



**Induction to Wymondham Archers at WRFC**

**Dear Fellow Archer and Club Member,**

Welcome to Wymondham Archers at Barnard Fields, Wymondham Rugby Football Club and our partners in Sport and recreation. We are thrilled to be able to offer these fantastic facilities that are second to none in Norfolk. You will have already paid your membership fee for your entire year’s shooting and with the completion of this induction pack you will be able to shoot for over 360+ days per year at our Range on Barnard Fields. We have endeavoured to make our club great value for money and encourage you to shoot on our Archery Range at Barnard Fields as frequently as you choose. The occasional closed day will be shown on our website.

One of the exciting elements of shooting here are Wymondham Archers is the facilitation of solo shooting with the combination of regular Club Sessions on Monday and Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. We hope you will continue to enjoy our Family friendly Club atmosphere on those Club Sessions (indoors in the Winter) where we will encourage your archery development with our club coaches, 252 scheme, indoor and outdoor tournaments, fun days and technical support.

Having the facility to solo shoot at any archery range is a rare privilege. We want you to enjoy your archery, improve your abilities and have a great social time at this Club. Solo shooting comes with enhanced responsibilities. Accidents do happen from time to time but we can avoid many of these by following the guidance found in this pack. You must endeavour to not cause an accident and strive to act safely at all times. A serious accident at Wymondham Archers would be catastrophic for those involved directly and will not only affect you, but also your fellow archers and the Club. A serious incident may cause legal ramifications for the Club and the individuals involved; and could cause the permanent closure of our facilities or access to this Archery Range. By signing; as an archer or a parent or guardian of an archer, you personally accept these responsibilities and agree to abide by the directions found within this induction pack.

You will be guided through this induction by one of the Club’s committee or other member who will be happy to answer any questions you may have. We also feel you would benefit from reviewing Wymondham Archers Constitution. This can be made available for you on request, or via our website.

Happy Shooting,  
Committee: Wymondham Archers

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• **Access and Exit from the Site.**

- You understand that there is no need to inform any person when you are on site.
- You understand that the warning signs **MUST** be in place before shooting.
- You understand that the curtilage line must be in place prior to shooting.
- You understand that you have permission to shoot solo at the range once the caveats of this induction are accepted and adopted by you.
- You understand that shooting may only be undertaken in good, unaided, visibility conditions when the end of the range, including overshoot, can easily be seen and it is during daylight hours.
- You understand that if you are the last person on the range; on exit, you **MUST** remove the warning signs and all faces from bosses and return them to storage. You will also take away everything that you brought to the site; bow, ancillary equipment, rubbish etc.
- YOU UNDERSTAND THAT WHEN SHOOTING ALONE YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR OWN HEALTH & SAFETY AND WELFARE AND SHOOT AT YOUR OWN RISK.**
- You understand that if you are shooting in pairs or more people, a Range Captain **MUST** be appointed to run the range and you will be jointly responsible for your own safety and that of other archers.
- When lone shooting you are aware that AGB Rule 103; a,b,c applies at all times. **You may lose your right to shoot at Wymondham Archers at Barnard Fields if you do not adhere to this guidance.**
- You understand that unless there is at least 30 metres between each archer independent collection of arrows is not permitted. Use of the Independent Collection Lanes is advised if they are present.**

• **Additional Welfare Issues.**

- You are aware of the location and facilities provided by Wymondham Rugby Football Club (WRFC) – Reception, Café, Restaurant, Toilets, Showers, Medical Room; etc.
- AGB Rules for Smoking / Vaping etc. will apply i.e. 10 metres behind the tent line which is in effect the car park side of the equipment store. At the Clubhouse please use designated smoking areas only.

• **You understand and agree to abide by other General Responsibilities for Health and Safety (Health & Safety etc. Act 1974)**

- You understand that you have a Duty of Care – of self and others
- You will Report Accidents – You must report accidents if they happen in the accident book found within WRFC.
- Emergencies – You are aware of how to call for assistance should something happen that requires the emergency services.
- You are aware of the effects of the elements below and will take sufficient care in...
  - i) Sun, Wind, Rain, Thunder / Lightening (No shooting). If lightening, you are instructed to leave the range.

