



*Northern Counties Archery Society.*

## Judges Information Update November 2014

### Judge Assessments

Last month we had three judges taking assessment, two were for County and one was for National. The two judges taking their County assessments were from Lancashire and the assessments were taken at the Lancashire indoor Championships held at the beginning of November. The judges were Colin Mudd and Lorraine Morris, both of whom passed the assessments.



The National assessment was taken by Steve Richardson from Durham & Northumberland. The assessment was a written exam which was taken at Lilleshall National Sports Centre. Unfortunately Steve failed the exam for the second year running, which means he now has to fulfil the qualifying criteria again, i.e. minimum number of judging days, before he can apply for National status again.

### WA Interpretations

**Book 3, Article 11.1.9.3, Book 4. Article 22.3.9.2**

The French Archery Federation has requested an interpretation on whether the use of sunglasses which contain polarized lenses is permitted for all types of archery.

#### **Response from the Technical Committee:**

It is the unanimous decision of the Technical Committee that the use of sunglasses which have polarized lenses is legal for all types of archery.

The rules prohibit a system of rear aiming references (e.g., something that would enhance a rear sight such as a micro hole/s in lenses, vertical lines or marks to aid in head and bowstring alignment, etc.).

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Athletes who have poor eyesight may choose to use corrective lenses while others have sensitive eyes and need sun protection. There are polarized lens, anti-glare treatments, transition lenses and more. All of these applications are designed to correct or aid vision, but do not produce reference points that would act as a rear sight for the bow, accordingly, they are permitted under the rules.

**World Archery Technical Committee, 19 November 2014**  
**Approved by the World Archery C&R Committee, 20 November 2014**

## Ground Inspection Survey

This month the National Judge Committee have produced a survey requesting your feedback on ground inspections. As with the one covering the uniform this is totally anonymous so please make sure you complete it. The survey will be available until the 12<sup>th</sup> December and can be found at the following address

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/groundinspections>

Your responses to this survey are very important as they will determine how inspections are conducted in the future.

## National Tournaments 2015

The appointments for the National tournaments have been made and the list has been issued to the office for uploading to the judges web pages, however knowing how quickly the office move I have attached the list of appointments to the email this newsletter came with.

For those of you who applied, you will have been allocated at least one appointment and you should be contacted by the CoJ of appropriate tournament in due course.

## J10 Judging Scheme

At the last National Judges committee meeting several changes were made to the J10 which will affect every judge from Candidate to National. The revised scheme will be published in the New Year and the various changes will come into force immediately, but there effect will take up to four years to be fully implemented.

I will forward information onto you all as it becomes available.

## J15 Annual Returns

We are now in December and the end of 2014 is swiftly approaching which means it is time to start filling out your annual returns listing all your judging days for 2014. Judging days include attending seminars and conferences, ground inspections, field checks (if done on a separate day) as well as tournament days.

In previous years several judges have failed to return a J15 to their JLO's. This year if you fail to return a J15 by the end of January 2015 you will be considered as not having undertaken any judging duties during 2014. This could affect your grade and position as a judge under the new J10 scheme so to avoid this please make sure you complete and return the J15 to your respective JLO's before the deadline. I have attached the form, in various formats, to the email this newsletter came with.

## Christmas

This will be the last newsletter before the festive season starts, so I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy Christmas. Hopefully you will all be able to relax and enjoy yourself during this period, you might even be able do a little shooting.