in World Crossbow Shooting Association registered events, a competitor must have in his possession a valid passport from the country of which he is a National Team Member; or if he is to be a Member of another National Team he must have

resided in the new country for at least one year and must have the written permission of the Member Federation, if any, of the country from which he has a valid passport. Nationals of the host Federation who do not have a valid passport, must provide alternative proof of Citizenship or Residency to the satisfaction of the organising committee. It is the responsibility of all Federations to validate the eligibility of each of their National Team members.

5.2.2 The submission of entry forms implies a declaration

- a) For World Crossbow Shooting Association Members that the Individual Member or Member Federation or Member Club is financial and in good standing with the World Crossbow Shooting Association and that the Individual Member expenses will be covered by themselves and that all competitors and or official's expenses will be covered by the respective Member Federation in case of illness or accident. Should this not be the case then those Individual Members or Member Federations will not be permitted to compete in the Championships.
- b) Invited participants of the World Crossbow Shooting Association that the Individual Competitor, Competitor's Association, Competitors Club and/or Official/s is financially viable and that in case of illness or accident the Individual Competitor's and/or Official/s expenses will be covered by the Individual Competitor, the Competitors' Association, Competitors' Club and/or the Official/s. Should this not be the case then those Individual Competitors, Competitors Associations or Competitors Club and/or Official/s will not be permitted to compete in the Championships.

5.2.3 Team officials participating in the Championships must abide by these Shooting Rules.

5.2.4 For Team entries, (*BOOK 2 - clause 11*).

5.3 Competitor Classes

For Target, Medieval, Standard and Freestyle crossbow.

- 5.3.1 **OPEN:** For competitors of any age who are WCSA members who cannot or do not want to enter any of the listed classes.
- 5.3.2 **SENIOR:** For competitors who have attained the age of 55 years and not attained the age of 70 years on or before the first day of competition.
- 5.3.3 **SENIOR 70+:** For competitors who have attained the age of 70 years on or before the first day of competition.
- 5.3.4 **INTERMEDIATE:** For competitors who have attained the age of 15 years and have not attained the age of 20 years on or before the first day of competition.
- 5.3.5 **JUNIOR:** For competitors who have not attained the age of 15 years on or before the first day of competition.

For Assisted Target, Medieval, Standard and Freestyle crossbow.

- 5.3.6 **ASSISTED OPEN:** For competitors of any age who are WCSA members who cannot or do not want to enter any of the listed classes.
- 5.3.7 **ASSISTED SENIOR:** For competitors who have attained the age of 55 years and not attained the age of 70 years on or before the first day of competition.
- 5.3.8 **ASSISTED SENIOR 70+:** For competitors who have attained the age of 70 years on or before the first day of competition.
- 5.3.9 **ASSISTED INTERMEDIATE:** For competitors who have attained the age of 15 years and have not attained the age of 20 years on or before the first day of competition.
- 5.3.10 **ASSISTED JUNIOR:** For competitors who have not attained the age of 15 years on or before the first day of competition.

5.4 Standards

Due to the large number of divisions available and the possible low numbers in a division and to ensure a competitive competition there must be at least two competitors in any one division.

5.5 Invited Competitors

- 5.5.1 The World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive may invite specific Competitors. Such competitors can be individuals or complete teams. All invited competitors will be assessed for competency, safety, and knowledge of these shooting rules to the satisfaction of the Technical Committee and/or Tournament Judges Commission.
- 5.5.2 Acceptance of an invited competitor will not disadvantage Member Federations or Individual Members, particularly with regard to target availability.

6 ELIGIBILITY CODE

- 6.1 Competitors will respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence and behave accordingly on the sports field.
- 6.2 Competitors will refrain from using substances and procedures prohibited and will respect and comply in all aspects with the laws and Anti-Doping Policy of the World Crossbow Shooting Association and the World Anti-Doping Agency as applicable.
- 6.3 A competitor may allow his or her person, name, picture, or sport performances to be used for advertising purposes and may accept prizes and/or money without any restriction or limit.
- 6.4 Competitors will comply with the requirements of any World Crossbow Shooting Association sponsorship contracts during World Crossbow Shooting Association Championships.
- 6.5 Competitors may wear advertising in addition to the normal manufacturer's trademarks on the articles worn. The Manufacturers Trademark is the registered mark of the company which produced the item. If a company has an item made for it under contract, the label of the item, if appropriate to the item, will correspond to its trademark.
- 6.6 Competitors may have advertising on their personal and technical equipment (e.g., crossbows, bags, etc.) in addition to the item's normal trademark.
- 6.7 Each competitor must have their own shooting equipment (Crossbow and Bolts) and this equipment must comply with the World Crossbow Shooting Association Shooting Rules.
- 6.8 All competitors with the exception of Assisted Arbalists with an Assistant, will span, load, and shoot their own shooting equipment without assistance during official competition.

7 PROGRAM, OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS AND CEREMONIES

7.1 Program

7.1.1 The program of the World Championships will be established by the Organising Committee with the approval of the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive and will be published in the invitation to the Championships.

7.1.2 It will include:

- a) Team Managers Meeting
- b) Equipment Inspection
- c) Official Practice
- d) Opening Ceremony
- e) Competition
- f) Awards Presentation
- g) Closing Ceremony
- h) Farewell Function

7.2 Reception

7.2.1 Where possible at World Championships a reception for the official representatives of the participating Member Federations and representatives of the World Crossbow Shooting Association should take place.

7.3 Opening Ceremony

7.3.1 At the beginning of the World Championships there will be an Opening Ceremony during which the necessary flags will be raised. Competitors and Team Officials should parade as National teams on the field during the ceremony. The Organising Committee may provide cultural or other entertainment as it considers appropriate.

7.4 Awards Ceremony

7.4.1 The President of the WCSA, or President's representative, or official dignitary (which may include sponsors representatives) will present the place winners with their awards on the field immediately after completion of the competition and the scores have been confirmed. Followed by presentation of Special prizes / awards for invited participants (BOOK 2 - clause 7.5.1).

7.5 Distribution of Special Prizes/awards

7.5.1 These will be distributed after the presentation of the main awards (BOOK 2 - clause 7.4).

7.6 Closing Ceremony

7.6.1 At the completion of the World Championships and after any Award presentations have been completed, there will be a closing ceremony at which the World Crossbow Shooting Association Flag

will be presented to the representative of the organisers of the next World Crossbow Shooting Association World Championships (if they have a representative present).

7.7 Farewell Function

7.7.1 There will be a social function at the completion of the World Championships to which all competitors and visitors will be invited.

8 DRESS REGULATIONS

- 8.1 World Crossbow Championships are special occasions very often attended by Dignitaries from various Governments and Organisations. It is therefore respectful that all competitors and officials participating in the opening and closing ceremonies should be properly dressed in their Member Federation Uniform, Team Uniform, Club Uniform or dressed in all white. Medieval Competitors may wear medieval type clothing.
- 8.2 During the competitions all competitors must wear Member Federation, Team Uniform, Club Uniform, or all whites.
- a) Women are required to wear dresses, skirts, divided skirts, shorts, or trousers (slacks) and shirts, blouses, or tops (which will cover the front and back of the body and be fixed over each shoulder).
 - b) Men are required to wear full length trousers or shorts and long or short sleeved shirts.
 - c) Dresses, skirts, divided skirts, and shorts may not be shorter than the competitor's fingertips when the arms and fingers are extended at the competitor's side.
 - d) Sweaters/cardigans may be worn.
 - e) Track suits supplied to the team as official uniform will be permitted.
 - f) All members of one team, men or women must be dressed in the same Team uniform.
 - g) For safety reasons, Camouflage Clothing is **NOT** permitted to be worn during competition events.
 - h) Enclosed Footwear must be worn by all competitors at all times during the tournament.
 - i) Medieval Competitors may wear Medieval type clothing during the competition.
- 8.3 Competitor's registration number is to be prominently displayed on the competitors back and to be visible at all times while shooting is in progress.
- 8.4 Competitors are permitted to wear clothing, etc., on which appears the name and/or the official insignia, flag, or emblem of the country they represent, without restriction as to size.
- 8.5 No slogans/sayings/drawings of any kind will appear on clothing worn by the competitors or officials at any time during the tournament except as specified in the eligibility rules.
- 8.6 During inclement weather appropriate loose protective clothing may be worn (e.g., wet weather or warm clothing).

