

INTERPRETATIONS

WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES

Book 3, Chapter 11, Article 11.4.8.1 and Book 4, Chapter 22, Article 22.3.8.1

The German Shooting Sport and Archery Federation has requested an interpretation as to whether the tab shown below is legal for the Barebow Division.

The Constitution and Rules Committee (“C&R”) finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Technical Committee.

C&R has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

Response from the Technical Committee:

It is the majority decision of the Technical Committee that the finger tab shown below is legal in the Barebow division of World Archery. There is nothing in the current rule (Article 11.4.8.1 and Article 22.3.8.1) that indicates the marks must have uniform spacing.

Articles 11.4.8.1 and 22.3.8.1

A separator between the fingers to prevent pinching the arrow may be used. An anchor plate or similar device attached to the finger protection (tab) for the purpose of anchoring is permitted. The stitching shall be uniform in size and colour. Marks or lines may be added directly to the tab or on a tape placed on the face of the tab. These marks shall be uniform in size, shape and colour. Additional memoranda is not permitted. On the bow hand an ordinary glove, mitten or similar item may be worn but shall not be attached to the grip of the bow.

Comment by C&R:

The German Shooting Sport and Archery Federation noted that the Technical Committee made a statement in an interpretation dated 5 July 2017 which could be understood as requiring that spacing between the lines/marks must be uniform. However, this was not the intent of the Technical Committee. In that interpretation, the Technical Committee only determined that a tab which had multiple lines of two different lengths is legal.

World Archery Technical Committee, 26 March 2020
Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 23 May 2020

