



Canterbury Archers' Society Inc Course Safety Rules

- Never point a bow and arrow at another person
- Never nock an arrow until ready to shoot, at the appropriate shooting peg or line
- Never shoot an arrow straight up into the air. You can end up hitting another person or yourself.
- If you are looking for a lost arrow behind a target, always leave your bow leaning against the target face so that it will be seen by other archers coming up. If possible, have one archer from your group stand in front of the target to prevent anyone from shooting
- Be sure to stay on the marked path while shooting is in progress
- Keep your equipment well maintained
- Don't draw the string back except with an arrow on it, and especially, don't release the bowstring with no arrow on it. Doing so is called dry firing and can damage the bow
- At practice ranges, the only safe place is behind the shooting line
- Never shoot an arrow until you are positive that no one is in front of you or behind the targets.
Conversely, don't stand in front of a bow while it is being shot, even if you are to one side of the shooter.
Be aware of your arrows flight path in the event of a missed target
- Carefully follow the instructions given by the Range Captain or a Club Member
- Only shoot at the specified targets
- Report any accident, injury or near miss to a Senior Member, these must also be recorded in the Accident Register
- Anyone shooting on a non-club day does so at their own risk and must abide by all rules