9 ACCREDITATIONS

- 9.1 The Organising Committee will issue to each participant and official appropriate accreditation, in accordance with WCSA policy.
- 9.2 The proof of accreditation will be carried at all times on the competition area and must be shown on the request of appropriate officials.
- 9.3 Only holders of appropriate accreditation will be allowed on to the relevant parts of the competition area.

10 CHAMPIONSHIP DOCUMENTS

- 10.1 The Organisers are responsible for producing the following documents:
- a) A program for the Championship indicating dates, times and location of all competitions, ceremonies, occasions, and services of interest to competitors and officials; this program must have been approved by the WCSA Executive.
 - b) Two lists of competitors, one with the indication of team officials and their championship address, and the other with division, target allocation and competition numbers.
 - c) An interim results list, to be distributed after each distance, each match, or each phase of the competition.
 - d) A final, detailed results list of the scores of all competitors and/or teams with the indication of all title winners to be distributed to all Competitors, Team Managers, the WCSA President and Secretary General (for the WCSA web site) within one (1) month of the closing day of the Championship.

11 TEAM AND INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS

- 11.1 At World Championships, Team and Individual competitions will be conducted in accordance with these Competition Rules.
- 11.2 Team Competitions
- 11.2.1 Each World Crossbow Shooting Association Member Federation has the right to enter teams which will be made up only of Nationals from that Country.
- Each Federation shall submit to the Organising committee in writing and signed by an official of the Federation the names of those competitors including reserve competitors who have been selected to be members of that Federations Teams. Submissions to be received prior to Day 1 of the Championship program (BOOK 11 - Addendum 1). Any competitor not listed will be considered as an individual competitor in the championship.
- 11.2.2 A competitor may only be a member of one (1) team.
- 11.2.3 A Federation may enter up to five (5) teams in each division.
- 11.2.4 The constitution of teams for All Target, Indoor, Forest, Bushland, and 3D will be:
- WCSA MIXED TARGET: Any Three (3) Target Crossbow competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
 - WCSA MIXED STANDARD: Any Three (3) Standard Crossbow competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
 - WCSA MIXED FREESTYLE: Any Three (3) Freestyle Crossbow competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
 - WCSA MIXED ASSISTED: Any Two (2) Assisted competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
 - WCSA MIXED MEDIEVAL: Any Three (3) Medieval competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
- 11.2.5 The constitution of teams for All Matchplay will be:
- WCSA MIXED TARGET: Any Three (3) Target Crossbow competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
 - WCSA MIXED STANDARD: Any Two (2) Standard Crossbow competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
 - WCSA MIXED FREESTYLE: Any Two (2) Freestyle Crossbow competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
 - WCSA MIXED ASSISTED: Any Two (2) Assisted competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
 - WCSA MIXED MEDIEVAL: Any Three (3) Medieval competitors who entered and competed in any of the WCSA championship events.
- 11.2.6 Awards for teams will be decided on the aggregate team score.
- 11.3 Substitute Competitors
- 11.3.1 Federations may select members as team reserves. They must be listed by name and substituted in order of their listing. Such substitutes may only be made with the consent of the Organising Committee. No substitutions will be permitted after the start of the competition.
- 11.4 Individual Competitors
- 11.4.1 These may be individuals from World Crossbow Shooting Association financial Member Federations, World Crossbow Shooting Association financial Member Clubs, World Crossbow Shooting Association financial Individual Members, or Individuals invited by the WCSA Executive. There may be as many Individual Competitors, irrespective of whether they are part of their Federation's Team, as can be accommodated by the Organising Committee.
- 11.5 A World Crossbow Shooting Association financial Member Federation and Clubs which do not have enough competitors to enter a full team may enter their Members as individual competitors (BOOK 2 - clause 5.1.1).
- 11.6 The reigning individual World Champions have the right to participate in the next World Championships as individual competitors.

12 TARGET ASSIGNMENT

12.1 OUTDOOR AND INDOOR TARGET

12.1.1 Target Numbers: At World Crossbow Shooting Association World Championships the assignment of Target Numbers will be the responsibility of the Organising Committee. One competitor will be assigned to each target face.

12.1.2 The Organising Committee will conduct a draw for Target Numbers prior to the first Official Practice session, witnessed by the Chairman of the Judges Commission, Team Managers and a Representative of the Technical Committee and Executive, as follows:

12.1.3.1 There will be as many cards as there are competitors (after the champions target allocation) taking part each card bearing the name of one competitor. They will be placed in and drawn from a container. All competitors will be drawn irrespective of sex, age, or physical ability. Guest Competitors at the Championships will be incorporated and drawn at the same time as their category is drawn.

12.1.3.2 The Chairman or Secretary of the Organising Committee will draw the competitors' names which will be allocated numerically in ascending order to each target in turn following on from the present World Champions target allocations until all competitors have been allocated a target.

12.1.3.3 The Organising Committee will notify in writing to members of the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive who are present, the Judges Commission, the Director of Shooting, Team Managers, and Individual Competitors the target allocations immediately after the draw has been completed. A list of target allocations will be placed on display by the Organising Committee, for the spectators and members of the Press.

12.1.3 Second Day Target Assignment

12.1.3.1 Target assignments for the second day of Outdoor and Indoor Target Competition may be allocated according to the individual competitor's score after the first TC 900, MC 900, SC 600 and FC 600 or Indoor 600 Round (all bow types) has been completed. The highest scoring competitor will be assigned to target 1, the second highest scoring competitor to target 2 and continued in that order until all competitors have been assigned a target.

12.2 FOREST, BUSHLAND, AND 3D ROUNDS

12.2.1 Target Groups: At World Crossbow Shooting Association World Championships the assignment of Target Groups will be the responsibility of the Organising Committee. Normally 4 shooters are assigned per group but 3 shooters per group is permitted to enable organisers to accommodate all competitors in groups of 4 or 3. Groups of less than 3 or more than 4 are NOT permitted. There will preferably be no more than two (2) competitors from the same Federation in the same target group.

12.2.2 The Target Group assignments will be done by the Organising Committee to allow for the best running of the event. It may be beneficial to have any Assisted Competitors in the same group as their Championship Round. Target numbers may have to be modified slightly to accommodate their chair and movement situation. (this allows flexibility to the Organising Committee)

12.2.3 The Groups will be numbered from 1 upwards and the competitors will be allocated a letter either A, B, C or D so that the number 1 group will be allocated 1A, 1B, 1C and 1D, number 2 group 2A, 2B, 2C, 2D and continued on.

12.2.4 The groups can be allocated any numbered Target to start on. For example, group 1 could be allocated to start at target number 13.

12.2.5 The Organising Committee will notify in writing to members of the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive who are present, the Judges Commission, Team Managers, and Individual Competitors the group allocations immediately after the draw has been completed. A list of Group allocations will be placed on display by the Organising Committee, for the spectators and members of the Press.

12.2.6 After each day's shooting the competitors will be reallocated into groups according to the individual competitor's score. The 4 highest scoring competitors will be assigned to Group 1, the second 4 highest scoring competitors to Group 2 and continued in that order until all competitors have been assigned a target.

12.3 BENCH, KNEELING and PRONE ROUND

12.3.1 Target Numbers: At World Crossbow Shooting Association World Championships the assignment of Target Numbers will be the responsibility of the Organising Committee. One competitor will be assigned to each target face.

13 COMPETITOR NUMBERS

- 13.1 The Organising Committee will issue all competitors with Competitor Numbers, such that they may be visible from a distance of at least fifty (50) metres. The recommended size of the sheet will be equivalent to A4 size with numbers minimum 100 mm high. Such competitor numbers may carry sponsor logos.
- 13.2 Competitors will wear their Competitor Number on the middle of the back, in such a manner as to be visible at all times while shooting is in progress, including while wearing weatherproof clothing.

14 OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION

- 14.1 The Organising Committee will provide a Notice Board for the posting of information for Individual Competitors and kept up to date. This will be located within easy access of the shooting ground.

15 EQUAL SHOOTING CONDITIONS

- 15.1 Shooting conditions in terms of the condition of the ground surface, visual distraction, noise, climatic conditions, light, etc, will be uniform for all competitors in a category, as far as is reasonably possible.

