

HDH-IAA 3D Judges
General Rules of Procedure

1. DEFINITIONS

These regulations apply to the 3D Judges' Panel of the HDH-IAA and the operation of the judges. The application of these rules is mandatory for all 3D domestic archery competitions held under the supervision of HDH-IAA.

1.2 Application and enforcement of sporting rules at competitions

The judges appointed for the competition are also responsible for

- compliance with the rules,
- sportsmanship,
- the safe and secure conduct of the competition.

To ensure compliance with the rules, the relevant rules and regulations of the HDH-IAA must be considered but also in particular the following:

- 3D rules
- Competition rules
- General rules of procedure of the 3D Judges
- BOD's decisions, decisions of committees

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- To maintain and update the 3D Judges General Rules of Procedure and to submit proposals for changes to the BOD for approval,
- to keep a register of judges,
- general professional training and examination of judges,
- participation in the preparation of the regulations,

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- approving and, if necessary, withdrawing judges' operating licences via the Secretary General
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1.4 Definitions of judges

1.4.1 Basic conditions for judges

- has reached the age of 18 years,
- there is no medical impediment to their activities as a judge,
- has passed the judges' examination,
- has a valid licence to operate as a judge.

Anyone who fulfils the above conditions will be registered and issued with an licence by the Secretary General after approval by the Judges' Committee. A valid licence is required to be a judge.

The possession of a licence does not imply that the HDH-IAA is obliged to entrust its holder with the duties of a judge. A valid licence may only be issued to a judge who has acted as a judge at at least one international or national competition in the previous year and who has attended the specified training courses. The condition of having completed the previous year as a judge may be waived by the Head the Judges Committee in justified cases.

Judges who have accepted an assignment for a particular competition, either verbally or in writing, must attend that competition in accordance with these rules. If for any reason they are unable to do so, they must notify the Head of the Judges Committee not later than 48 hours before the competition. Failure to do so and to appear at the competition will result in disciplinary action being taken against the judge, which will be initiated by the Head of the Judges Committee.

2. COMPETITION ORGANISATION REQUIREMENTS FROM A JUDGE'S POINT OF VIEW

2.1 Application for a judge

At the request of the organiser of the competition, the judge shall be delegated by the Head of the Judges Committee.

2.2 Judges' allowances

The organiser of the competition shall reimburse the expenses of the judges. The amount of the reimbursement shall be fixed by decision of the HDH-IAA (daily allowance, accommodation, travel expenses, etc.)

The accommodation of the judges must be of such a standard as to ensure that the judges have a restful stay.

The daily allowance for judges shall be uniform and shall be paid to all persons acting as judges for the competition in question after the days started.

In order to reduce the cost to the organisers, efforts should be made to appoint the nearest available judge to the competition venue.

2.3 Missed competition

In the event that a competition is cancelled, but the judges have arrived at the competition venue at the time and in the manner specified, the organiser is obliged to pay the full daily judges' allowance and to reimburse travel expenses in accordance with the rules.

If the event is interrupted due to a decision of the Head Judge, an error by the organiser or other circumstances (e.g. weather), the full daily judge allowance and travel expenses shall also be paid to the judge.

2.4 Material conditions

The judge must endeavour to have the necessary material conditions (see Appendix 1) for the performance of his/her duties. If the judge does not have all the equipment of his own property, he may be provided with it by the HDH-IAA or the organiser of the competition, subject to prior agreement. The judge is responsible for the equipment borrowed and a record must be kept of any damage to it.

2.5 Time spent on the activity

The judge must arrive at the venue sufficiently in advance of the start of the competition to allow sufficient time to inspect the course(s) set up and correct any defects that may arise. If, due to the nature of the competition, the inspection must start before the day of the competition, he shall be entitled to a full day's pay for these days.

Each event shall be scheduled so that the judges' employment does not exceed 12 consecutive hours.

3. THE OPERATION OF JUDGES

3.1 General rules

The 3D Judge of the HDH-IAA represents the HDH-IAA and is the custodian of the orderly and fair conduct of archery competitions.

Therefore, he/she shall conduct himself/herself throughout the event in such a way that his/her actions and conduct reflect a calm, consistent and correct conduct in all cases. The fundamental task of the judge is to serve the sport professionally and therefore all his/her actions and conduct shall be characterised by this.

It is the duty of the judge to study the relevant rules before the competition in order to be able to identify possible irregularities and to take appropriate decisions. To this end, the judge must arrive at each event (re)familiarised with the rules and type of competition concerned (rules, competition series, competition regulations, etc.).

During the period of the judge's activity, they shall not consume or be under the influence of any alcoholic beverages or drugs.

A judge suffering from a disease which limits their activity as a judge or under the influence of such a drug shall inform the Head of the Judges Committee of this fact, who may then relieve the judge of their duties.

The Head of the Judges Committee shall relieve the judge of their duties and arrange for their replacement if they are unable to perform their duties.

In the above cases, the judge shall not be reimbursed.

In all cases, the clothes of the judge shall be appropriate to the rank of the event. They shall choose their clothing in such a way that it is suitable for the event, from a sporting, weather and environmental point of view. In all cases, they should present an impartial image (no advertising, team or competitor related clothing), except in cases where the HDH-IAA sponsors/sponsorships provide access to equipment and clothing.

During the judge's period of operation, the judge shall be responsible only to the head judge and shall receive instructions from him/her. His/her decisions under his/her authority may only be reviewed by the protest committee after a formal protest.

The judge may not give the competitor permission to commit an infringement and any permission so given shall be invalid.

3.2 Duties of 3D Judges

3.2.1 Checking the course

Prior to the start of the competition, the judge shall check the course layout, track, targets and target placement to ensure that it complies with all competition rules and safety requirements (check criteria: Appendix 2).

3.2.2 Technical control

The judge will check all the equipment of the competitors. The equipment must be correct and safe. Competitors may not start the race with irregular, damaged or accident-prone equipment. A technical control shall be carried out before the start of the competition during the period specified in the competition notice, but the judge may check the equipment at any time during the entire duration of the competition (equipment required: Appendix 1).

3.2.3 Activities during the race

The judge shall be present on the course at all times during the competition. They shall constantly check the condition of the course and the targets, and the competitors' compliance with the rules. In the cases specified in the rules, he makes decisions, assists the competitors and, if necessary, decides on penalties for non-compliant competitors. If the course needs repair (a target is worn out, its fixing is loose, etc.), they immediately inform the organiser or the technical staff on the course.

They stay at the venue until the announcement of the results and helps the organisers and the competition office with their knowledge of the rules.

Appendix 1

Tools for technical control and judges' activities

- measuring tape,
- pound meter,
- speedometer,
- scales,
- range finder,
- whistle
- chronometer,
- "barebow ring",
- competition rules.

Appendix 2

Criteria for checking the course

- Course passability,
- distance to targets,
- safe shooting line,
- safe trail,
- a properly, visibly marked trail,
- area behind targets,
- Lateral safety zone,
- status of targets,
- fixing of targets,
- proper placement of targets,
- numbering of targets,
- regularity of double stakes,
- forest paths, hiking trails