Five Rules to Know ARCHERY



Scoring System

The target is divided into 10 concentric rings with scores ranging from 1 to 10 points. The center ring scores 10 points, while the outer rings decrease in value by 1 point each. An arrow touching the line between two rings scores the higher value.

Shooting Sequence and Time Limit

Archers shoot in rounds, with a set number of arrows per round. Recurve and Compound Archery: Archers have 40 seconds per arrow. If an archer shoots after the time expires, the arrow scores zero points.

Equipment Regulations

Recurve Bows: Has a simple design with curved limbs that "recurve" away from the archer when unstrung.
Compound Bows: More complex with a system of pulleys (cams) and cables. The pulley system reduces the draw weight at full draw, making it easier to hold.

Shooting Distance and Target Setup

Arrows are shot from a distance of 70 meters. The target face must be 122 cm in diameter for outdoor events.

Faults and Disqualifications

If an arrow bounces off the target but is witnessed by officials, it can be reshot or awarded the average score. If an archer shoots more than the allowed arrows per round, the highest scoring arrow(s) will be disqualified. Stepping over the shooting line before releasing the arrow can result in a penalty or zero score for that arrow.