16 MEDALS, TROPHIES AND PERFORMANCE AWARDS

16.1 Medals

- 16.1.1 World Crossbow Shooting Association Championship medals will be awarded to the first, second and third place in each category, division, and event of the Championships.
- 16.1.2 In Team Events all members of the teams in first, second and third place will receive medals.
- 16.1.3 The medals must have on the front the emblem of the World Crossbow Shooting Association. On the back must be engraved the year of the event, the event name, the category, the country where the event is being held. The cost of medal engraving will be borne by the Organising Committee.
- 16.1.4 The medals for World Championships will be Round in shape, no smaller than 60 mm in diameter. On the front of the medal will be the WCSA logo and a blank central area for engraving on the back.
- 16.1.5 The medal will be suspended by a ribbon a minimum of 20mm wide one meter long sewn in the form of a loop so that it can be hung around the neck of the winner.
- 16.1.6 The medals will be gold for first place, silver for second place and bronze for third place.
- 16.1.7 All championship medals and ribbons will be supplied BLANK by the WCSA at no cost to the Organising Committee at least four (4) weeks prior to the date of the championship. All BLANK surplus medals will be returned to the WCSA within four (4) weeks of the completion of the event.

16.2 Prizes and Trophies

- 16.2.1 The Executive may receive for World Crossbow Shooting Association the donation of Challenge Trophies for World Crossbow Shooting Association World Championships. Such Challenge Trophies will remain the property of the World Crossbow Shooting Association.
- 16.2.2 The Organising Committee may arrange special prizes, trophies or awards as required for Invited participants.

17 TEAM OFFICIALS

- 17.1 Each participating WCSA Member Federation Team should be represented by a Team Manager who may be a competitor or non-competitor. Team Managers will generally represent their team in all matters pertaining to the championships.
- 17.2 The Team Managers will:
 - a) contact the Organising Committee as soon as possible after arrival,
 - b) attend Team Managers' Meetings as necessary, and,
 - c) accompany their teams during equipment checking.
- 17.3 The Team Managers will represent their teams in the event of disputes either to the Organising Committee or the International Judges' Committee.
- 17.4 Each Member Federation Team may also be represented by an Assistant Team Manager (Coach).

- 17.5 One person may act simultaneously as National Team Manager for not more than two (2) Member Federations.

18 INDIVIDUAL COMPETITORS

- 18.1 It is the responsibility of Individual Competitors without a Team Manager to report to the Organising Committee on arrival and to keep themselves informed and up to date with relevant information by regularly checking the information notice board.

19 TECHNICAL DELEGATES

- 19.1 A Technical Delegate will be appointed by the World Crossbow Shooting Association to oversee the technical aspects of Championships.
- 19.2 The Technical Delegate's tasks will be to:
- a) Advise the organisers on the World Crossbow Shooting Association Rules and the implementation of these rules.
 - b) Inspect the sports facilities and the venue equipment to be used during the competition.
 - c) Check that all preparations are in accordance with World Crossbow Shooting Association requirements and the respective Organiser's manual.
 - d) Report to the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive on a regular basis on the progress of the preparation of the championship.
 - e) Supervise and attend the target allocation draw,
 - f) Organise and chair the Team Captain's meeting and make sure that individual competitors are given adequate up to date information,
 - g) Co-operate closely with the Chairperson of the Judge Commission and the Director of Shooting,
 - h) Ensure that the shooting rules of World Crossbow Shooting Association will be observed and advise the Organising Committee on necessary changes to protect the best interests of World Crossbow Shooting Association and the quality of the Championship.
- 19.3 The Technical Delegate will normally be a member of the World Crossbow Shooting Association Technical Committee.

20 JURY OF APPEAL

- 20.1 A Jury of Appeal of three members will be appointed by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive for every World Crossbow Shooting Association Championship. Persons participating in the Championships are not eligible for the Jury of Appeal. Members of the Jury of Appeal will preferably be World Crossbow Shooting Association Officers. Where a Jury of Appeal has not been appointed, the Organising Committee will assume this role.
- 20.2 Appeals against rulings by the Judges must be presented, in writing, by Team Managers, or appellants if no Team Manager has been designated or they are individual member competitors. No appeal can be made against the value of a bolt. An intention to appeal when it might affect the progression of a competitor from one stage of the competition to the next, must be expressed in writing and lodged with the Chairperson of the Tournament Judge Commission within five (5) minutes of the end of the match or within thirty (30) minutes of the completion of the days shooting. The written appeal must be lodged with the Jury in time to allow the Jury to come to a decision before the beginning of the next stage of the competition.
- 20.3 The Jury must be available at the Tournament grounds at all times during the Tournament or event (including the day of official practice) until thirty minutes after the end of shooting.
- 20.4 Jury decisions will be minuted and submitted to the appellant, the Chairperson of the Tournament Judge Commission, and the Organising Committee before the beginning of the next stage of the competition or before the awarding of prizes. The ruling of the Jury of Appeal will be final.

20.5 APPEALS

All appeals must be submitted in writing not later than thirty (30) minutes after the close of the days shooting and before any prize giving and be accompanied by a fee of **US\$50** or its equivalent. The fee will be returned if the appeal is upheld and will be retained by the Organising Committee if the appeal is lost. (50% to the Organising Committee and 50% to World Crossbow Shooting Association funds).

- 20.6 Decisions made by the Jury of Appeal must be documented and submitted to the appellant, the Chairman of the Judges Commission, and the Chairperson of the Organising Committee before the awarding of prizes or the next stage of the competition as the case may be. This terminates the path of appeal.

21 DISCIPLINARY ACTION

- 21.1 Competitors and Officials will conform to the World Crossbow Shooting Association Constitution and Shooting Rules as well as any decisions and directives made by the International Judge's Commission.
Note: A WCSA competition conducted over consecutive days where the score from each day is added together for a final result shall be considered as one competition and any violation on the first day will carry over to the second day.
- 21.2 A competitor shown to have unknowingly violated any Rule or Regulation will be given a verbal warning by a judge and informed that any further violation could be cause for disqualification. A warning will be expressed by showing a YELLOW CARD with the word 'WARNING' printed thereon, to the competitor concerned and to their Team Manager (if they have a Team Manager). If the competitor is shooting on the course in a Forest, Bushland, or 3D Tournament, they will be warned as above, and the information will be radioed into central control by a Judge. The warning will be noted with the time on the competitors score card and signed by the judge giving the warning.
- 21.3 A competitor who has violated any Rule or Regulation and having previously been shown the Yellow (Warning Card), will be ruled, by the Judge, not to be eligible to participate and will be disqualified from the competition. Disqualification will be expressed by showing a RED CARD with the word 'DISQUALIFICATION' printed on. The disqualification will be noted with the time on the competitors score card and signed by the judge disqualifying the competitor.
Note: The size of the warning and disqualification cards should be approximately 70 x100 mm.
- 21.4 A competitor may appeal against such a decision to the Jury of Appeal, immediately and in writing. The appeal will be handed to a Member of the Judge's Commission for delivery. The decision of the Jury of Appeal is final.

22 DOPING CONTROL

- 22.1 At World Crossbow Shooting Association sanctioned events, Doping Control will be at the request of the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive or the host Organising Committee. Any Doping tests will be in conformity with the World Crossbow Shooting Association Anti-Doping Policy. The host Organising Committee is responsible for meeting the costs of drug testing. The number of tests to be conducted must be in accordance with these rules.
- 22.2 Doping is.
- a) the use of an expedient (substance or method) which is potentially harmful to the competitor's health and/or capable of enhancing their performance
 - b) the presence in a competitor's body of a prohibited substance or evidence of the use thereof or evidence of the use of a prohibited substance.
 - c) Alcohol is a banned substance.
- 22.3 Doping is forbidden in all World Crossbow Shooting Association sanctioned events.
- 22.4 Medical Provisions
- 22.4.1 All competitors competing, in events sanctioned by the World Crossbow Shooting Association must agree to submit to such medical tests or examinations as may be required by the World Crossbow Shooting Association, the organisers of the event or by the laws of the country in which the event takes place.
- 22.5 Competitor's Declaration
- 22.5.1 Each Competitor will be required to sign a Declaration confirming their awareness of the World Crossbow Shooting Association's prevailing Anti-Doping Control regulations and penalties.
- 22.5.2 The wording of such Declaration will be determined by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive.
- 22.5.3 Competitor's declaration forms will be completed either before or at the latest during equipment inspection.
- 22.6 Officials' Declaration
- 22.6.1 The Member Federation Team Manager responsible for their Member Federation's Competitors will be required to countersign all appropriate Competitors' Declarations.
- 22.7 Medical Tests

- 22.7.1 All athletes are subject to doping control (urine analysis, blood tests and other authorised techniques for detecting prohibited substances or methods). All athletes must submit to the doping control if they have been selected.
- 22.7.2 Any athlete refusing to submit to the doping control will be considered as if the result of this control has been positive.
- 22.7.3 Any person who aids in doping will be sanctioned.
- 22.7.4 Any such occurrences will be reported to the World Crossbow Shooting Association by the organisers of the event.

