

Judging: Education and Accreditation

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Judges Committee



A five-member committee elected for four-year terms.

- Sergio Font (Cuba) Chairman
- Indranil Datta (India) Deputy
- Sabrina Steffens (Germany)
- Robert Erica (Netherlands)
- Graham Potts (Great Britain)

Responsible for:

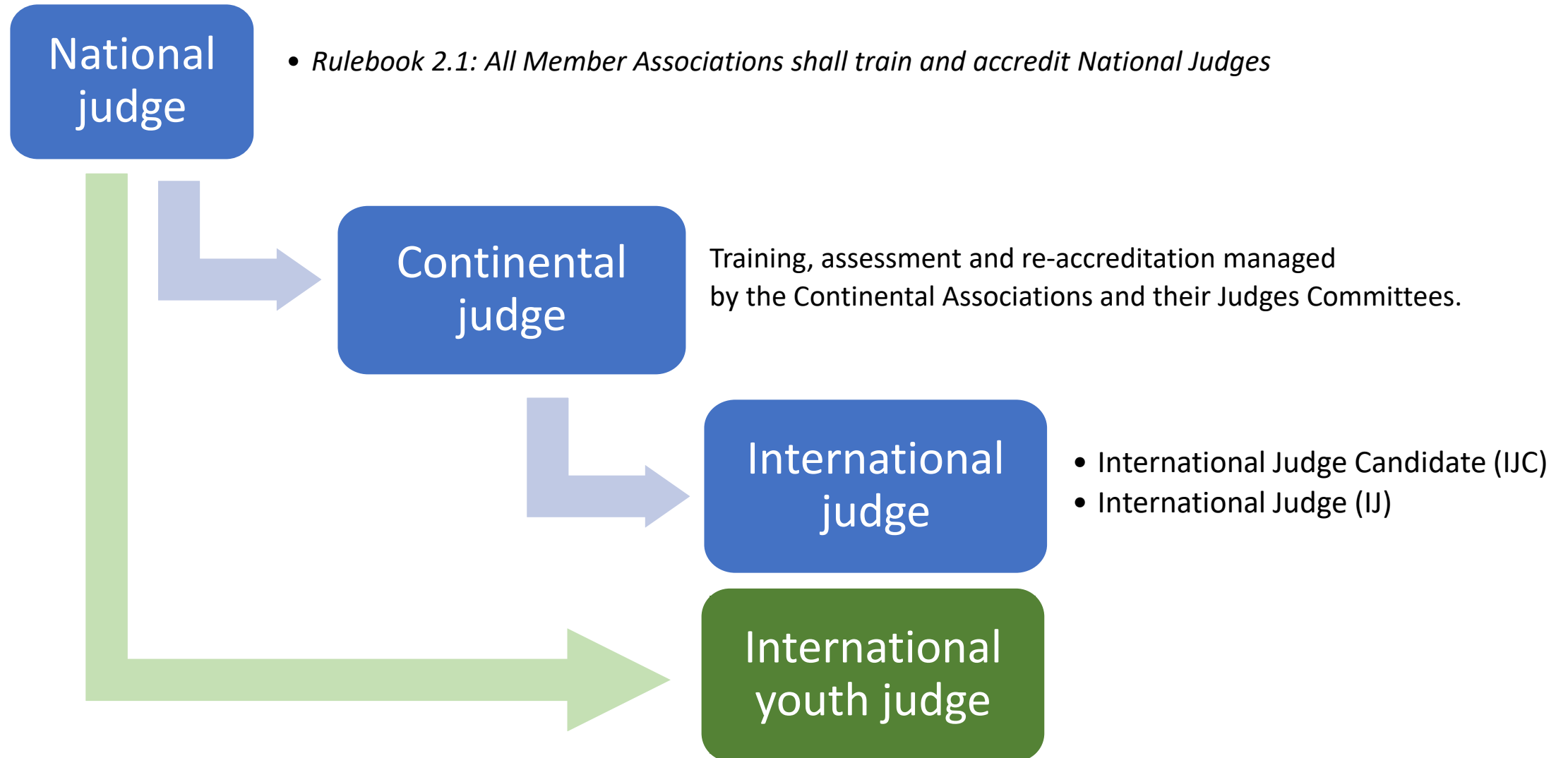
- The education of new judges and training of approved World Archery Judges.
 - Courses, conferences, newsletters, judges guidebook, online training.
- The re-accreditation process.
- Keeping an up-to-date list of World Archery Judges.
- The appointment of Judges for World Championships and other major World Archery events.
- Continuous assessment of judge performance and judging procedures.

