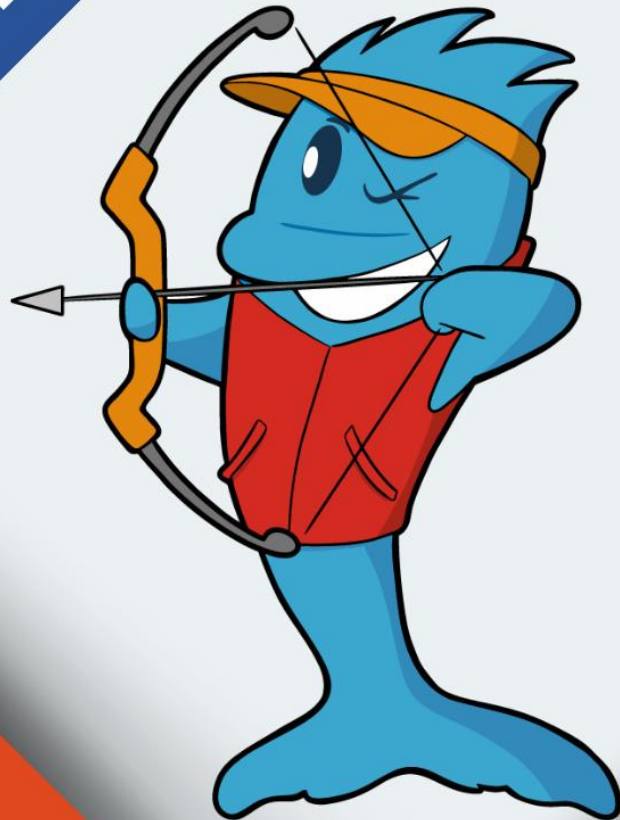




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ARCHERY



**SPORT
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1. COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

1.1. International Federation

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1.2. National Federation

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1.3. Management of the Competition

Technical Delegate of WAF: Mr. Ardingo Scarzella (ITA)

Competition Manager: Mr. Alessio CORBUCCI (ITA)

2. TECHNICAL MILESTONES

DATES	DEADLINE FOR:
1 March	Opening of on-line Accreditation and Sport Entries on-line system
16 March	Official Communication by ICMG and OCMG to the NOCs and upload to the Games GMS platform of all Taranto 2026 Operations Guides and Manuals
26-30 March	CoCom Visit to Taranto – CoCom + OCMG Meeting on the 27 th March 2026
27-30 March	Chefs de Mission Seminar
28 March	Joint Meeting ICMG CoCom - IFs Technical Delegates - OCMG Sport Department



DATES	DEADLINE FOR:
30 March (at 23:59 CET)	Deadline for the Entries by Number and by Event (preliminary entries)
	Settlement of the guarantee deposit for team sports
23 April (at 23:59 CET)	Deadline for the Preliminary Entries by name of athletes and officials (Long List)
	Deadline for provisional Arrivals & Departures Forms
27-28-29-30 May	ICMG CoCom and SPC visit
29 May (Taranto)	Draw of team groups of all team sports, in the presence of a representative of the relevant IFs, (open to Chefs de Mission)
	Meeting for the eventual suppression of events without sufficient number of entries and publication of the Final Sport Programme
	Updating of the Daily Competition Schedule
	Deadline for the accreditation of VIPs and Dignitaries
15 June	Opening of the Entries by Name (SEQ – Short List)
30 June (TBC)	CoCom visit & ICMG ExCo meeting
14 July (at 23:59 CET)	Deadline for the Entries by Name (Short List)
15 July	Deadline for confirmation of Arrivals & Departure Forms (ADS)
	Opening of the Late Athlete Replacement procedure (LAR)
	Opening of the D.DRM for the NOCs (on-line)
15-17 August	End of F.DRM
18 August	Opening of the Mediterranean Village and beginning of the trainings
18-19 August (TBC)	ICMG meetings / ExCo meeting
20 August	ICMG General Assembly

DATES	DEADLINE FOR:
21 August	Opening Ceremony of the Taranto 2026 Mediterranean Games
3 September	Closing Ceremony of the Taranto 2026 Mediterranean Games
5 September	Closing of the Mediterranean Village
Note: CoCom visits are subject to future scheduling	

3. THE COMPETITION OF ARCHERY

3.1. Program

The Archery competition at the XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026 will be as follows:

QUOTAS per NOC			MEN'S EVENTS	WOMEN'S EVENTS	MIXED/OPEN EVENTS
M	W	T			
3	3	6	2	2	1

EVENTS		
Team Men	Team Women	Mixed Team
Individual Man	Individual Woman	

3.2. Dates and Venue

The Archery competition will take place **from Tuesday 25 to Friday 28 August 2026**, at the following venue:

Training Competition Venue	Distance from the Village	Capacity	Municipality
Archery New Sports Hall	15KM	1,000	Crispiano



4. RULES OF THE COMPETITION

4.1. Conditions for running the competition

The competition of Archery will take place if a minimum of eight (8) countries is entered, for the men competition and, a minimum of six (6) countries for the women competition, by 23:59 (Italian time) on **Thursday 23 April 2026**.