22.8 Drug Test Results

- 22.8.1 The host Organising Committee will submit any copies of the official Drug Test Results to the World Crossbow Shooting Association within one (1) month of the competition.

23 TOURNAMENT JUDGING

23.1 DIRECTOR OF SHOOTING

The World Crossbow Shooting Association Judges Committee will appoint a Director of Shooting for Outdoor and Indoor Target events who will preferably be an International Judge and who is to be notified to the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive and the Organising Committee for approval at least ninety (90) days before the first day of competition.

- 23.2 The Organising Committee will appoint a Deputy Director of Shooting and, if necessary, one or more Assistants. Their names will be informed to the World Crossbow Shooting Association Secretary General at least ninety (90) days before the first day of competition.

- a) Whenever possible they will be Judges
- b) Assistants may be appointed as necessary at the discretion of the Organising Committee to assist the Director of Shooting and the Deputy in the execution of all their duties.

- 23.3 The Director of Shooting, the Deputy and any Assistants will not have other tasks during the hours of competition nor take part in the shooting.

- 23.4 The Director of Shooting will institute and enforce any reasonable safety measures he/she considers necessary, his/her duties include:

- a) Controlling the shooting, regulating the timing of ends, and the order in which the competitors will occupy the shooting line.
- b) Exercising control over the use of the loudspeaker equipment, the activities of photographers, news media etc., so that competitors are not disturbed. The Organising Committee will appoint a person to look after the Media.
- c) Ensuring that spectators remain behind the barriers enclosing the shooting range.
- d) In the case of an emergency giving a series of not less than five sound signals for all shooting to cease. If shooting is suspended during an end for any reason, one sound signal will be given for shooting to re-continue.

- 23.5 For the Forest, Bushland and 3D rounds the Chair of the Tournament Judges Commission will be in control.

24 TOURNAMENT JUDGE COMMISSION

- 24.1 Judging activities at World Crossbow Shooting Association Championships will be co-ordinated by the Tournament Judges Commission.

- 24.2 The number of Judges will be not less than one (1) for every thirty (30) competitors in the Outdoor and Indoor Target Championships and not less than one for every eight (8) Targets in Forest, Bushland, and 3D Championships. There must be a minimum of three (3) Judges at any World Championship Event.

- 24.3 Judges are expected to be in possession of the equipment specified by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Judges Committee.

- 24.4 Judges will be appointed by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Judge Committee.

- 24.5 The World Crossbow Shooting Association Judges Committee will communicate the names of these Judges to the WCSA Secretary General for acceptance and approval no later than ninety (90) days before the first day of the competition. The WCSA Judges Committee must receive confirmation of the Judges' availability before making the appointment.

- 24.6 If possible, no more than two (2) Judges will be drawn from any single Member Federation.

- 24.7 The World Crossbow Shooting Association Judges Committee will appoint one Judge as Chairperson.

- 24.8 These Judges will be referred to as the Tournament Judge Commission.

- 24.9 The Tournament Judges Commission will co-operate closely with the Technical Delegate.
- 24.10 The Tournament Judges Commission, through their chairperson will present to the World Crossbow Shooting Association Secretary General and the World Crossbow Shooting Association Judges Committee Chairman a report regarding the conduct of the Tournament.
- 24.11 The Judges' duties are to ensure that the tournament is conducted according to the World Crossbow Shooting Association Constitution & Rules, and in fairness to all competitors.

25 JUDGES

- 25.1 Where possible at least one (1) Judge for every ten (10) target butts in Outdoor Target will be appointed. However, there must always be a minimum of three (3) judges. Their duties will be as follows:
- 25.2.1 They will.
- a) check all distances and the correct layout of the range.
 - b) check the dimensions of target faces and target butts.
 - c) check that the faces are set at the correct height from the ground or floor,.
 - d) check that all butts are set at a uniform angle.
 - e) check all the necessary venue equipment.
 - f) check all competitors' equipment before the Tournament (time to be stated on the tournament program) and at any time thereafter during the Tournament,
 - g) control the conduct of the shooting.
 - h) control the conduct of the scoring.
 - i) verify the scoring in the Elimination and Finals Rounds
 - j) consult with the Director of Shooting on questions, which arise regarding the handling of any disputes and appeals which may arise and, where appropriate, pass them on to the Jury of Appeal.
 - k) in liaison with the Director of Shooting, interrupt the shooting if necessary, due to weather conditions (such as lightning, torrential rain, or high wind etc), power failures, a serious accident, or other occurrences, but if at all possible attempt to complete each day's program on that day,
 - l) consider relevant complaints or requests from Team Managers and where applicable to take suitable action. Collective decisions will be made by a simple majority of votes. In case of a tie, the Chairman will have a tie-breaking vote.
 - m) deal with questions concerning the conduct of the shooting or the conduct of a competitor. These questions must be lodged with the Judges without any undue delay and in any event must be lodged before the prize giving. The ruling of the Judges or Jury of Appeal, as applicable, will be final.
 - n) make sure that at no time will any equipment failure delay the tournament by more than 15 minutes
 - o) ensure that all competitors and officials conform with the World Crossbow Shooting Association Constitution and Shooting Rules as well as decisions and directives the Judges may find necessary to make. A competitor proved to have transgressed any rules and regulations knowingly may be ruled to be not eligible to participate, be eliminated and lose any position he/she may have gained.

26 EQUIPMENT SCRUTINEERING AND CONTROL

- 26.1 At World Championships and events sanctioned by the World Crossbow Shooting Association the crossbows, shooting equipment, accessories and clothing of all competitors will be checked, for compliance with these competition rules, by the Tournament Judges Commission at an official equipment scrutineering session (which is to be held prior to or during official practice).
- 26.2 Suitable measuring instruments and weighing scales (duly certified by an appropriate body) will be made available by the Organising Committee if requested twelve (12) months in advance by either the Judge Commission chair or the WCSA Executive. Due care will be taken by the Tournament Judges Commission not to damage any of the equipment either belonging to the Organising Committee or the competitors.
- 26.3 A sample of prods may be weighed at scrutineering, prior to shooting. The Tournament Judges Commission may, at their sole discretion, request that random prods be weighed after the completion of all competition shooting which may include all place winners.

- 26.4 Control Stickers: Crossbows and prods having been approved as correct may be marked with a suitable sticker. Relevant information may be recorded on the competitor list sheet, provided by the Organising Committee.
- 26.5 Spare Equipment: Spare equipment (crossbows, prods bolts etc) to be used in the case of equipment failure must also be submitted for approval during equipment scrutineering at the time appointed by the organisers.
- 26.6 After equipment has been approved, it must not be altered at any time prior to or during the competition in any way that would conflict with these Rules. If there are any doubts regarding an alteration, the equipment must be returned to Equipment Control or the Judges Commission for re-inspection and approval.
- 26.7 A competitor found to be using unapproved or altered equipment or having, removed Official Control Stickers will face IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION.
- 26.8 Further inspection of equipment such as in the case of equipment failure will take place as appropriate.
- 26.9 Crossbows, bolts, and clothing of the leading competitors in each division may be re-checked for compliance with these Competition Rules by the Tournament Judges Commission BEFORE such equipment is removed from the Equipment Line in Target and on leaving the course in Forest, Bushland, and 3D at the completion of each competition round.
- 26.10 The Tournament Judges Commission may elect to inspect all competitors' equipment at the completion of a competition round, at its discretion, provided that this is appropriately announced.
- 26.11 Approval of the equipment is valid only for the competitor and the competition for which the inspection was made.

