

Club Rules

Appendix 1 RULES FOR SHOOTING IN THE WOOD

1. On hearing; 3 blasts on a whistle you must cease shooting and put your bow down.
2. To shoot in the woods at least one of the party must be a full member of the NFAS and over the age of eighteen, provisional members must be accompanied by a 'Experienced Archer'. Tags for all members on the course must be displayed on the tag board at the entrance to the course. Any visitors must sign in to the visitors book and use a visitors tag whilst shooting, and sign out when leaving the course.
3. There is to be no smoking in any part of the wood.
4. All arrows shall be marked with the archer's name.
5. All archers in an OPEN shoot must be full members of the NFAS and have their membership card with them, and have their arrows marked in accordance with NFAS rules. Non Shooting members (shoot partners, Marshals etc) on the course should have a minimum of an Associate membership.
6. Do not walk around with arrows in your hand.
7. Do not loose an arrow if you cannot see where the arrow will land.
8. Do not loose an arrow if your footing is not secure.
9. Never point your bow at anybody or an animal.

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10. Keep back whilst other members of your group are shooting.

11. Never run in the woods.

12. Any concerns relating to course safety must be made directly to the committee by email in order that we can ensure that they are dealt with promptly and an appropriate response will be made to the person raising the concerns and if necessary to the club as a whole by means of email as the primary method of communication. Use committee@ashcombevalleyarchers.club as the preferred email as this will reach all members of the committee.

13. We have a child protection policy in place and this applies to all members of the club, any complaints will be handled as detailed in the policy.

14. When searching for arrows always leave an adult member of the group or your bow in front of the target or if required (by notice) at the peg.

15. Always wait until the people drawing arrows from the boss are well clear of the targets before shooting.

16. ANYONE suspected of being under the influence of Alcohol and/or Drugs will be removed from the woods.

17. Anyone found or seen to be acting improperly will be cautioned by a committee member and may be asked to leave the woods.

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Appendix 2 GENERAL RULES

1. An 'Experienced Archer' is one who either shoots more than twice a week with over 6 months shooting as a full NFAS member and attended at least one competition, or one who has been shooting at least once a week for a period of 14 months. The committee will publish a list of all archers that are regarded as 'Experienced Archers' i.e. those who can take Provisional Archers around the course.
2. A provisional member of the NFAS must have passed a beginners course at a NFAS affiliated club run by a NFAS coach or passed a beginners course at another recognised Archery club (e.g. AGB) before they can be admitted as a club member. Proof of attendance to such a course may be required.
3. Archers who are already members of another recognised archery group, e.g. Archery GB can shoot as provisionals with a NFAS provisional licence.
4. Only club members or full members of the NFAS can use practice grounds except during a beginners course run by a NFAS coach.
5. It is inappropriate for any club member to stand for position as a club officer where they could benefit financially from committee decisions and club funds.