

2017 IWGA World Games - Archery Format and Rules

Disciplines:

- Field, Target

The World Games Competition Outline:

Target – Compound-

- Day 1 - Ranking Round (72 arrows) at 50m
- Day 2 - Elimination matches (15-arrow matches for individuals, 16-arrow matches for mixed teams)
- Day 3 - Medal Elimination Matches

Field - Recurve and Barebow-

- Day 1 – Ranking Round
- Day 2 – Elimination (single elimination in two pool groups)
- Day 3 – Finals

Differences between the World Championships and the World Games:

Target

- The compound bow is used, no recurve bow
- Same rules, scoring and competition format used at the World Championships is used at the World Games.
- Only 3 medal events at the World Games, women's individual, men's individual and mixed team. There is no team competition at the World Games.
- A maximum of 24 male and 24 female competitors at the World Games and national federations can qualify a maximum of 2 male and 2 female quotas places.

Field

- The recurve and barebow is used, no compound bow.
- Same rules and scoring used at the World Championships is used at the World Games.
- Only 4 individual medal events at the World Games. There is no team competition at the World Games.
- A maximum of 12 male and 12 female competitors in both the recurve and barebow categories at the World Games. National federations can qualify a maximum of 2 male and 2 female quotas places.
- A shorter qualification round (only 24 targets shot in one day, rather than 48 targets over two days) followed by a new head-to-head matchplay format to be more media and spectator friendly.

Changes since the World Games 2013 Cali (COL):

- Target Compound, there is no change.
- The competition format for field has been modified to make the event more appealing and friendly for media and spectators with more head to head elimination matches.

Sport Rules and Procedures:

Target archery (compound bow)

Qualification

- The ranking round consists of all athletes shooting 72 arrows at a distance of 50m.
- The highest score that can be achieved with one arrow is 10 points, the lowest score is five points.
- The highest scorer will be ranked number one, the second highest scorer will be ranked number one and so on until all athletes are ranked.
- Athletes will be paired into a head to head elimination draw. If there are not enough athletes in the draw, byes will be awarded to the top ranked athletes.
- The same ranking round scores achieved for the individual event will also be used to determine the rankings for the mixed team.
- The highest-scoring female and male athlete of the same category and national team will be combined to achieve a mixed team ranking round score. Mixed teams will be ranked according to the scores they have achieved and paired into a head-to-head elimination bracket.
- Countries may change the composition of the mixed team latest 1h before start of elimination matches.

Elimination and finals

- Compound matches are decided using cumulative scoring.
- For the individual event, athletes shoot 15 arrows in five ends of three arrows. The athlete with the highest 15-arrow score wins the match.
- If an individual compound match is tied on cumulative score then the match is decided by a single-arrow shoot-off. Each athlete shoots one arrow and the arrow that lands closest to the middle wins the match. If no winner can be decided, the process is repeated until a winner is found.
- The elimination brackets advance until there are four athletes remaining to shoot the semifinals. The losers of the two semifinals compete in a bronze medal match while the winners of the two semifinals compete in the gold medal match to decide who wins the tournament.
- Compound mixed team matches are decided using cumulative scoring. Mixed teams shoot 16 arrows in four ends of four arrows; the mixed team with the highest 16-arrow total wins the match.
- If a mixed team match is tied on cumulative score, then the match is decided by a shoot-off. Each athlete in the mixed team shoots one arrow. The mixed team with the highest cumulative score wins the match. However, if both mixed teams are tied on score, the arrow of the mixed team that measures closest to the centre of the target wins the match. If the measurement of the arrows closest to the middle is the same, then the second closest arrows to the centre of the target will decide the match. If no winner can be decided, the process is repeated until a winner is found.

Field archery (recurve and barebow)

Qualification

- Qualification will consist of 12 unmarked and 12 marked targets on the course.
- Athletes shoot three arrows at each target, six points is the maximum that can be scored with one arrow.
- All athletes will shoot first, on an unmarked course of 12 targets, meaning athletes will need to use their skill to guess the distance, size of the target and shooting angle of each shot.
- Athletes will be ranked on the cumulative points achieved on the unmarked course and be re-grouped for the next phase of the competition. Groups will consist of athletes ranked 1-4, 5-8, 9-12.
- The same athletes will then shoot a course of 12 marked targets, meaning the distance and target size will be known.
- At the conclusion of the 24 targets, the highest scorer will be ranked number one, the second highest scorer will be ranked number one and so on until all athletes are ranked.

Elimination

- Athletes ranked number one and two are protected from the early elimination rounds and will proceed directly to the semi-finals on day three of competition.
- The remaining 10 athletes will be placed in two separate pools and will compete for the remaining two semifinal spaces.
 - Pool A will consist of athletes ranked 3, 6, 7, 10, 11.
 - Pool B will consist of athletes ranked 4, 5, 8, 9, 12.
- A winner stays on concept is applied with the first match being between the two lowest ranked athletes in the pool. The winner of the match proceeds to shoot against the next highest rank athlete until only one athlete remains.
- Each match is decided using cumulative scoring.
- If a match is tied on cumulative score then the match is decided by a single-arrow shoot-off on the last target of the course. Each athlete shoots one arrow and the arrow that lands closest to the middle wins the match. If no winner can be decided, the process is repeated until a winner is found.
- Elimination matches will take place over a six target course, with archers shooting three arrows on each target.
- To avoid athlete shooting the same course, each target has three shooting positions of varying distances in short, medium and long positions.
- To ensure that the spectators get to see the top ranking athletes on day two of competition the top two ranked athletes will shoot in a show match at the start of the session. The winner of the match can select which Pool (either A or B) they wish to shoot against in their semi-final.

Finals

- The winning athletes will be paired with their semifinal opponent. The winners will progress to the gold medal match, the losing semifinalists will shoot for the bronze medal.
- Finals matches will take place over a four-target course, with archers shooting three arrows on each target.
 - Each match is decided using cumulative scoring.
 - If a match is tied on cumulative score then the match is decided by a single-arrow shoot-off on the last target of the course. Each athlete shoots one arrow and the arrow that lands closest to the middle wins the match. If no winner can be decided, the process is repeated until a winner is found.

Penalties / Disqualification Rules:

Target Compound-

- Athletes can be penalised points for:
 - Shooting an arrow out of the time limit given.
 - Not marking the arrow holes on their target face should an arrow bounce or fall out of the scoring zone on the target before scoring.
 - Not completing their 10+Xs totals correctly on their score cards.
 - Athletes can be disqualified for acts of cheating, unsportsmanlike conduct, using unauthorised archery equipment during competition and for not signing or completing the total score on their scorecards.

Field-

- Athletes can be penalised points for:
 - Shooting an arrow out of the time limit given.
 - Not marking the arrow holes on their target face should an arrow bounce or fall out of the scoring zone on the target before scoring
 - Not completing their totals of 6 and 5s correctly on their score cards.
 - Athletes can be disqualified for acts of cheating, unsportsmanlike conduct, using unauthorised archery equipment/electrical aiding devices during competition and for not signing or completing the total score on their scorecards.

Protests / Appeals:

- An appointed Jury of Appeal will evaluate and decide appeals.
- An intention to appeal must be submitted to the Chairman of the Judges Commission within 5 minutes of the end of the match/round with a fee of 50 Euro.
- A full appeal must be made within 15 minutes.
- If the appeal is upheld, the 50 Euro fee will be returned.