27 QUESTIONS, DISPUTES AND APPEALS.

- 27.1 Questions concerning the conduct of the shooting, or the conduct of a competitor must be lodged with the Judges before the next stage of the competition.
- 27.2 Appeals against rulings by the Judges, Director of Shooting or Tournament Officials must be presented in writing to the Jury of Appeal the same day. No appeals can be made against the value of a bolt.
- 27.3 Appeals against the conduct of the shooting or the conduct of a competitor will be lodged in writing with the Judges or Tournament committee the same day.
- 27.4 Queries/Questions regarding daily published results will be lodged with the Organising Committee without any undue delay, and in any event must be lodged in time to allow corrections to be made prior to any prize giving.
- 27.5 When the awarding of trophies or prizes may be affected by an appeal or appeals, they will not be awarded until the Jury ruling has been given.
- 27.6 Should a target face become unreasonably worn or otherwise disfigured or should there be any other complaint about range equipment, a competitor or his Team Manager may appeal to the Judges or Director of Shooting to have the defective item replaced or remedied.
- 27.7 Competitors on the target will refer any questions about the value of a bolt in the target to a Judge before the bolts are drawn.
- 27.8 A mistake on a Target scoresheet discovered before the bolts are drawn may be corrected, but the correction must be made and initialled by one of the Judges before the bolts are drawn. If the bolts have been drawn, no corrections to the bolt values as written on the scoresheet will be permitted. Any other disputes concerning entries on a scoresheet will be referred to a Judge.
- 27.9 Any competitor may refer any questions about the value of a bolt in the target to a Judge before any bolts are drawn. The ruling of that Judge will be final.
- 27.10 A mistake on a Forest, Bushland & 3D score-sheet may be corrected before the bolts are drawn, provided that all competitors on the target agree on the correction. The correction will be witnessed and initialled by all the competitors on the target. Any other disputes concerning entries on a scoresheet will be referred to a Judge.
- 27.11 Should it be discovered on any Field course that: (Forest, Bushland, or 3D)
- a) the size of a target face has been changed during the competition, or,
 - b) the position of a shooting post has been moved after shooters have already shot the target, or,
 - c) the target is or has become non shootable for certain Arbalists because of hanging branches, or other obstructions, that target will be eliminated for the purpose of scoring for all competitors of the category involved, should an appeal be upheld. If one or more target(s) is disqualified, the remaining targets will be considered to constitute a full Round.
- 27.12 Should a target face become unreasonably worn or otherwise disfigured or should there be any other complaint about course equipment, a competitor or his Team Manager may appeal to the Judges' Commission before the next stage of the competition.

- 27.13 Questions concerning the conduct of the shooting, or the conduct of a competitor will be lodged with the Judges before the next stage of the competition.
- 27.14 Questions regarding daily published results will be lodged without undue delay, and in any event must be lodged in time to allow corrections to be made before the prize giving.
- 27.15 In the event of a competitor not being satisfied with a ruling given by the Judges, he or she may, except as provided for in clause 27.10 above, appeal through his or her Team Manager to the Jury of Appeal, in writing, before the beginning of the next stage of the competition. Trophies or prizes which may be affected by a dispute will not be awarded until after the Jury has ruled on the dispute.

28 SCORING

28.1 OUTDOOR AND INDOOR TARGET, BENCH, KNEELING and PRONE ROUND

- 28.1.1 For scorers who are not competitors they will work under the supervision of one or more officials appointed by the Organising Committee, who will be responsible for the correct conduct of the scoring. These scorers must not become involved in any discussion regarding the value of a bolt.
- 28.1.2 Progressive scores may be displayed by putting printed A4 results lists on a suitable notice board.
- 28.1.3 Final results must be displayed on the Notice board for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes following the end of the round to allow any protests to be lodged prior to any medal presentations. The Organising Committee are encouraged to display results lists more frequently if possible.
- 28.1.4 In the case of electronic scoring, manual score cards must also be kept. The bolt values entered on the manual score cards is the official values.
- 28.1.5 There will be double scoring at all registered World Championships, Regional Championships, and Star Tournaments.
- 28.1.6 Bolt holes in the target face must be marked in case of a bolt pass throughs or bouncer out.

28.2 FOREST, BUSHLAND, AND 3D

- 28.2.1 There will be two (2) Competitors assigned as scorers in each target group at a World Championship.
- 28.2.2 The Organising Committee may appoint independent scorers if they can obtain sufficient scorers for one per group and providing it has been approved by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Executive. Scorers assigned by the Organisers and who do not take part in the shooting must not become involved in any discussion regarding the value of a bolt nor the carrying of any competitor's equipment.
- 28.2.3 The scorers who are not competitors will work under the supervision of one or more officials appointed by the Organisers, who will be responsible for the correct conduct of the scoring.
- 28.2.4 Final results must be available on the field for a minimum of thirty (30) minutes following the end of the round to allow any protests to be lodged prior to any medal presentations. The Organisers are encouraged to display results lists more frequently if possible.
- 28.2.5 In the case of electronic scoring, manual score cards must also be kept. The bolt values entered on the manual score cards will be the official values and take priority over the electronic scoring.
- 28.2.6 There will be double scoring at World Championships, Regional Championships, and all Registered Star Tournaments.
- 28.2.7 Bolt holes in the target face must be marked in case of pass throughs or bouncers.

29 TIES

In the event of a tie in score, the results will be determined as follows:

For Target, Indoor, Forest/Bushland and 3D rounds.

- 29.1 a) The competitor / Team of those tying, with the greatest number of scoring hits.
- b) If this is a tie, then the competitor / Team of those tying with the greatest number of Centre Tens or Ring Tens.
- c) If this is also a tie, then the competitor / Team of those tying with the greatest number of gold hits (hits scoring 10 points).
- d) If after the above, the competitors / Teams are still tied, then a one bolt - closest to target centre shoot off will be conducted by the judges to determine a result. This process will continue until a result is achieved.

For All Matchplay rounds.

- 29.2 a) The competitor / Team of those tying, with the greatest number of scoring hits.
- b) If this is a tie, then the competitor / Team of those tying with the greatest number of Centre Tens or Ring Tens.
- c) If this is also a tie, then the competitor / Team of those tying with the greatest number of gold hits (hits scoring 10 points).
- d) If after the above, the competitors / Teams are still tied, then a one bolt - closest to target centre shoot off will be conducted by the judges to determine a result. This process will continue until a result is achieved. For the Team Matchplay, the team will select one of their team members to take the one bolt shot.

30 PRACTICES

- 30.1 Practice will at all times be under the control of a Director of Shooting.
- 30.2 The Director of Shooting will be solely responsible for the conduct of shooting,
- 30.3 For Unofficial Practice it is suggested that a fixed period of time (e.g., five (5) minutes) be allocated for shooting an end, and that there will be no limit to the number of bolts which can be shot within this time limit.
- 30.4 During official practice a fixed period of time of five (5) minutes will be allocated for shooting an end and only three (3) bolts may be shot within this time limit.
- 30.5 Control of Practice: All competitors will move forward together to collect their bolts, irrespective of the distance being shot. No competitor will shoot during this time, nor collect bolts at any other time.
- 30.6 The Director of Shooting may bar from the practice session any competitor contravening this rule.
- 30.7 Allocation of Butts for Unofficial Practice:
On Unofficial Practice days: -
 - Outdoor Target - the butts will be set out at all the required shooting distances,
 - Indoor Target – the butts will be set out at the distance of 18m
 - Forest, Bushland, and 3D – the butts will be set out with the required face and target size at distances within the range required.
 - Bench, Kneeling and Prone Round – the butts will be set out at the distance of seventy (70) metres for Target, Standard and Freestyle Crossbows and fifty (50) metres for Medieval Crossbows.

The quantity of butts will be in a proportional number according to the number of competitors and as requested by the Director of Shooting.
- 30.8 Competitors desirous of changing the butt allocation will negotiate with the Director of Shooting. Any change in the distance at which targets are set will be regulated by the Director of Shooting, who may ask practicing competitors to assist in moving, and re-arranging targets.
- 30.9 Conduct of Official Practice for Target
Official Practice will take place on the tournament field in accordance with the details set out in the Program, in that the regulation of ends (visual time control) under the control of the Director of Shooting will be employed. Members of the Judges Commission will be present to observe the conduct of the shooting and advise competitors over matters of procedure (through Team Managers if present).
- 30.10 Official Practice Butt Allocation for Target: each competitor will use the target assigned to him/her for the first day of the competition.
- 30.11 Official Practice Day Range Layout: all butts will be set at the shortest distance for the Category to begin Official Practice, then moved to the middle distance for the category, and then finish the session at the longest distance for the Category.
- 30.12 Official Practice Timetable: The timetable will be submitted to the Judges Commission for approval no later than twenty-four (24) hours before the start of Official Practice.
- 30.13 Recommended timings:
 - 0900 - 1100 hours shortest Distance for the category practice
 - 1100 - 1200 hours lunch
 - 1200 - 1400 hours middle distance for the category practice
 - 1430 - 1630 hours longest distance for the category practice
- 30.14 Practice (shooting) on the tournament field or the practice field between the official start and finish times on the days of competition is **NOT PERMITTED**.
- 30.15 The Organising Committee will make practice butts available for practice purposes on an adjacent field, equivalent to at least 20% of the number of competitors.

