

CLUBS

These guidelines will cover the majority of archery clubs; however, we recognise that not all clubs will be able to open for various reasons and clubs should only open if they can confidently meet the guidelines.

As lockdown restrictions begin to ease, sport and physical activity providers - such as clubs, groups and venues - plan for reopening. Whilst some people may be excited about returning to work, sessions and facilities, early evidence shows that many will be returning to play with poorer mental health due to coronavirus.

Mind have developed two handy guides: one to help individuals prepare for participation, and one to equip the sport and physical activity sector with tools and information to support the mental health of staff, volunteers and participants. Click here for more information:

<https://www.mind.org.uk/about-us/our-policy-work/sport-physical-activity-and-mental-health/>

All Archery GB members must:

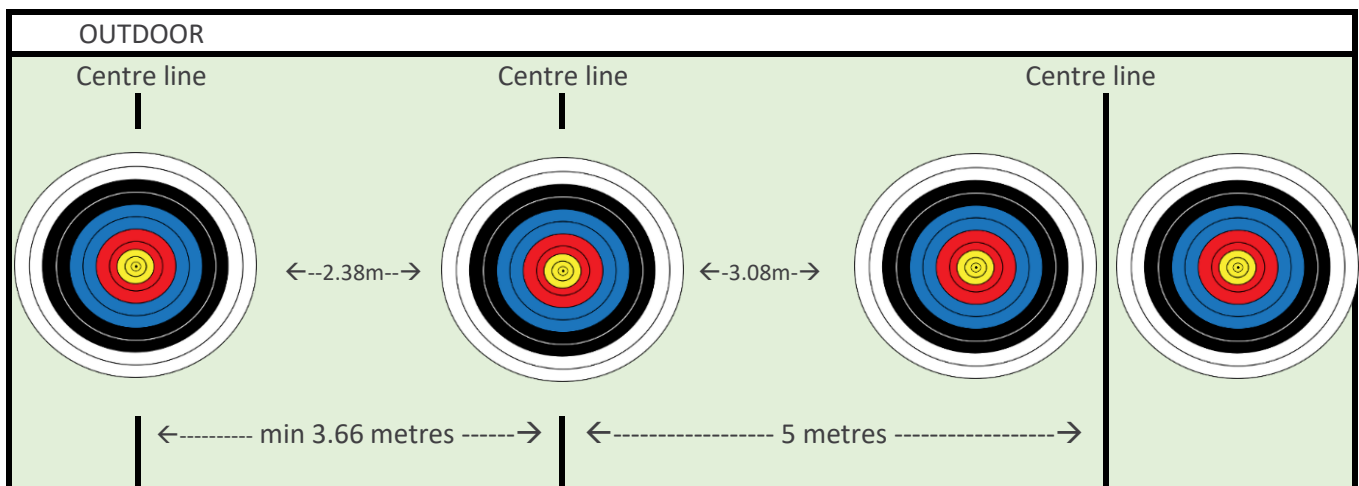
- Before and after each session, sanitise their hands, clean their equipment and anything else used at the session regularly.
 - Practice social distancing at all times and maintain a distance of at least 2 metres apart.
 - Ensure any shared equipment is cleaned/sanitised after contact.
- The *Guidance Notes for Archers* should be provided to all club members. Each club is responsible for ensuring that archers do not congregate before or subsequently to shooting (including when arriving at or leaving activity or within any breaks).
- Whatever system used, the minimum requirement is that clubs should keep a log of all members - archers, volunteers, or parents/carers – attending sessions and retain for a minimum of 21 days.
- Booking systems will also support lane management, avoid disappointment, and stagger timings to minimise encounters between people, including in car parks and at entrances. Turning up at the range without a slot should be discouraged. Please see the *Implementing a Booking System* information sheet.
- It has been encouraging to see clubs with sufficient facilities partnering with other clubs in their locality to enable them to shoot where their facilities are closed. There will be many clubs that will not be able to re-open straight away. This will be for a variety of reasons, including being located on an education site that may not reopen to external groups. We recommend that clubs work together where possible to help the archery community get back to archery.

- It is preferred that targets be left out and not moved where possible. Clubs that are unable to leave targets out must carefully manage the movement of targets in between sessions and minimise the number of times they are handled.
- Where 2m social distancing cannot be maintained during this process, you should put in place the 1m plus mitigations (such as face coverings or avoiding face-to-face contact). Where possible, clubs should use members of the same household/social bubble for setting up at least one piece of kit per session. This will allow multiple households to set up the range.
- Management and control of access to the storage unit must be in place. All persons who touch any equipment that does not belong to them personally **MUST** wash or sanitise their hands prior to and as soon as they can following their support.
- Only essential volunteers should be at the range, and their roles during practice sessions should be logged in the risk assessment.
- Where attendance of a parent/guardian (non-participant) or a carer for a disabled archer is required, it should be limited to one per archer, with social distancing strictly observed while watching the sessions (consider marking out specific boxes/areas for this purpose). Consideration should be given to single parents or carers, in order to enable participation by all.
- **[NEW]** Spectators are only allowed on public land, where they must adhere to social gathering limits either in groups of six or two households.