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- **Club Night Shooting and Guests**
  - We will be happy to see you on Club night shooting sessions on Monday and Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings.
  - We welcome visiting archers from other clubs on Club Night shooting.
  - We encourage you to bring guests when you shoot at the club. You are always responsible for your guests. If you wish to bring more than 2 guests please inform the Club Secretary or Chairman.
- **Etiquette: You understand that 'A Good Archer':**
  - Does not talk in a loud voice whilst others are shooting.
  - Does not talk to another competitor who obviously prefers to be silent.
  - Does not make any exclamation on the shooting line that might disconcert a neighbour in the act of shooting.
  - Does not go behind the target to retrieve his arrows before his score has been recorded (if scoring).
  - Does not walk up and down the shooting line comparing scores.
  - Does not touch anyone else's equipment without permission.
  - Does not leave litter.
  - When calling scores does so in groups of three, for example '7 - 7 - 5' pause '5 - 5 - 3'.
  - If he breaks another's arrow through his own carelessness, pays for it in cash on the spot.
  - Thank the Target Captain at the end of each round.
- **Moving Bosses and Collecting Awkwardly Shot Arrows**
  - You should move bosses with two people where possible.
  - You should only move bosses if you are able to do so safely and, in any case, only after warning other archers that you are doing so.
  - You must release and replace any brakes prior to and following, moving a boss.
  - If shoot-bolt brakes are in use on any bosses these must be undone prior to leaving the range.
  - You have been shown how to collect arrows from above shoulder height on a boss.
  - Access to the attenuation pond is forbidden at all times, unless there is a need to save life.** Arrows lost in the pond should be reported to the committee who will arrange for collection of arrows once sufficient requests have been received.

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• **Supporting Information - Lone Shooting**

**AGB Rule 103. Numbers Present**

- A) When any shooting is in progress there must be a minimum of two people present each being a minimum of 18 years of age, one of whom may be a non-archer to act as a lookout. The archer is responsible to inform the lookout of all safety aspects applicable. Where two adult archers are present and shooting together they will alternate on the shooting line so that the non-shooting archer can act as the lookout.
- B) Juniors. When junior archers (ie archers under 18) are shooting individually or in groups they must be supervised by an adult member (excluding honorary members) of Archery GB and a second adult must be present.
- C) **On private land which is fenced all round, where the public has no legal right of access and with a warning notice displayed at all entrances and points of access, the following concessions may apply notwithstanding the provisions of 103(a) and (b) above:**
  - i) **Solo shooting by senior archers (ie archers 18 and over) is permitted. Any member shooting on their own is doing so at their own risk in respect of personal injuries.**
  - ii) **Provided that they are an adult member (excluding honorary members) of Archery GB, one parent/guardian alone may supervise his/her own child(ren).**

In addition to the above.

- Lone shooting is not permitted unless the archer has their own equipment. Archers hiring equipment will be welcomed on Club Sessions.
- Lone shooting will be permitted once the archer has demonstrated a level of competence that is deemed satisfactory by one of the Club's assessors.
- Our endeavour is to enable all archers to be able to lone shoot if they wish. But if, after verification, it has been determined that an archer ceases to shoot safely, or their conduct is dangerous, they will be requested to not shoot on their own. Archers affected in this way should note that this may cause their membership of Wymondham Archers to be rescinded.

• **Unwanted Guests**

- In the unlikely event of a **non-member turning up to shoot at Wymondham Archers** and you feel comfortable to ask, please let them know that the range is for 'Members Only'. Should they continue to want to shoot, please pack away your equipment, close and lock the store if it is open and report that there is a trespasser on the premises to reception within the WRFC Club House. Please also inform the Chairman of Wymondham Archers, who's telephone number will be available within the Club House of Wymondham Rugby Football Club.
- Please try to recall some identifying details about the person or people who attended.
  - i) Car type and registration number.
  - ii) Male / Female / Approximate Age, any other identifying features they might have had.

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