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 - Judges organisation
 - First accreditation
 - Youth judge accreditation
 - World Archery judge reaccreditation
 - Warnings, suspensions and withdrawal of accreditation
 - Upgrades
 - Special requirements (who is eligible to serve at the Olympics?)
 - Composition of tournament judge commissions
 - Reports
 - Retirement of judges

Levels of judges



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Requirements

Requirements:

National Judges

Set by each National Federation

Continental Judges

- Candidates must have been judging nationally for at least two years.
- Must be supported by their MA.
- Must attend a continental seminar and pass the exam.
- Language requirements are set by each Continental Association.



International Judge Candidate must:

- ... be a Continental Judge.
- ... have received positive assessment from their Judge Commission Chairman at a World Ranking Event after becoming Continental.
- ... have their application form signed by their National Federation and Continental Association.
- .. be able to communicate in English.
- ... attend an IJC Seminar and pass the exam. Online tests must be taken and passed prior to the IJC seminar.

Requirements:

International Judge

- Upgrade from IJC to IJ depends on position availability. There is a maximum of 70 International Judges set by the WA Executive Board. Consideration is given to:
 - IJC performance at International Events
 - Regional representation
 - Gender equity
 - Not more than 4 International Judges in the same National Federation.

Sources of information



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World Archery webpage

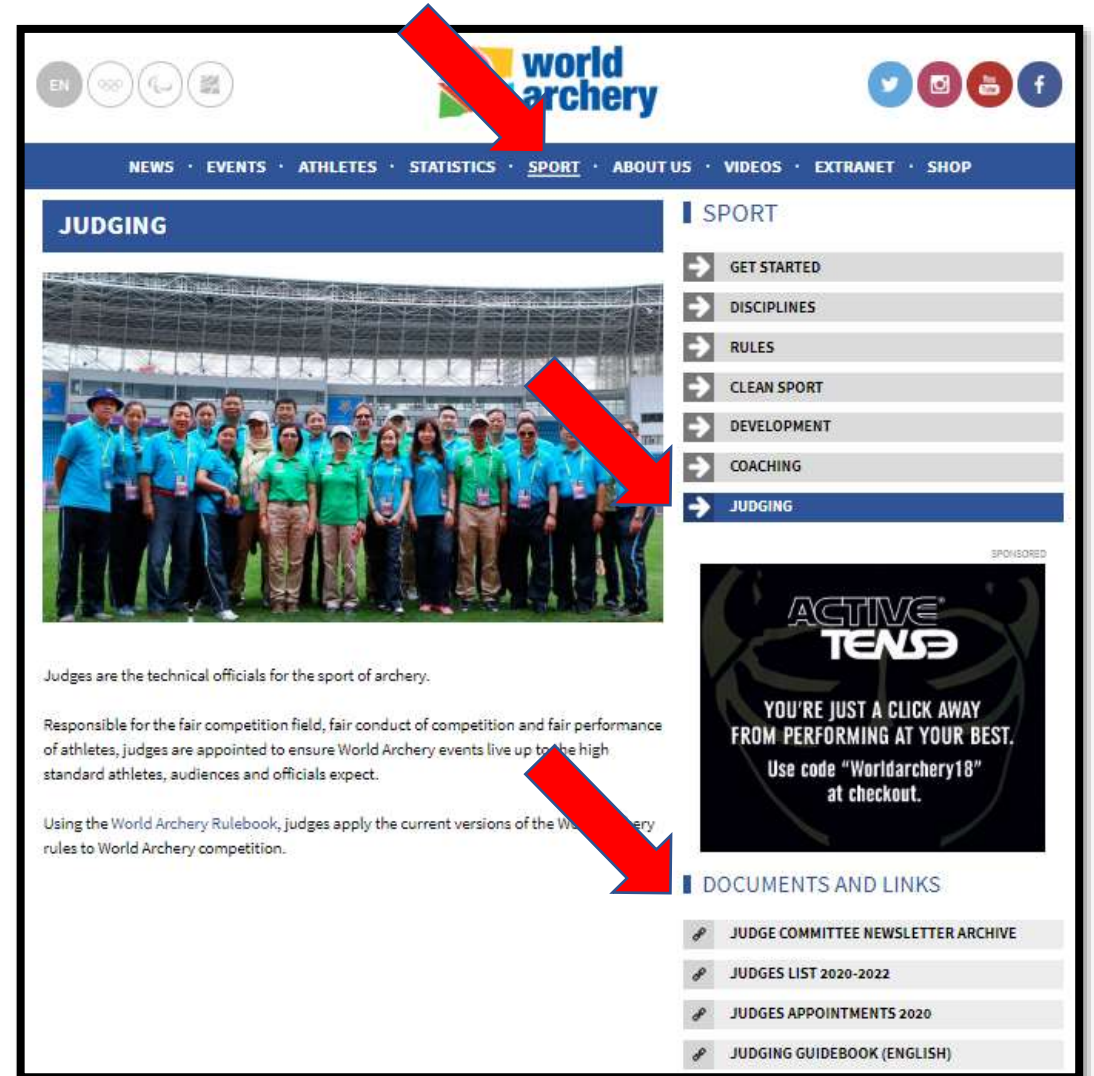
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Sources of information

