



Canterbury  
Archers  
Society.  
Operational Rules (2026)

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# Canterbury Archers Society Inc

## Society Operation Rules

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## A. Society Information

1. Canterbury Archers Society Inc. (amendment 2025).
2. The culture of Canterbury Archers Society Inc. is to encourage all members to self-manage and to promote the society's rules to ensure the health and safety of fellow members and put any suggestions in writing to the committee.
3. All members to read the constitution, health and safety policy and the Canterbury Archers Society Inc. operational rules.
4. The financial year is from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 31<sup>st</sup> March and all fees are set by Canterbury Archers Society Inc. committee each year. Rates can be found at <https://www.canterburyarchers.co.nz/>
5. If anyone wishes to be on the committee, they need to be nominated and agree to be nominated, then voted on at a meeting. The term is for one year.
6. The membership form is to be filled out in each new financial year for renewing members, new membership applications , including life members.
7. If anyone wants to resign from the Canterbury Archers Society Inc. committee or other official positions, they must put in writing to the committee.
8. A subcommittee can be formed with the Canterbury Archers Society Inc. committee's approval to update the constitution, health and safety, operation rules, run competitions etc
9. Membership cards to be always carried while on the course, this to prove to the landowner and the Canterbury Archers Society Inc. you are a member of Canterbury Archers Society Inc. and a financial member.
10. While your car is parked at the shooting ground, you are required to display your Canterbury Archery Society Inc window sticker. If you do not have a sticker, please ask for one from a committee member.
11. The course is open on Sunday's 9.15am till sundown, club shooting starts at 10am and on Wednesdays 12 noon till sundown. Unless it's a working bee or a competition or a special occasion.
12. Put the **DANGER Archery in Progress** sign down on the gate next to the container when entering the shooting ground and the last person out put it up.
13. The gate next to the container is to be kept closed. Also, the gate at the entrance to the carpark is to be left as it is found.
14. No smoking or vaping on course or in the car park.
15. No dogs on course. E.G. poisons, laid for pest control.
16. Track maintenance is the 2nd Sunday of each month, from 9am to 10am. (60 minutes) a group email will be sent out advising of the maintenance schedule, all are encouraged to attend these maintenance sessions to keep the course in good condition.
17. Introductory courses are by arrangement with the Introduction Course Officer.

18. All decision based on the interpretation of Canterbury Society Incorporation rules, (including health and safety, Operational and competition rules), will made by duly elected Canterbury Archers Society Incorporated (on which, there will be a minimum of 3 committee member, committee, or sub-committee for a decision.
19. All competitor are to apply in writing on the appropriate forms, for that competition. Competitors will be accepted for any competition at the pleasure of the Canterbury Archers Society Incorporation committee.

## **B. Course Safety & Site Evacuation Plan**

### **Site address: 79 Bamfords Road, Teddington, Christchurch**

In the event of an extreme event follow the procedures below, the site map shows locations of the site and designated routes.

The central emergency evacuation track marked in **Orange** on the map is accessible on foot or by an all-terrain 4x4 vehicle, under normal conditions the track is always accessible and unobstructed.

**To evacuate the ground via the central track if safe to do so, follow the track in a downhill direction this will lead to the container/ car park assembly point.**

#### **Earthquake**

In the event of an earthquake, move to open ground away from trees and rocks that may fall from a slope, drop down on your hands and knees, and cover your head and neck with your arms, stay where you are until shaking stops. **Only** move to the Container assembly point area when the shaking has subsided and safe to do so, accessing the Container assemble point from most parts of the ground will pass through the woodland, be aware of the potential of falling debris or trees, avoid being close to larger trees, aftershocks will most likely be experienced.

#### **Fire**

In the case of a bushfire on the course or from a surrounding property, immediately alert the fire service on 111 and give the address and location of the shooting ground which is, **79 Bamfords Road, Teddington, Christchurch**, alert others on the course in close proximity and spread the word amongst the groups, move to an open area away from trees and shrubs, this will give a better indication to view where the fire is spreading. If it is safe to do so evacuate the grounds via the central track on the course heading downhill to the container/car park assembly point, if this is not possible evacuate across the neighbouring properties away from the fire.

#### **Tsunami**

In the event of a Tsunami warning, alert others on the course in proximity, spread the word, move to higher ground, this can be achieved by following the central track uphill that will lead to high ground on the Port Hills. **Under no circumstances head to the car park area.**

#### **Extreme adverse weather**

In the case of excessive high winds or extreme wet weather, vacate the course to the car park, head downhill off the course via the central track and vacate to premises.

## C. Course emergency track and assembly point



- The **Orange** line marked on the map shows the central emergency track that runs through the middle of the woodland.
- When on the shooting course the central emergency track is never far from your location.
- Following the track in a downhill direction will lead to the emergency assembly point at the container/ car park.
- The central emergency track is accessible on foot or by an all-terrain 4x4 vehicle, the track is always accessible and unobstructed.