- 30.16 On competition days, such facilities will be available as announced in the Program and will be closed thirty (30) minutes prior to the published competition start time. These facilities may be re-opened for a specified period thirty (30) minutes after the close of shooting.
- 30.17 **Test Butt:** For the purpose of testing a crossbow which has undergone essential repairs (e.g., trigger) a target butt will be set out at a maximum distance of twenty (20) metres in an area separated from the main tournament field. The use of such test facilities will be under the supervision of a Technical or Judge Commission Member.
- 30.18 Practice of the Shooting Stance: On days of Target competition before the competition starts and during the intervals between distances, competitors may practice only the shooting position and sighting, without cocking/spanning/loading their crossbows. Such practice may only take place on the shooting line and in the direction of the competitor's allocated target, providing the aiming area is clear of persons and it is safe to do so. In the event that a bolt is shot during such practice, the competitor will be banned from any further shooting in the competition.

31 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TITLES

The following listing applies to each of the events Outdoor Target, Outdoor Matchplay, Indoor Target, Indoor Matchplay, Forest and Bushland, 3D, Bench, Prone and Kneeling and each category of Crossbow.

- 31.1 Outdoor Target World Championships
Individuals – (BOOK 2 – clause 5.3)
Teams - (BOOK 2 - clause 11)
- 31.2 Outdoor Match-play World Championships
Individuals – (BOOK 2 – clause 5.3)
Teams - (BOOK 2 - clause 11)
- 31.3 Indoor Target World Championships
Individuals – (BOOK 2 – clause 5.3)
Teams - (BOOK 2 - clause 11)
- 31.4 Indoor Match-play World Championships
Individuals – (BOOK 2 – clause 5.3)
Teams - (BOOK 2 - clause 11)
- 31.5 Forest World Championships
Comprising the Forest and Bushland rounds with awards being made on the aggregate of the two days of competition.
Individuals – (BOOK 2 – clause 5.3)
Teams - (BOOK 2 - clause 11)
- 31.6 3D Championship
Awards being made on the aggregate of the two days of competition.
Individuals – (BOOK 2 – clause 5.3)
Teams - (BOOK 2 - clause 11)
- 31.7 Bench, Prone and Kneeling (Medieval only) Round World Championships
Individuals – (BOOK 2 – clause 5.3)
Teams - (BOOK 2 - clause 11)

32 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP ROUNDS

32.1 OUTDOOR TARGET - TARGET CROSSBOW

Name of round: Target Crossbow 900 (TC900/65/60).

Distances: Day 1 shot in order 65m, 55m, 45m - Day 2 shot in order 45m, 55m, 65m.

Ends: 10 ends X 3 Bolts per end = 30 bolts per each distance.

Timing: 60 seconds per bolt = 3 minutes per 3 bolts.

Face: 60cm multi coloured - 10 zone scoring.

Practice: 2 ends of 3 bolts in 5 minutes at the start of day's shooting and 1 end of 3 bolts in 5 minutes at the beginning of each distance.

32.2 **OUTDOOR TARGET - STANDARD CROSSBOW & FREESTYLE CROSSBOWS**

Name of round: Standard / Freestyle Crossbow 600 (SC600/55/60 & FC600/55/60).

Distances: Day 1 shot in order 55m, 45m, 35m - Day 2 shot in order 35m, 45m, 55m.

Ends: 10 ends X 2 Bolts per end = 20 bolts each distance.

Timing: 90 seconds per bolt = 180 seconds per 2 bolts.

Face: 60cm multi coloured - 10 zone scoring.

Practice: 2 ends of 2 bolts in 5 minutes at the start of day's shooting and 1 end of 2 bolts in 5 minutes at the beginning of each distance.

32.3 **OUTDOOR TARGET - MEDIEVAL CROSSBOW**

Name of round: Medieval Crossbow 900 (MC900/40/60).

Distances: Day 1 shot in order 40m, 30m, 20m - Day 2 shot in order 20m, 30m, 40m.

Ends: 10 ends X 3 Bolts per end = 30 bolts each distance.

Timing: 60 seconds per bolt = 180 seconds per 3 bolts.

Face: 60cm multi coloured - 10 zone scoring.

Practice: 2 ends of 3 bolts in 5 minutes at the start of day's shooting and 1 end of 3 bolts in 5 minutes at the beginning of each distance.

32.4 **OUTDOOR MATCH-PLAY - TARGET CROSSBOW**

Distance: 55m.

Ends: 3 ends X 3 bolts per end per Match = total of 9 bolts per Match.

Time: 50 seconds per Bolt = 150 seconds per 3 bolts.

32.5 **OUTDOOR MATCH-PLAY - STANDARD CROSSBOW & FREESTYLE CROSSBOW**

Distance: 45m.

Ends: 3 ends X 2 bolts per end per Match = total of 6 bolts per Match.

Time: 75 seconds per Bolt = 150 seconds per 2 bolts.

32.6 **OUTDOOR MATCH-PLAY - MEDIEVAL CROSSBOW**

Distance: 30m.

Ends: 3 ends X 3 bolts per end per Match = total of 9 bolts per Match.

Time: 50 seconds per Bolt = 150 seconds per 3 bolts.

32.7 **Match-play information** applicable to Target, Assisted, Standard, Freestyle, and Medieval Crossbows

Practice On nearby range on the same ground so conditions are the same. Unofficial practice shots on the competition range are not permitted.

Eliminations Matchplay may be conducted with as many competitors as available in Elimination matches down to the Medal matches. All competitors shoot together and score. Unmatched competitors/Teams may have a bye thru to the next Elimination match.

Elimination 32 – 64 competitors in 32 matches, all shoot together and score. Winners to Elimination 16.

Elimination 16 – 32 competitors in 16 matches, all shoot together and score. Winners to Elimination 8.

Elimination 8 – 16 competitors in 8 matches, all shoot together and score. Winners to Quarter Elimination.

Quarter Final Elimination – 8 competitors in 4 matches, all shoot together and score. Winners to Semi Final.

Semi Final Elimination – 4 competitors in 2 matches, all shoot together and score. Winners to Medal Matches.

Medal Matches

A & B details; are determined by the judge tossing a coin and the higher ranked competitor making the call. The winner of the toss makes the decision whether to shoot first (A) or second (B).

Bronze Medal: two (2) competitors (losers from Semi Elimination) (1 match), competitors preferably shoot A & B detail alternately but if time is short they may shoot together, scoring and bolt collection done by Judges pullers and runners.

Gold & Silver Medal; two (2) competitors (winners from Semi Elimination) (1 match), competitors shoot A & B detail alternately, scoring, bolt collection and bolt return done by Judges, Competitor's Agent, and Runners.

32.8 INDOOR TARGET - FOR ALL CROSSBOW DIVISIONS.

Name of rounds: Round 1 - Target Crossbow TC600/18/40.

Round 2 – Target Crossbow TC600/18/40.

Distance: 18m.

Ends per round: 20 ends X 3 Bolts per end = 60 bolts.

Timing: 1 minute per bolt = 3 minutes per 3 bolts.

Face: 40cm vertical or triangle 3 spot 5 ring multi colour or 40cm single spot 10 ring multi colour.

Practice: 2 ends X 3 bolts in 5 minutes at the start of the round.

32.9 INDOOR MATCH-PLAY– FOR ALL CROSSBOW DIVISIONS.

Distance: 18m on 40cm vertical or triangle 3 spot 5 ring multi colour face.

Medieval may use 40cm single spot 10 ring multi colour face.

Target and Medieval.

Ends: 3 ends X 3 bolts per end per Match = total of 9 bolts per Match.

Time: 50 seconds per Bolt = 150 seconds per 3 bolts.