World Archery rulebook

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Book 1, Appendix 4

Organisation and procedure for the judges committee

APPENDIX 4

ORGANISATION AND PROCEDURE FOR THE JUDGES COMMITTEE

JUDGES ORGANISATION

Judges are organised as follows:

- World Archery Judges, composed of:
 - World Archery International Judges (World Archery-IJs);
 - World Archery International Judge Candidates (World Archery-IJCs);
 - World Archery Youth Judges (World Archery-YJs);
- Continental Judges (CJs);
- National Judges (NJs).

NATIONAL JUDGES (NJS)

2.1.

All Member Associations shall train and accredit National Judges (NJs).

2.1.1.

NJs are eligible to serve at all tournaments unless otherwise provided in the Constitution & Rules.

2.1.2.

Training and approval procedures shall comply with the instructions of the Judges Committee to ensure consistency in judging in tournaments conducted under World Archery Rules.

Sources of information

Foundational

[Rule Book 2](#): Events

[Rule Book 3](#): Target Archery

[Rule Book 4](#): Field & 3D Archery

[Judge's Guide Book](#) – For all process and procedures related to judging

Enhancement

[Rule Book 1](#): Constitution

[Rule Book 5](#): Miscellaneous Rounds

[Rule Book 6](#): Anti-Doping Rules

[Appeal Procedure](#) – Jury Members

Continuous Update

[Bylaws](#) – Changes in the rule between 2 Congress. Updates can be found inserted in the rule book as well as a list on the extranet

[Interpretations](#) – Explanation / clarification of a rule. Can be found in [WA Rules page](#) - also cross reference to the exact article in rule book

[Judges' Newsletter](#) – WA JC makes sure any new bylaw or interpretation is covered along with a set of case studies which represent real life situations and explanation by WA JC on steps to resolve the issue

