

ARCHERY

GENERAL INFORMATION:

Early uses of the bow and arrow was used to obtain food and as a weapon of war.

Basic equipment: bow, arrow, and target

Extra equipment: arm guard, finger tabs, shooting glove, and quiver.

Bows are usually made from wood, metal, or fiberglass. They usually are between 5 and 6 feet in length.

BOWS:

HANDLE: Middle section; thickest part of the bow

UPPER AND LOWER LIMBS: Located between handle and the tips of the bow

BOWSTRING: attached to nock at either end of the bow

SERVING: reinforced part of the bow

BELLY: side nearest the bowstring

BACK: opposite the belly of the bow

ARROW PLATE: set in handle; holds arrow while aiming

WEIGHT: number of pounds needed to draw bow string.

ARROWS:

NOCK: where bowstring is inserted into arrow

FEATHERING: two of same color (hen feather) odd color is the cock feather

CREST: colored circle in arrow

Average length of arrow: 24 inches to 28 inches; weight is about 1 ounce

TARGET:

Five colored circle:

GOLD = 9 points

RED = 7 points

BLUE = 5 points

BLACK = 3 points

WHITE = 1 point

PETTICOAT: White area outside the white circle area is
0 points

SCORING:

Six arrows shot is a **END**

A specified number of ends that are shot are a **ROUND**

If an arrow lands between to colors, the highest point of the two is counted.

If an arrow bounces off a color is will count as that color it bounce from.

If an arrow goes through the target it will count the color that it went through.

OTHER TERMS:

ADRESSING THE TARGET: The position the archer takes when ready to shoot

BRACING THE BOW: stringing the bow

BREAKING THE BOW: unstringing the bow

PERFECT END: six arrows shot in a row and all in the gold circle

QUIVER: holds or carries arrows

SHOOTING LINE: the line that the archer straddles while shooting

TACKLE: all archery equipment

HEAD OR PILE: point of the arrow

SHAFT: main part of the arrow