



# CONSTITUTION AND RULES FORM

Request for Bylaw, Interpretation or Editorial Change.

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1. Nature of Request :	Bylaw (*) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X Interpretation (**) <input type="checkbox"/> Editorial Change <input type="checkbox"/>
2. Submitted by:	Technical Committee and Field and 3D Committee
3. Capacity:	World Archery President <input type="checkbox"/> Executive Board Member <input type="checkbox"/> Member Association <input type="checkbox"/> Continental Association <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Committee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X
4. Date Submitted to WA Office:	
5. Book, Chapter, Article:	MENTION PRECISELY - OR ALL ARTICLE NUMBERS IF IT CONCERNS SEVERAL ARTICLES (IE: Book 1, Chapter 2, Article 2.1) Book 3, Chapter 11, Articles 11.4.6.1, 11.4.6.2 and 11.4.10.1 Book 4, Chapter 22, Articles 22.3.6.1, 22.3.6.2 and 22.3.10.1
6. Change Requested or Question:	USE THE CONSTITUTION & RULES BOOK FORMAT FOR CHANGE(S) REQUEST (UNDERLINE NEW WORDING, STRIKEOUT OLD WORDING, ALIGNMENT, ETC)  <del>22.3.6.1. and 11.4.6.1. Vibration dampeners fitted as part of the bow are permitted provided that they do not have stabilisers.</del> <b><u>Vibration dampeners are permitted. They may be installed in the riser by the manufacturer, or by attaching aftermarket dampeners directly to the riser or to weight(s). Any combination of weight(s) and vibration dampener(s) must pass through a ring with an inside diameter of 12.2 cm (+/- 0.5mm) without having to flex vibration dampeners to fit through the 12.2 cm ring. A riser manufacturers' angled stabilizer insert(s) are allowed, but angular brackets or connectors are not permitted. Weight(s) and dampener(s) may be added below and above the riser's grip, but must not aid the athlete in aiming or ranging in any way.</u></b>  <del>22.3.6.2. and 11.4.6.2. Weight(s) may be added to the lower part of the riser. All weights, regardless of shape, shall mount directly to the riser without rods, extensions, angular mounting connections or shock absorbing devices.</del>

\* According to World Archery Constitution and Rules, Book 1 Appendix 1 Article 6.6

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	<p><i>22.3.10.1. and 11.4.10.1. Including arm guard, chest protector, bow sling, finger sling, belt, back, hip or ground-quiver. Devices to raise a foot or part thereof, attached or independent of the shoe, are permitted provided that the devices do not present an obstruction to other athletes at the shooting line/peg or protrude more than 2cm past the footprint of the shoe. <del>Also permitted are limb dampeners</del></i></p>
<p>7. Reason(s):</p>	<p>The reasoning behind the rule change is the unnecessary restrictions posed by current rules that disallow weights to be connected to vibration dampeners. Due to the continuous improvements in equipment available on today's market and the amount of energy new equipment models generate, the vibration created by these bows and the extremely light weight arrows shot from them generate a substantial amount of vibration. This vibration, without the aid of vibration dampeners is mainly absorbed by the archers' shoulder, elbow and wrist joints. In an effort to reduce repetitive motion injuries, our committees feel that it is important to protect the archers' and prolong their archery careers. In the past, our committees changed the rule regarding string silencers in the Instinctive and Long Bow divisions for the same reason, to allow for vibration reduction. We feel that if the bow used in the barebow division can fit through a 12.2 cm ring, weights, regardless of being attached to vibration dampeners or not, should be legal in the attempt to reduce these common repetitive motion injuries.</p>

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