

INTERPRETATIONS

WORLD ARCHERY CONSTITUTION AND RULES

BOOK 3 – Appendix 2, Article 1.1.3

The Judge Committee has requested an interpretation with respect to the following wording: “All parts of the chair back and lateral support shall be at least 110mm below the athlete's armpit while shooting at any distance” Specifically, what does this language intend to achieve in terms of avoiding support and how can judges verify this during actual competition.

The Constitution and Rules Committee finds the question presented to be within the terms of reference of the Para-Archery Committee.

The Constitution and Rules Committee has determined that the following interpretation is not contrary to the existing rules or Congress decisions.

The following is the decision of the Para-Archery Committee:

The intention of the rule is to have people not using not their scapula for additional support (to kind of slouch over the back or handle.. “hooking to the back”).

There should be no additional support for bow arm and shoulder blades would be considered part of it.

Para Archery committee agree that it is good to understand the rule as follows:

All parts of the chair back and lateral support shall be at least 110mm below the athlete's armpit while shooting at any distance and therefore athletes are not allowed to use shoulder blades over any part of the chair to gain additional stability. In the case of uneven/rotated shoulder height (e.g. scoliosis), the distance is measured from the lower shoulder.

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