Standard and Freestyle

Ends: 3 ends X 2 bolts per end per Match = total of 6 bolts per Match.

Time: 75 seconds per Bolt = 150 seconds per 2 bolts.

Practice On nearby range on the same ground so conditions are the same. Unofficial practice shots on the competition range are not permitted.

Eliminations Matchplay may be conducted with as many competitors as available in Elimination matches down to the Medal matches. All competitors shoot together and score. Unmatched competitors/Teams may have a bye thru to the next Elimination match.

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Medal Matches

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Gold & Silver Medal; two (2) competitors (winners from Semi Elimination) (1 match), competitors shoot A & B detail alternately, scoring, bolt collection and bolt return done by Judges, Competitor's Agent, and Runners.

32.10 FOREST and BUSHLAND ROUND - FOR ALL CROSSBOW DIVISIONS.

Comprising 24 Targets at unmarked distances over one (1) day Forest round and one (1) day Bushland round with distances as specified in Book 8, Forest, and Bushland Rounds. Results will be the aggregate of both days competition.

32.11 3D ROUND - FOR ALL CROSSBOW DIVISIONS.

Comprising 24 Targets at unmarked distances over one (1) day and repeated on day two (2) with amended distances as specified in Book 8, 3D Round. Results will be the aggregate of both days competition.

32.12 BENCH, PRONE and KNEELING ROUND–

32.12.1 Target Crossbow, Standard Crossbow and Freestyle Crossbows

Name of rounds: Bench Round :
Target BTC 600/70/40,
Standard BSC 600/70/40, Freestyle BFC 600/70/40.
Prone Round :
Target PTC 600/70/40,
Standard PSC 600/70/40, Freestyle PFC 600/70/40.
Distance: 70m.
Ends: 20 ends X 3 Bolts per end = 60 bolts.
Timing: 5 min per 3 bolts.
Face: 40cm single spot multi coloured - 10 zone scoring.
Practice: 2 ends X 3 bolts in 5 minutes at the start of the round.

32.12.2 Medieval Crossbows

Name of round: Kneeling Round KMC600/50/60.
Distance: 50m.
Ends: 20 ends X 3 Bolts per end = 60 bolts.
Timing: 5 min per 3 bolts.
Face: 60cm single spot multi coloured - 10 zone scoring.
Practice: 2 ends X 3 bolts in 5 minutes at the start of the round.

33 WORLD RECORDS

A RECORD CAN ONLY BE CLAIMED FOR THE CLASS IN WHICH THE COMPETITOR ENTERED.
(e.g., if a Senior Woman entered as an Open Woman and shot a score better than both the Senior Women's and Open Women's Records they can only claim the Open Women's Record because that is the class entered).

33.1 Record Types

33.1.1 There will be four (4) types of Records as follows:

- a) WCSA **World Championship Records** - those records shot in their respective Categories at World Championships.
- b) WCSA **World Records** - those records shot in their respective Categories at World Championships or Tournaments registered with the WCSA as a Star Tournament.
- c) WCSA **Regional Championship Records** - those records shot in their respective Categories at a Regional Championship.
- d) WCSA **Regional Records** – those records shot in their respective Categories at a Regional Championships or Tournaments registered with the WCSA as a Star Tournament.

THERE WILL BE NO WORLD RECORDS FOR THE FOREST, BUSHLAND, OR 3D ROUNDS DUE TO THE GREAT VARIATION IN TERRAIN AND COURSE LAYOUT.

33.2 Record Definition

33.2.1 A new record will be established when a score is at least one point higher than an existing Record.

33.2.2 In case of a perfect score shot in Outdoor or Indoor Target a new record will include the number of clear tens (10s) / (circled 10s) and will require at least one more clear ten (10) / (circle 10) than an existing Record.

33.3 World Records

There will be World Crossbow Shooting Association World Records in the categories of: -

- 33.3.1 **TARGET CROSSBOW:** - Outdoor Target, Outdoor Match-play, Indoor Target, and Indoor Match-play for the Classes as detailed in clause 5.3.

a) **OUTDOOR TARGET FOR TARGET CROSSBOWS**

Individual TC 900/65/60 (90 bolts).
Individual 65 metres (30 bolts).
Individual 55 metres (30 bolts).
Individual 45 metres (30 bolts).
Individual Double TC 900/65/60 (2x 90 bolts).
Team TC 900/65/60 (270 bolts).
Team 65 metres (90 bolts).
Team 55 metres (90 bolts).
Team 45 metres (90 bolts).
Team Double TC 900/65/60 (2 x 270 bolts).

b) **OUTDOOR MATCH-PLAY FOR TARGET CROSSBOWS**

Individual 55 metres (9 bolts). Round MPTC 90/55/60
Team 55 metres (9 bolts). Round MPTC 90/55/60

c) **INDOOR TARGET FOR TARGET CROSSBOWS**

Individual 18 metres (60 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Individual Double 18 metres (120 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Team 18 metres (180 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Team Double 18 metres (360 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).

d) **INDOOR MATCH-PLAY FOR TARGET CROSSBOWS**

Individual 18 metres on 40cm triple vertical or triangle face (9 bolts). Round MPTC 90/18/40
Team 18 metres on 40cm triple vertical or triangle face (9 bolts). Round MPTC 90/18/40

33.3.2 **STANDARD CROSSBOW AND FREESTYLE CROSSBOW:** - Outdoor Target, Outdoor Match-play, Indoor Target, and Indoor Match-play for the Classes as detailed in clause 5.3

a) **OUTDOOR TARGET FOR STANDARD CROSSBOW and FREESTYLE CROSSBOW**

Individual Standard SC 600/55/60 or Freestyle FC 600/55/60 (60 bolts).
Individual 55 metres (20 bolts).
Individual 45 metres (20 bolts).
Individual 35 metres (20 bolts).
Individual Double Standard SC 600/55/60 or Freestyle FC 600/55/60 (2x 60 bolts).
Team Standard SC 600/55/60 or Freestyle FC 600/55/60 (180 bolts).
Team 55 metres (60 bolts).
Team 45 metres (60 bolts).
Team 35 metres (60 bolts).
Team Double Standard SC 600/55/60 or Freestyle FC 600/55/60 (2 x 180 bolts).

b) **OUTDOOR MATCH-PLAY FOR STANDARD CROSSBOW and FREESTYLE CROSSBOW**

Individual 45 metres (6 bolts). Round MPSC 60/45/60 or MPFC 60/45/40
Team 45 metres (6 bolts). Round MPSC 60/45/60 or MPFC 60/45/40

c) **INDOOR TARGET FOR STANDARD CROSSBOW and FREESTYLE CROSSBOW**

Individual 18 metres (60 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Individual Double 18 metres (120 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Team 18 metres (180 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Team Double 18 metres (360 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).

d) **INDOOR MATCH-PLAY FOR STANDARD CROSSBOW and FREESTYLE CROSSBOW**

Individual 18 metres on 40cm triple vertical or triangle face (9 bolts).
Team 18 metres on 40cm triple vertical or triangle face (9 bolts).

33.3. 3 **MEDIEVAL CROSSBOWS:** - Outdoor Target, Outdoor Match-play, Indoor Target, and Indoor Match-play as follows.

a) **OUTDOOR TARGET FOR MEDIEVAL CROSSBOW**

Individual MC 900/40/60 (90 bolts).
Individual 40 metres (30 bolts).
Individual 30 metres (30 bolts).
Individual 20 metres (30 bolts).
Individual Double MC 900/40/60 (2x 90 bolts).
Team MC 900/40/60 (270 bolts).
Team 40 metres (90 bolts).
Team 30 metres (90 bolts).
Team 20 metres (90 bolts).
Team Double MC 900/40/60 (2 x 270 bolts).

b) **OUTDOOR MATCH-PLAY FOR MEDIEVAL CROSSBOW**

Individual 30 metres (9 bolts). Round MPMC 90/30/60
Team 30 metres (9 bolts). Round MPMC 90/30/60

c) **INDOOR TARGET FOR MEDIEVAL CROSSBOW**

Individual 18 metres (60 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Individual Double 18 metres (120 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Team 18 metres (180 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).
Team Double 18 metres (360 bolts on 40cm single faces or 40cm triple vertical or triangle faces).

d) **INDOOR MATCH-PLAY FOR MEDIEVAL CROSSBOW**

Individual 18 metres on 40cm single face (9 bolts). Round MPMC 90/18/40.
Team 18 metres on 40cm single face (9 bolts). Round MPMC 90/18/40.

e) **KNEELING ROUND FOR MEDIEVAL CROSSBOW**

Individual 50 metres (60 bolts on 60cm single face). Round KMC600/50/60

33.3. 4 **TARGET, STANDARD CROSSBOW AND FREESTYLE CROSSBOW:**

Bench rounds Target BTC600/70/40, Standard BSC 600/70/40, Freestyle BFC 600/70/40
Individual 70 metres (60 bolts on 40cm single face).

