

ARCHERY AUSTRALIA NEWS

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2016 NATIONAL INDOOR

Competitors have now been set up in Archers Diary by the local organising committees for the 2016 National Indoor.

If you wish, you can check the Division and Class to which you have been allocated by using this link [CLICK HERE](#).

If you find an error contact your local Venue Organising Committee, contact details can be found at the following link [CLICK HERE](#)

For target allocations, also contact your local organising committee. Do not contact the Archery Australia Office as we can not assist you and you will direct to your local organising committee.

CAMOUFLAGE EQUIPMENT

In the December 2014 Archery Australia Board News provided notification of a World Archery decision concerning the use of camouflage equipment.

Since then there appeared to be some level of confusion over this decision which has prompted a number of member questions to the Archery Australia Office forcing Archery Australia to make a number of public statements over this matter.

From recent comments, in particular from archery dealers, it appears this confusion continues?

To clarify the situation I am again publishing the original article –

For people considering trying for selection to an International team, be aware that World Archery has advised that the use of any equipment or personal items that are camouflage coloured or has a camouflage pattern is not permitted at **World Championships and World Cups**.

This includes all equipment that is taken onto the Field of Play i.e. bow, clothing, quiver etc even items such as a carry bag, armguard, scope, tripod or binocular strap.

ARCHERY AUSTRALIA'S VIEW POINT

EQUIPMENT

Archery Australia takes a slightly different view of camouflage coloured equipment to World Archery.

For tournaments conducted in Australia it is accepted that camouflage coloured equipment in particular bows **are permitted**, as they are generally cheaper to purchase than coloured bows and we do not want to disadvantage anyone.

This includes Archery Australia and World Archery registered tournaments as well as QREs.

CLOTHING

In making the statement above concerning equipment, we have had long standing rules concerning clothing.

Archery Australia Shooting Rules restrict the wearing of camouflage clothing.

Refer to Archery Australia Shooting Rule 7.10.7 that states –

The following items of clothing are not permitted:

Clothing with inappropriate or offensive images, slogans or advertising, untidy, unclean, damaged or torn clothing.

Camouflage style clothing or clothing intended to break-up a person's image or blend into the bush, such as green or green-based camouflage.

REMEMBER - The total ban on Camouflage equipment only applies to specific World Archery tournaments such as World Championships and World Cups.

Except for Archery Australia Shooting Rule 7.10.7 the World Archery equipment rule DOES NOT apply to any tournament conducted in Australia as a Archery Australia and/or World Archery registered tournament.

World Archery has indicated this rule for World Championships and World Cups was introduced only from an image and presentation point of view.

World Championships and World Cups are videoed and this video is shown in many cases live on TV and YouTube.

Archery Australia Shooting Rule 7.10.7 was introduced from a safety point of view and not necessarily from an image or presentation point of view.

2017 YOUTH WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Archery Australia Youth Development Committee has received a number of enquiries regarding the above event which will be held in Buenos Aires, Argentina in October 2017.

The Archery Australia Youth Development Committee are excited with the level of interest shown by so many and I can advise that the selection document for this event is not far from being finalised and published on the Archery Australia website.

This event is open to Youth archers - Cadet and Under 20's (World Archery Junior) and we are hoping that we can field teams of three (3) in Division, Category and Gender.

Those of you who will be of Intermediate age in 2017 are more than welcome to nominate for team selection.

If you are an archer thinking about trying out for this team you will need to start preparing now!!

Please bear in mind that if you are currently an Intermediate archer but wish to, or are required to, shoot as a Cadet in 2017 you will need to shoot the distances required for a Cadet archer – there will be no adjusted scores used to obtain the set minimum qualifying score (MQS).

If you have any questions the best source for feedback is to email the Youth Committee at the following email address - youthcommittee@archery.org.au

BJORN TARGET FACES

In Archery Australia News 17-2016 I mentioned advice received from World Archery concerning Bjorn Bengston target faces.

Following an enquiry to World Archery concerning the advice received I am advised the revoking of the licence of these target faces will not come into effect until 31 July 2016.

This means Bjorn Target Faces are still acceptable for World Archery events, World Archery ranking events and competitions registered on World Archery Calendar until 31 July 2016.

As such the use of Bjorn Target Face will be acceptable for the 2016 National Indoor Championships.

REMEMBER – This decision by World Archery only affects International Tournaments and World Archery registered tournaments.

After 31 July 2016 it will not affect Club events, QREs that are not World Archery registered or Archery Australia registered tournaments, **only International and World Archery registered tournaments.**

Regards

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