



Youth Judges in World Archery Europe

Dear Member Associations,

Article 9.5 of the World Archery Rules states that anyone qualifying as a World Archery Youth Judge (WA YJ) automatically qualifies as a Continental Judge. This, however, causes a unique problem to World Archery Europe. Within the WAE Constitution there is a limit of 9 Continental Judges (including WA Judges) with a minimum of 3 females per Member Association. This would mean that MAs who already have 9 Continental Judges or do not have the right gender split would not be able to have any additional Youth Judges. Neither WA or WAE want to restrict younger Judges coming through, so the Judge Committees have worked together to find a solution.

In World Archery Europe anyone qualifying as a WA Youth Judge will sit outside of the Continental Judge scheme. So they will not be included in the 9 Judge limit and gender split and they will not automatically hold the title of Continental Judge. However the WAE Judge Committee will maintain them on their records and may invite them to apply for Continental Tournaments. They will be classed as a Continental Judge at any events that they are appointed to. There is no need for any WA YJ to attend a Continental Judge Seminar unless they want to qualify as a WAE Continental Judge in their own right, at which point they will be subject to the rules as per the WAE Constitution.

Should a WA Youth Judge wants to progress and apply for an WA International Judge Candidate Seminar they can. But if they pass they will be classed in the limit of 9 Continental Judges (including WA Judges) with a minimum of 3 females per Member Association. Any application for an IJC Seminar must be signed off by the WAE Judge Committee and as such they may withheld authorising the application until a space is available.

If there are any questions on this policy then please do not hesitate to contact the World Archery Europe Judge Committee for clarification.