Prone Rounds Target PTC 600/70/40, Standard PSC 600/70/40, Freestyle PFC 600/70/40
Individual 70 metres (60 bolts on 40cm single face).

33.4 **Tournaments**

33.4.1 All World Championships are considered automatically as World Championship Record Tournaments.

33.4.2 All other tournaments are not automatically considered as World Record Tournaments and need to comply with all the requirements as specified by the World Crossbow Shooting Association. (BOOK 2 - clause 4.4)

33.4.3 World Records can be established in a Single Outdoor Round and a Double Outdoor Round. A Single Indoor Round and a Double Indoor Round. A Single Bench Round and a Double Bench round. A single Prone Round and a Double Prone round. A Single Kneeling round and a Double Kneeling round.

33.4.4 to claim a double round World Record the two (2) single rounds must be shot consecutively. Either both on the same day or on two (2) consecutive days, first round one day and the second round the next day.

33.5 **Confirmation of World Records**

33.5.1 World Records shot at World Championships are confirmed automatically as soon as the scores at the tournament are official. Records shot at other tournaments are subject to confirmation by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Recorder.

33.5.2 Scores shot at other registered tournaments must be sent to the World Crossbow Shooting Association Recorder no later than fifteen (15) days after the tournament.

33.5.3 Anyone can claim a record which must be accompanied by the declaration of the Member Federation under the control of which the tournament was organised, including:

- a) The name, description, place, and date of the tournament.
- b) Confirmation that the tournament was shot under World Crossbow Shooting Association Rules.
- c) Confirmation that a competitor, in respect of whose score, records are being claimed, was a financial member of either a Member Federation, Member Club or was an Individual Member of the World Crossbow Shooting Association at the time.
- d) Name, nationality, and category of the competitor.
- e) A complete result lists.
- f) Details of the record claimed and supported by the original signed scorecards or a properly certified copy of both scorecards.

33.5.4 The World Crossbow Shooting Association Recorder will ratify a claim for a World Record immediately upon its receipt.

33.5.5 Should a World Record be broken by two or more equal scores made on the same day. (*refer clause 29*)

33.5.6 World Record Holders will be presented with a Diploma stating the result and the place of the record.

33.6 **Publication of Records**

33.6.1 Records for women and men, girls and boys and seniors in each category will be kept separately.

33.6.2 Details of new records will be circulated by the World Crossbow Shooting Association Recorder to all Member Federations and the Executive Council and placed on the World Crossbow Shooting Association website.

34 **ASSISTED SHOOTERS**

34.1 **General**

34.1.1 With the exception of the following rule variations all general rules of shooting will apply.

34.1.2 There will be five Classes for Assisted Shooter as detailed in Book 2 - Clause 5.3 for those people who are medically / physically incapable of shooting in accordance with the general rules of shooting.

34.1.3 Each Individual Member, Member Federation or Member Club will be responsible for ascertaining that Assisted entries in the classes are valid.

34.1.4 When shooting in the Forest, Bushland and 3D rounds it is the responsibility of the Assisted Competitor with or without an Assistant to ascertain the type of terrain to be negotiated and to decide whether they can negotiate it safely. It is also the Assisted Competitors responsibility to provide the necessary equipment and to negotiate the course without any assistance from the Organisers or Officials.

34.2 **Championships**

34.2.1 For Assisted shooters there will be five (5) classes as listed in Book 2 – Clause 5.3.

34.3 **Teams**

35.3.1 A team will consist of two (2) shooters. (*BOOK 2 - Clause 11.2.4*).

34.4 **Shooting Position (Assisted)**

34.4.1 An Assisted shooter will sit in or on a seat with their spine above the shooting line and with one pair of supporting legs or wheels of their seat in front of the Shooting line and the other pair of legs or wheels behind the shooting line. Variation of this will be permitted where this arrangement is physically impossible.

34.4.2 The seat may take the form of a stool, chair or wheelchair and will not provide back support above the top of the shooter's shoulders.

34.4.3 There will be no arms on the seat that can be utilised to provide any means of support to the lower parts of the body or the limbs that are used to control the crossbow. During shooting any arm rests on the seat must be lowered or removed to ensure that the competitor cannot utilise them.

34.4.4 Shooters using the WCSA approved stand may use only one (1) hand to control the crossbow while in the act of shooting and must not rest that elbow on their lap or body. The opposite hand may be rested on their lap but must not be used to aid in any support of the crossbow.

34.5 **Assisted Shooter**

34.5.1 a) An Assisted Shooter with an Assistant will be one who, when shooting, is unable to stand, span the crossbow or support the weight of the crossbow unaided while shooting.

- b) An Assisted Shooter without an Assistant will be one who, when shooting, has difficulty standing and controlling the crossbow safely while shooting in the standing position.
- 34.5.2 All Assisted Shooter will sit in or on a seat or stool to shoot.
- a) An Assisted Shooter with an Assistant must use a WCSA approved stand to support the weight of the crossbow. (Appendix 14)
- b) An Assisted Shooter without an Assistant may choose to shoot freehand or with a WCSA approved stand to support the weight of the crossbow. (Appendix 14)
- c) While being shot the crossbow cannot touch anything, except the stand and or the competitor to act as a steadier.
- 34.5.3 The Assisted shooter with an Assistant who will perform the following functions during shooting:
- Bring the crossbow to the shooting line.
 - Span the crossbow.
 - Lift the crossbow onto the supporting stand before giving control to the shooter.
 - Place the bolt in the crossbow once the shooter has control.
 - After each shot lift the crossbow off the stand and repeat the above process for each end.
 - Return the crossbow to a point behind the equipment line after completing each end.
 - Alert the judges to problems during shooting, including calling bouncers and pass-through shots.
- 34.5.4 In addition the assistant may assist in getting the shooter to the shooting line and setting up of their equipment.
- 34.5.5 While a shot is being made the assistant will retire to a position two (2) metres behind the shooter.
- 34.5.6 The assistant may spot the shots as they are made in order to be able to call a bounce out or a pass through but will not inform the shooter of the result until such time as shooting of the end is complete.
- 34.5.7 The assistant may adjust sights but will only do so under specific instruction of the shooter.
- 34.5.8 The assistant will represent the shooter in all matters pertaining to the scoring and retrieval of bolts.
- 34.5.9 The Assisted shooter may remain on the shooting line in the breaks between the shooting of ends.
- 34.5.10 The Assisted shooter without an Assistant will perform all the functions of shooting unaided during the act of shooting. The Assisted shooter without an Assistant is permitted to use the WCSA approved stand (if required) to support the weight of the crossbow.
- 34.5.11 The Assisted shooter without an Assistant is not permitted during an event to change from shooting without a WCSA approved stand to using the WCSA approved stand.

34.6 Crossbow Stand for Target, Indoor, Forest, Bushland, and 3D Rounds

- 34.6.1 For any Assisted shooter with an Assistant and an Assisted shooter without an Assistant who has chosen to use the stand. **It is mandatory to purchase and use the WCSA approved spring and crossbow support stand.** This is to ensure that all units are the same and meet the requirements. This unit has green paint on the spring and a serial number stamped on the post. The crossbow support has been tried and approved by Assisted shooters. (BOOK 11 - Appendix 14)
- 34.6.2 The barrel of the crossbow will rest on the support at a point between the back of the prod and the rest position of the string.
- 34.6.3 There will be no location between the support and the crossbow other than that provided by gravity.
- 34.6.4 The support will be fitted with stops to prevent the crossbow sliding off. The stock of the crossbow may not be held in contact with these stops.
- 34.6.5 No part of the support may protrude above the level of the track.
- 34.6.6 The support will incorporate a coil spring arranged vertically so as to ensure that it provides support for the weight of the crossbow but will not eliminate the requirement for the shooter to stabilise the crossbow.
- 34.6.7 The shooter will not deflect the spring so that it reaches the limit of its possible movement and thus become a fixed support.