1. There is a first aid kit in the container.
2. Any safety issues are to be reported to the Course Captain, Safety officer or a committee member, so it can be rectified. Any accident or near miss must be recorded in the accident register. (in the container)
3. Only shoot from the shooting line to the practice butt's or from the following-coloured marker pegs orange, red, White or Blue to the designated target while on the course. No target practice from any other place than the afore mentioned places.
4. Travel around the course in a clockwise direction, except the compound loop, which is anticlockwise, (targets 30 to 33).
5. Always stay on the marked tracks while shooting is in progress.
6. Only nock arrows when ready to shoot or it's your turn to shoot at the appropriate target and do not walk between targets with an arrow nocked.
7. Do not draw the string back on a bow unless an arrow is properly nocked and especially, don't release the bowstring with no arrow, doing is called dry firing and can damage the bow, hurt yourself or others.
8. Only point the arrows towards the target. Never at anyone loaded or unloaded.
9. Never shoot arrows straight up it could hit another person or yourself.
10. Check your target background to ensure it is clear and watch where your arrows go.
11. The only safe place at the shooting line or peg is behind the shooter and not beside them, never move forward of a shooter until they stop shooting and is safe to do so.
12. If someone, shouts **"STOP"**, while shooting, all must stop shooting immediately, until given the all clear.

13. If you are looking for a lost arrow behind a target, always ensure one member of your group stands in front of the target visible to another group approaching the shooting pegs and let them know arrows are being searched for, only as a last resort put bows in front of the target to indicate arrows are being searched for.
14. Anyone shooting on Wednesdays days do so at their own risk and must abide by all the club rules.
15. The Canterbury archery Society Inc. course may be closed at the discretion of Canterbury Archers Society Inc. committee. e.g. prior to a competition, poor weather, natural disaster etc.
16. No Broad heads are to be used on the course.
17. No crossbows to be used on the course.
18. All archers are to clearly write their name and form of payment either cash or concession card onto registration sheet in the container on club days or in the book inside the white box on the outside the container for Wednesday afternoons this is for health and safety compliance.
19. Any person not abiding by all the Canterbury Archers Society rules may be referred to the Committee for a possible, disciplinary action.

#### **D. Canterbury Archers Society Inc Shooting Classes and Styles**

**Canterbury Archers Philosophy is to not discriminate and cater for all age groups.**

- **Adults**, this is for shooters 16 years and over and is split into men's and ladies' classes across the shooting style types.
- **Juniors**, this for the age group 8 to 15 year of age, junior boys and girls are generally put into their same shooting style type due to smaller numbers of shooters.
- **Cubs** are up to the age of 7 years; cub boys and girls are generally put into their same shooting style type due to smaller numbers of shooters.

#### **Shooting styles**

- **Longbow Traditional (LBT)** a traditional longbow made of wood, either of a single stave or a laminated Hill style bow, wooden arrows are only permitted for this shooting class.
- **Longbow open (LBO)** any longbow type and any arrow type.
- **Recurve (REC)** a bow with recurve limbs and any arrow type, a front sight is permitted.
- **Compound sighted (CPS)** is a compound bow that can consist of a scope sight and a peep sight, stabilizers with no restriction on stabilizer lengths, the use of a release aid, any type of arrow provided it is fit for purpose, bino's are permitted, **the use of a range finder is not permitted.**
- **Compound Open (CPO)** is a compound bow that can consist of a scope sight and a peep sight, stabilizers with no restriction on stabilizer lengths, the use of a release aid, any type of arrow provided it is fit for purpose, bino's and range finders are permitted.
- **Compound Unsighted (CPU)** is a compound bow where the use of a **scope or peep sight are not permitted**, the use of stabilizers is permitted, any type of arrow provided it is fit for purpose, bino's are permitted but **range finders and release aids are not permitted.**

## E. Canterbury Archers Society Inc Shooting Rounds

Canterbury Archers competition shooting rounds consist of 25 x 3D targets set out at varying unknown distances and three specialty targets to be shot on each round, **Specialty targets are not a requirement for compound bow shooters due to health and safety.**

There are four shooting pegs at each target, Orange (compound bows) Red, White & Blue. (Traditional bows) Shooters will shoot from the peg colour dependent on the shooting round being shot, the style of bow and age group.

### **1. Three arrow Round**

The three-arrow round is a round where a maximum of three arrows can be shot. If the target is hit with the first arrow no further arrows are required to be shot, if the first arrow misses then a second arrow will be shot, if the second arrow misses then the third and final arrow will be shot.

- The Orange peg is for compound shooters only (all arrows will be shot from the orange peg).
- The red, white and blue pegs are for adult traditional shooters, the first arrow is to be shot from the red peg, if a second arrow is required it will be shot from the white peg, if a third arrow is required it will be shot from the blue peg.
- Juniors will shoot from the white peg for the first arrow, if a second or third arrow is required, they shall shoot these from the blue peg.
- Cubs will shoot only from the blue peg.
- The three arrow round scoring of arrows is below.

