



REQUIREMENTS FOR A RETURN TO ARCHERY – STAGE 1 EFFECTIVE 27TH MAY 2020 UNTIL 15TH JUNE 2020

- Under the Tasmanian Government's Our Plan to Rebuild a Stronger Tasmania Archery Tasmania proposes to return to Archery activity for groups of up to 10 from 18 May 2020 in line with Stage One of "Our Roadmap to Recovery"
- Please note that no indoor facilities will be used under this plan
- As part of this plan a review will be conducted prior to the commencement of Stage 2 on the 15th June to ensure continuous compliance with the requirements of the Federal Government, the Tasmanian Government, the AIS and the Governing bodies of Archery (Archery Australia and the Archery Society of Tasmania).

Archery Tasmania has adopted the recommendations from the parent body, Archery Australia (appendix A), and has also put significant work into exploring how these guidelines will be implemented in practical terms at the Club level. Please note, Archery Tasmania has made more specific demands of our members than the recommendations of the national sporting body, to ensure safe and correct implementation of the AIS document and requirements of the Tasmanian Government.

Below are the requirements archery clubs must implement for the Stage 1 resumption of Club level Archery Training in line with the AIS Rebooting Sport document:

MAKING sure the physical distancing requirements are also met, such as the amount of people training and physical distance between them;

Due to the fundamental nature of Archery Training - in the context of significant open air spacing between participants - we are well placed to adhere to and even exceed the social distancing requirements for returning to training at the club level. All archery clubs in Tasmania will be limiting access to the training ground(s) to current financial members, maximum of 10 per 1 hour session. There will be no access to the general public in Stage 1 or Stage 2; all community 'Come and Try archery' sessions are postponed until the community reaches Stage 3.

Members will be contacted directly via e-mail and social media to remind them that only 10 members (using their own equipment) can shoot at any one time. This message will be repeated on site at the ranges via clear signage.

Members will also be required to book their training session time via the online Archer's Diary system to allow for managed participation in Training. This will also allow us to track which members have participated at which times.

If a member arrives when there are already ten participants training they will need to wait in their vehicle until a place becomes available or leave the range. Members will be required to shoot one person per target and the distance between members training will meet or exceed the minimum social distancing requirements.

Parents of any member children who have booked a training timeslot will need to remain in their car. There will be no spectators or people from the community allowed on the club grounds.



MAKING sure a cleaning schedule across the facility is implemented and maintained;

Archery clubs across Tasmania will ensure that any club facilities that may come into contact with our members in the course of Archery Training will be disinfected prior to, and after, use. This includes gates (and locks, door handles and any hand railings). Disinfectant cleaning materials will also be on hand during training sessions to allow continuous hygiene standards to be maintained. At the close of training all shared contact surfaces will be disinfected.

GOOD hygiene procedures and practices, such as washing and sanitising hands, equipment and facilities;

Confined spaces - such as some club house facilities and storage areas will be closed. Target faces will be provided in a clean open storage area which will include disinfectant cleaning materials to keep the target faces clean.

Toilet facilities will also be closed at all clubs until further notice.

Hand sanitisation stations will be made available in common areas of the range and members will be required to use hand sanitiser before and after a training session. Members will shoot using only their own equipment - this includes the following precautions - only one member per target, members will be responsible for retrieving their own arrows and setting up and packing up their own equipment directly from their own vehicles.

Social resources such as tea and coffee making facilities will be closed during stage 1 and members will be reminded via signage that the range is open for practice / training only at this stage and not a return to other aspects of club life.

ENSURING people don't come or participate if they have been unwell;

Via e-mail, social media and signage we will make it clear to members that if they feel unwell then don't come to the range.

MAKING sure people involved know how risks are to be managed and processes and procedures are followed; and

Every individual Archery Tasmania member will be notified of the requirements via email, social media and on range signage. Members will be reminded that social distancing is a requirement of participation in training and that the safety processes and procedures detailed above must be observed at all times. We will also be providing supervision in the form of a Director of Shooting (DOS) at each training session to further reinforce the correct processes and procedures.

Evaluation of the processes put in place:

During stage 1 all clubs will be required to monitor adherence to the requirements of returning to training and report back to the Archery Society of Tasmania regarding the continued adherence to the requirements put in place. Prior to the roll out of Stage 2 all clubs will be required to evaluate and report on the implementation of return to training procedures to ensure continued compliance with Federal Government, State Government, AIS, Archery Australia and RGB (Regional Governing Body) requirements. These reports will be monitored by our Quality and Compliance Officer and responded to as appropriate by the Archery Society of Tasmania to ensure ongoing compliance with stage 1 requirements.

WHERE facilities are shared between teams, clubs or sports, managing sessions and the transition between sessions.

In most cases our Archery Ranges are not the subject of shared facilities but in the - case where they are - clear session times are already in place as standard procedures to ensure the safety of the general public and all involved in Archery Training. Range safety is and always has been a key concern for Archery Clubs in Tasmania and significant work is conducted on an ongoing basis to ensure a safe practice environment.

Questions

Any questions regarding this plan should be directed in the first instance to the president@archerytasmania.org.au or call Rob Fiddymont on 0419 358 991.

APPENDIX A

ARCHERY AUSTRALIA (National Peak Body)

COVID-19 Requirements for Stage I return to Archery Training:

Archery Australia will continue to follow the Australian Government guidelines relating to COVID-19, but we also understand that we operate in a federated structure. As such, we acknowledge that there are differing levels of restrictions being set by each of the State Governments. Therefore, we will be working with individual Recognised Governing Bodies (RGBs) based on their respective State restrictions.

If your state permits, you may resume limited practice, so long as all health and government requirements are met at all times. It is also important to note that whether club activity can commence is ultimately up to the individual clubs. Failure to comply with both the latest State and Federal Government Guidelines surrounding COVID-19 may have implications with the club's insurance and leave you liable to penalties.

To assist in this process, Archery Australia has prepared a set of guidelines (see below) for Archery Clubs and Archers to follow during this transition period.

Archery Australia remains committed to complying with advice provided by the Federal Government for all archery activities under its control. While we look to relaunch Archery within the community, in a pandemic, small numbers become big numbers very quickly and we cannot afford for any sporting organisation or club to be the source of a community outbreak/second wave. The safety and well-being of our participants and community is our priority.

Guidelines:

- The responsibility lies with individual Archery Club and members to ensure that they are fully aware of and compliant with their own State Government legislation, Federal Government Legislation and any RGB advice,
- Only outdoor club activity can operate, no indoor archery activities are currently permitted.
- Hand sanitiser should be made available at each club.
- Archers should practice safe hygiene at all times, including washing hands for at least 20 seconds before and after any archery activity.
- State legislation on the maximum persons allowed at the archery club at any one time must be followed at all times. Booking systems may need to be in place for this to happen to restrict social gatherings.
- Archery equipment cannot be shared between archers.
- One Archer Per Lane – unless a family are shooting who live at the same address.
- It is recommended that only every second lane is opened/in use to help maintain social distances of 1.5m.
- No field archery is currently permitted unless in groups of one archer per target.
- No archery tournaments, QRE's or planned events are currently permitted (excluding online shooting competitions).

People at a higher risk (those aged over 70 and/or those with medical conditions or compromised immune systems) are encouraged to remain at home whenever possible.

Source: <https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert/advice-for-people-at-risk-of-coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-covid-19-advice-for-older-people>