OUTDOOR TARGET ARCHERY SESSIONS

- A target boss may be used by up to a **maximum** of 2 archers from different households or one group of archers of any size if from the same household.
- Individual targets should be positioned a minimum of 3.66 metres from each target lane centre (depending on available space). This minimum spacing temporarily has been incorporated into **Rule 301**.
- If two targets are placed in a lane for use by a household, then 5 metres should remain between the centres of the adjoining targets.
- Toilets can be open, along with indoor spaces, and facilities – please see below and Part 3 – Facilities for more information.
- An example range diagram is provided below.

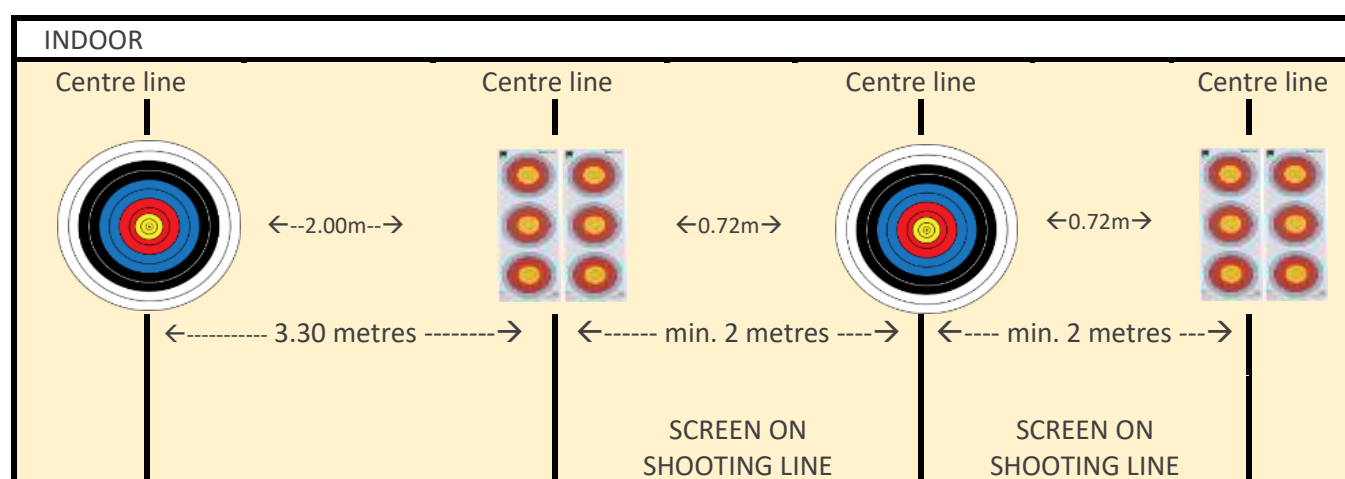
Example range layout



[NEW] INDOOR TARGET ARCHERY SESSIONS

- Anyone acting in a workforce capacity (for example volunteers, officials, coaches and instructors) are exempt from the rules on gathering, however, they **must remain socially distanced from players where possible during activity**.
- A **minimum** of 2 metre target boss centres should be used, however the preferred indoor target boss centres is 3.3m, however it is the responsibility of each club to make their own assessment based on their local environment, member preferences and risk assessment. This minimum spacing temporarily has been incorporated into **Rule 402**.
- On the shooting line use physical barriers such as protective screens between archers where boss centres are less than 3.3m.
- Target boss centre spacing of less than 2 metres is **not** permitted.
- Ensure hygiene rules are enforced and limit contact with other people by building in additional measure – e.g. targets 1, 3 and 5 collect arrows, then targets 2 and 4; separate archer's LH & RH so not to shoot face to face.
- All members must wear face coverings when shooting indoors and in all indoor environments, except when actively shooting. Anyone with a medical condition or under 12 years of age is exempt.
- An example range diagram is provided below.

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Disabled Archers

- The exemption has been put in place by the Government as recognition that disabled people face more barriers to taking part in sport and physical activity, so

it's vital as much as possible is done to keep these opportunities accessible – not allowing organised indoor sport for them in this way would have a disproportionate impact on disabled people.

- There is no limit on the group numbers for this activity – this should be set by the venue/coach in depending on what is safe and appropriate for their environment and the activity, in line with the risk assessment for that activity.
- Further detail on disability provision is provided in Part 6.

Young People Sessions

- Children will be able to attend organised indoor children's activity, including sport permitted in Step 2 from 12 April (England).
- Organised indoor children's sport and physical activity must be formally organised by a qualified instructor, club, national governing body, company or charity and follow sport-specific guidance where appropriate.
- Children's indoor sport and physical activity sessions must be done in groups of 15, in line with guidance from the Department for Education and out of school setting guidance.

CLOUT ARCHERY SESSIONS

- Clout sessions can restart and accommodate multiple groups of archers.
- The size of the field will dictate the numbers allowed at a maximum of 10 archers per clout flag, shooting in 2 details.
- Archers should remain socially distanced at 2 metres at all times.

OTHER DISCIPLINES

- Other disciplines – such as flight - can also restart and can accommodate multiple archers.
- The size of the range will dictate the numbers allowed, and archers should maintain social distancing at all times.