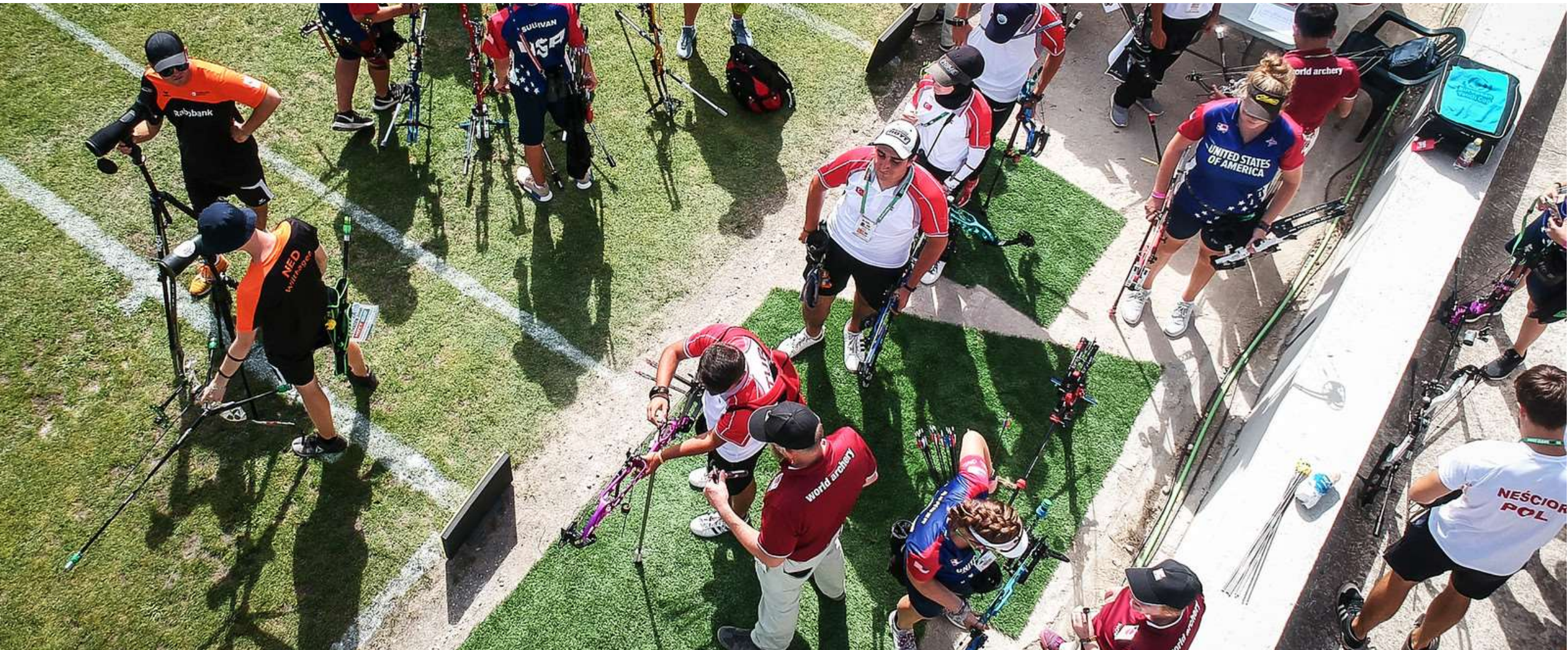
Training Support

[Online Training Aids](#): Presentations detailing various aspects of rules and their application. Broad categorisation:

- *What it means to be a WA Judge* – roles, responsibility, attitude, etc
- *Duties in different roles* – as a Judge/Chairman/DOS
- *Tournament Procedures* – equipment & venue inspection / qualification / match play (team, individual)
- *Procedure for line calls*
- *Quiz on scoring errors*

[E-Learning Portal](#) – Online portal covering basic modules of rules along with quizzes after each module and a test at the end

Education



Each Member Association decides how to organise their own system.

Structure may depend on:

- **size** of National Federation
- **number of events** held every year
- **types of events** (target, field, 3D, para, etc)

Judge Education System may be:

- Adapted from that of another World Archery Member Association.
- Adapted from one set by their NOC for several sports.

Federations should design **a judge education system** which should include:

- Levels of judges (area, state, provincial, national)
- Requisites for each level
- Seminar structure and duration
- Number of events judged to be eligible for an upgrade to a higher level
- Minimum score to pass seminar exams
- Reaccreditation (how often / requirements)
- Continuous education (ways/resources/assessment)
- Appointment to events depending on judge level

Judge Education – national level



Suggestions:

- Combine seminars with tournaments to allow field practice.
- Seminar content should match the level of judge aimed at. (e.g. scoring procedure at a World Championships Finals with alternate shooting not to be included in a seminar for beginners).
- Seminar lecturers should be experienced judges, but should also be good communicators with teaching skills.
- Exams should combine questions demanding knowledge of specific rules, but also the candidates' abilities to make decisions on situations not described in detail in the rules book.
- A National Judges' Committee should be formed to assist the National Federation on matters related with judge education, assessment and appointments to events.

Suggestions:

- Encourage the education of judges who can communicate in English.
- Encourage the education of young judges.
- New judges should be mentored by more experienced judges at their first events.
- Appoint event commission chairmen who are good leaders and are able to create team work.
- Implement a judge assessment form to be filled out by the chairman and discussed with the judge concerned (can be adapted from the one used by the WA Judges Committee).

How can the World Archery Judges Committee assist?

- By advising on National Judge Education and Training systems,
- Advising on seminar syllabus and exams,
- Suggesting possible lecturers if the National Federation does not have National Judges who can conduct national judge seminars

Background

World Archery have set up a dedicated learning platform that enables the initial training of Judges through an online course.

The course is designed to introduce Judges to the basic rules for Target Archery, which would then be supplemented by attendance at a seminar to extend the learning and put it into practice.

Course Contents

The e-learning course currently covers Target Archery only.

