

MANAWATU ARCHERY CLUB INC



CLUB RULES 2016

1. The rules set out hereunder have been introduced to assist with the efficient conduct of the Manawatu Archery Club (Referred to thereafter as: the Club) and shall always be interpreted as subordinate to the Constitution of the Club.

2. Equipment Type:

The following types of equipment are recognised for use in the Club:

Recurve FITA rules apply	Compound FITA rules apply
Barebow FITA rules apply for field	Crossbow WCSA rules apply
Longbow Archery New Zealand rules	

3. Membership:

New members:

Beginner archers who want to join the Club must go through a beginner training session and be deemed safe to participate in the sport of archery by the Club committee before they can be allowed to be members.

Experienced archers who want to join the Club must be deemed safe to participate in the sport of archery by the Club committee before they can be allowed to be members.

Membership fees:

Fees for the financial year commencing on the 1st of October 2016

	1 st October 16	1 st January 17	1 st April 17	1 st July 17
Senior	\$130	\$100	\$70	\$40
Junior (up to age of 20)	\$80	\$62.50	\$45	\$27.50
Family (at least 3 members)	\$300	\$227.50	\$155.00	\$82.50
Student (with ID# _____)	\$105	\$81.25	\$57.50	\$33.75

Non-Shooting Member \$15

Associate Member \$30(6 shoots)

The fees above include \$10 Wellington Archery Association membership, for a family this is for the first member joining (additional members need to pay \$10 WAA fees each)

Only after fees have been collected shall a person be considered a member of the Club and issued a membership card.

The fees cover all expenses relating to outdoor shooting on Club shooting days. It does not cover: indoor shooting fees, entry fees to tournaments, membership fees to Archery New Zealand.

Range fees for non Manawatu club members, non affiliated \$10, affiliated \$5 (member of an archery club)

Keys:

Members over 18 years of age may receive, on approval by the Committee members and upon completion of the membership procedure and payment of a \$15 deposit, a set of keys allowing entry to the Club rooms (All lost keys will be replaced at the expense of the member). The deposit will be refunded on return of the keys at any time. The Committee members reserve the rights to ask for the return of the keys from anybody who is justifiably not deemed safe to possess them or has ceased to be a member.

Indoor shooting:

Indoor shooting: to be eligible to access the indoor venue when available, archers need to be current financial members of the club. While shooting indoors all Club rules apply.

4. Behaviour of members and spectators:

Junior members under the age of 13 must be supervised by a caregiver at all time. The Club does not accept responsibility for junior members 13 to 18 not accompanied by a caregiver or adult.

Children and animals of members are permitted on the grounds as long as they are kept under control. The assembly of the present Club committee members has all powers to ask for anybody to be removed from the Club grounds.

Smoking is not permitted on the Club outdoor range, indoor range or club rooms.

No intoxicated persons (from alcohol and/or drugs) will be allowed on the Club outdoor range, indoor range or club rooms. The assembly of the present Club committee members has all powers to remove such persons from the Club grounds

The assembly of the present Club committee members has all powers to remove persons who are deemed disruptive, frightening or potentially dangerous from the Club grounds.

5. Safety**Safety procedure:**

During ANY shooting at the Club outdoor grounds the warning red flag must be raised, the "Warning Archery in Progress" sign must be displayed, and the entry gate to the range must remain closed to vehicles traffic at all times.

A director of shooting DOS shall be appointed to control the shooting, timing and order of the shooting, and shall be responsible for safety precautions.

Lines:

- **Shooting line:** The line from which the arrows are shot. While shooting is in progress, only those archers whose turn it is to shoot may be on the shooting line. No archer may draw her/his bow with an arrow knocked, except when standing on the shooting line. If an arrow is used, the archer shall aim towards the targets, but only after being satisfied that the field is clear both in front of and behind the targets.

- **Waiting line** (5m behind shooting line): The waiting line behind which all archers and their equipment must remain unless shooting or collecting arrows,

- **Spectator line** (10m behind waiting line): All spectators must remain behind this line when shooting is in progress

DOS Whistles:

- **2 whistles:** at this signal, the archers go from the waiting line to the shooting line and get prepared to shoot. Archers can knock an arrow at this point; however they **MUST NOT** rise or draw their bow.

- **1 whistle:** the signal that archers can start shooting. The shooting takes place for 4 minutes for a 6 arrow end and 2 minutes for a 3 arrow end.

- **3 whistles:** the signal that all archers have completed shooting or the end of the shooting time. The archers can move forward to score and collect their arrows.

-**Multiple whistle or “STOP / HOLD FAST” shout: Emergency signal, all archers MUST STOP shooting immediately.**

Anybody can and should call the emergency signal if in suspicion of any danger

6. Official Club Shooting Times:

Monday: Junior night 5.30pm (summer time)

Wednesday: Club night 5.30pm (all club members)

Sunday: All Club members 9am-12pm, Beginners 9-10am.

Shooting out of Official Club time:

Individual members can shoot out of official Club shooting time, if they have been issued a key, or if junior, are in the company of a key-holding member, and allowing that they use their own target faces. Individual members shooting out of official club shooting time take all responsibility for Club gear and grounds and safety rules as outlined in chapter 5. Shooting on your own is not encouraged by the Club for safety reasons. If you do so, it is on the understanding that the Club will not be held accountable for the consequences of your actions while so doing.

Working Bees:

Attendance to working bees, when called by the Club committee, should be seen as inherent to being a member.

7. Official scores:

Official scores can only be accepted when the scorecard have been signed by the Archer and a senior member of the Club acting as Scorer and/or Witness (if possible) and submitted to the records officer or the club secretary.

Range Rules

1. All archers please sign in before shooting
2. All archers must obey the DOS at all times
3. When waiting to take a target trolley out onto the range please make sure it is left in a position that does not obstruct the DOS's vision down the shooting line
4. No archer to draw a bow, with or without an arrow, off the shooting line
5. Compound bows limited to 60lb draw weight
6. No broadhead arrows to be used
7. Bows not in use to be kept behind the safety line
8. Fully enclosed shoes must be worn on the range (no barefeet, jandals, sandals, etc)
9. No running on the range
10. If you are last to leave the range please ensure that everything is locked up correctly

ADDITIONAL RANGE RULES

11. All archers **MUST** show their membership card to the DOS and sign in before shooting on club days.
12. All archers **MUST** sign in before shooting at all times.
13. All dogs **MUST** be tied up or on a leash at all times when on the range ground.