3 Arrow Round	Heart	Lung	Body
1st Arrow	20	18	16
2nd Arrow	14	12	10
3rd Arrow	8	6	4

### **2. Two arrow Round**

The two-arrow round is a round where a maximum of two arrows can be shot, if the target is hit with first arrow no further arrows are required to be shot, if the first arrow misses then a second arrow will be shot.

- The white peg is used for all shooting styles and for both adults and juniors, the first or second arrow if required will be shot from the white peg only.
- Cubs will shoot from the blue peg.
- The two-arrow round scoring of arrows is below.

2 Arrow Round	Heart	Lung	Body
1st Arrow	20	15	10
2nd Arrow	15	10	5

### **3. One Arrow Round**

The one arrow round consists of only one arrow being shot.

- The red peg is for all adults of all shooting styles.
- The white peg for juniors of all shooting styles.
- The blue peg for cubs of all shooting styles.
- The one arrow round scoring of arrows is below.

1 Arrow Round	Lung	Body
1st Arrow	20	16

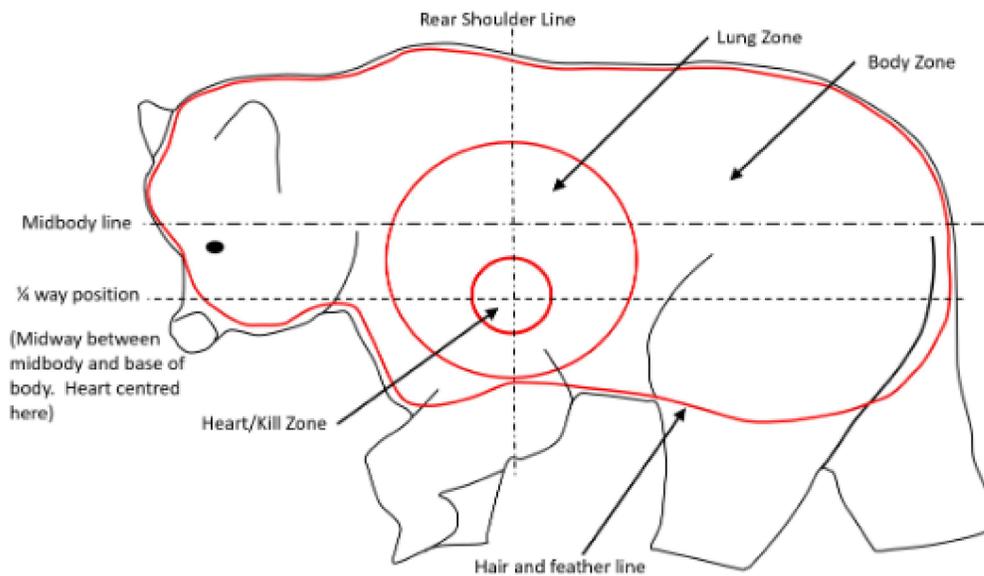
#### 4. Specialties

- These shooting stations are based on speed shooting and moving targets, instructions on the method of shooting these targets will be found at the shooting station.  
For all competitions run by Canterbury Archers Society Incorporated, specialty target **will not be shot by compound bows**, due to health and safety.

Specialties	Lung	Body
Arrow scores	10	5

#### 5. Target Scoring

##### Heart/Lung Placement (Broadside Target)



**Diagram: Heart/Lung Placement for broadside target**

Trophies are for Canterbury Archers Society Incorporated members only, although certificates may be given by way of acknowledgment to non-members.

## F. Canterbury Archers Green Fee, Gear Hire & Membership Fee structures

- Membership rates can also be found on <https://www.canterburyarchers.co.nz/>

### Green fees & Gear hire rates

#### Green Fees

Cub	Free
Financial Member	\$5.00
Associate	\$5.00
Casual Junior/ Senior	\$20.00
Casual Family	\$50.00

Gear Hire	Rate	Bond
Financial Member	\$5.00	+ \$20
Associate	\$5.00	+ \$20
Casual Junior/ Senior	\$20.00	+ \$20
Casual Family	\$50.00	+ \$20

**Note: Bond to be returned if all equipment is returned and undamaged.**

### Fee Structure 2025

Early bird discount for existing members only if a full years membership is paid before 1<sup>st</sup> May 2025

April 2024	\$220.00	\$170.00	\$90.00	Free
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If joining at beginning of:	Family Membership (family residing at same address one or more children up to 16 years of age)	Senior Membership Over 16 Years	Junior Membership 10 to 16 Years	Cub Membership Up to age of 10 years
April	\$250	\$200	\$120	Free
May	\$234	\$188	\$115	Free
June	\$218	\$176	\$109	Free
July	\$202	\$164	\$104	Free
August	\$186	\$152	\$98	Free
September	\$170	\$140	\$93	Free
October	\$154	\$128	\$87	Free
November	\$138	\$116	\$82	Free
December	\$122	\$104	\$76	Free
January	\$106	\$92	\$71	Free
February	\$91	\$79	\$66	Free
March	\$75	\$67	\$60	Free