It has a total of five modules, with a number of units per module, covering the following subjects:

Module	Units
1. Venue & Field of Play Inspections	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Layoutb) Safetyc) Measurements & tolerances for the venue and equipmentd) Timing equipmente) Miscellaneous equipment

Module	Units
2. Athlete Equipment & Inspection	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Recurveb) Compoundc) Conducting equipment inspection
3. Competition and shooting times and limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a) Classes & divisionsb) Competition structure, including distances and number of arrows shotc) Shooting time limit and structured) Practice timese) Shooting

Module	Units
4. Scoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a) General principles of scoring, athlete requirements and Judge proceduresb) Indoor scoring – multiple spot facesc) Compound and recurve team scoring – outdoors and indoorsd) Scoring results and tie breaks
5. Penalties, disputes & appeals	<ul style="list-style-type: none">a) General overview of penaltiesb) Warningsc) Shooting & scoring penaltiesd) Team round scoring and time penaltiese) Disputes & Appeals processes

Who can have access to the course?

1. All judges who register to attend an International or Youth International Judge Seminar will have to undertake the E-Learning Course and pass the final test as part of the eligibility process for a course.
2. Continental Associations may arrange for Judges who are to attend Continental Judge seminars to undertake the course prior to attending the seminar.
3. Member Associations may arrange for Judges to undertake the course as part of their training towards attending a National Judge seminar.
4. All IJ/IJc's and YJ's must have access as undertaking the course will form a part of the ongoing reaccreditation cycle.

How is access arranged?

In order to arrange access, the Member Association of the Judge(s) concerned need to contact the World Archery office and request access codes. No codes will be provided to individuals.

What is the charge?

There is a charge for each access, depending on the number of access codes requested:

1-19 codes: 15 CHF/each

20-99 codes: 12 CHF/each

100+ codes: 10 CHF/each

Each Member Association will be charged at the end of the year, unless requested differently.

What will happen after access code is provided?

Each code can be used by one person and is valid for one year. The Member Association is responsible for managing the codes that were provided to them.

The participant will need to go to <https://education.worldarchery.org> and will need to provide personal details with the first log-in.

Does passing online course give participants a certification?

No, but passing online course might be one of the requirements for certain certification.

Who do I contact for more information?

For information about the course, please contact Graham Potts, World Archery Judge Committee, by email – graham@pottsy.me.uk

For information about access and charges, please contact Melany Postigo at World Archery by email – mpostigo@archery.sport

Roles of judges



Roles of judges – national level



Judges are responsible for:

- Making sure the venue complies with the rules.
- Making sure the archers' equipment does not contravene any rules.
- The conduct of shooting (time, number of arrows, not disturbing other archers, equipment failures, pass-throughs, etc).
- The conduct of scoring (making arrow calls, solving ties, applying score penalties, etc.)

Judges **MAY NOT** make up rules, nor may they apply penalties not listed in the rules books.

Roles of judges – national level



Well-trained judges are an asset in a competition. They ensure compliance with the rules so that tournament results can be accepted for national records and other awards.

Their knowledge of the rules allows them to assist the Organising Committee, the field crew and the results team.

Accreditation and re-accreditation



Accreditation - internationally



International Seminars

Organised and conducted by the World Archery Judges' Committee.

Usually one per year or every other year.

Continental Seminars

Organised and conducted by the Continental Associations.

Usually one per year.



Re-accreditation



Re-accreditation processes are necessary to ensure that our judges keep themselves updated. Rules are changing constantly.

World Archery: 4-year re-accreditation. Judges must attend a Conference and pass the timed test at the Conference. They must also receive positive feedback from their chairmen, be supported by their National and Continental Associations and pass a re-accreditation test.

Continental Associations: 4-year re-accreditation. Judges must pass a test, and be supported by their National Associations.

Role of national federations



Your role as national federation



- Design and implement a National Judge Education and Training System
- Create a National Judges Committee
- Accredite your own judges (up to national level)
- Register your best candidates to attend Continental and International Judge Candidate Seminars

Contacts



Sergio Font, Chairperson of Judges' Committee, sergiofont@yahoo.com

- Questions related to Appendix 4, National Judge Education and Training systems, seminar syllabus, exams.

Indranil Datta, Deputy Chairperson of Judges' Committee, indranildatta1440@gmail.com

- Guide book

Graham Potts, Member of the Judges' Committee, Graham@pottsy.me.uk

- General questions on e-learning

Severine Deriaz, Senior Office Coordinator, sderiaz@archery.sport

- Registration to courses, main contact for international judges (answers to case studies, appointments and travel coordination etc)

Melany Postigo, Development Project Coordinator, mpostigo@archery.sport

- Access codes for online courses

Thank you