4.2. Cancellation of Events

According to the number of confirmed entries, the President of the ICMG Sports Programme Commission (SPC) together with one (1) or two (2) members of the said Commission, appointed by the ICMG President and in the presence of the OCMG Taranto 2026 Sports Director, will decide **on Friday 29 May 2026** on the staging or not of the Competition.

Once the event has been confirmed, it will be held and the corresponding medals and diplomas will be distributed, regardless of the number of participants.

The OCMG Taranto 2026 will inform immediately all the National Olympic Committees (NOCs) of the staging of the competition or not, depending on the number of Teams entered.

5. TECHNICAL ORGANIZATION

The FITA, under the supervision of WAF Technical Delegate, is responsible for the technical organization and for the development of the Archery Competition during the XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026.

5.1. Special procedures for the development of the Competition

Any issue that may arise prior or during the events will be resolved by Competition Management, as per ICMG and WAF rules, in force **on 1 January 2026**, unless the ICMG exceptionally authorizes otherwise.

Specific arrangements for the organisation of the Archery competition will be made according to the number of participants.

5.2. System of competition

The competition will be divided in three (3) phases: qualification rounds, elimination rounds and a final.



For the qualification rounds, the archers will shoot 72 arrows, in ends of 6 arrows, at a distance of 70 m, on a 122 cm-target.

All the competitors will shoot from the same field and stand.

The Olympic round system will be retained for the elimination rounds and the finals, both for individual and team events.

The individual elimination rounds will be carried out by a system of set. Each set will have three (3) arrows per archer. Each set won is two (2) points; a set tied is one (1) point. The first archer to reach six (6) points will win the match, with a maximum of five (5) sets. If there is a draw after the five (5) sets, a single (1) arrow will be fired as a tie-break.

Specific arrangements for the organisation of the archery competition will be made according to the number of teams taking part. Direct passage (bye) will be authorised in accordance with WAF regulations.

The team elimination rounds will be carried out by a system of sets. Each team will shoot a maximum of four (4) ends of six (6) arrows in total, or two (2) arrows per archers. The first team to reach five (5) points will win the match. If there is a tie, an extra set will be played in which each archer will shoot one (1) arrow. The winner will be team with the highest score with the three (3) arrows of the team. If there is a tie, the team with the arrow closest to the centre of the target will win. If there would still be a tie, at the same distance, the distance will be reduced to the next one, until the tie is broken.

The mixed team elimination rounds will be carried out by a system of sets. Each team will shoot a maximum of four (4) ends of six (4) arrows in total, or two (2) arrows per archers. The first mixed team to reach five (5) points will win the match. If there is a tie, an extra set will be played in which each archer will shoot one (1) arrow. The winner will be team with the highest score with the two (2) arrows of the team. If there is a tie, the team with the arrow closest to the centre of the target will win. If there would still be a tie, at the same distance, the distance will be reduced to the next one, until the tie is broken.

6. COMPETITION SCHEDULE

The Archery competition will take place according to the following schedule:



Dates	Hours	Events	Gender
25th August 2026	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Equipment inspection	Men Women
	9 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Official Practice	
26th August 2026	8 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Qualification round Individual Eliminations Team eliminations	Men Women
27th August 2026	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Individual Eliminations Mixed Team eliminations	Men Women Mixed Team
28th August 2026	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.	Team Finals Mixed Team Finals Individual Finals	Men Women Mixed Team
	6 p.m.	Medal ceremony	

6.1. Technical Offices

Two offices will provide specific Archery on the Archery Tournament:

- Technical Information Center (TIC) of Archery, at the Competition Venue.
- Sport Information Center (SIC) at the Mediterranean Village.

These offices will provide information on the schedule of the competition and training sessions, transport, list of players and results.

7. COMPETITION VENUE

The archery competition at the XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026 will take place at the new Crispiano sports hall, located 15 km from the Mediterranean Village.

The hall has a capacity of 1,000 spectators.

7.1. Competition Area

The competition area will be as follows, depending on the number of participants:



OPTION A:

For a single qualifying round (A-B-C) - 22 targets or firing lines each 2.70m wide (total: 59.4m); 16 firing lines 4m wide and 70m long with a minimum range of 62m.

OPTION B:

For two shooting rounds (AB-CD) - 32 targets or shooting lines each 1.90m wide and with a range of 60.80m.

Both options have a length of 70m from the firing line to the targets and a back-up line 5m from the firing line. There will be a 20m wide athletes' area behind the waiting line, equipped with tents.

7.2. Warm-up area for heats and alternate shooting finals

In addition to the competition area, archers will have a warm-up area at their disposal for alternating heats and finals.

7.3. Changing rooms

Athletes will have separate changing rooms for men and women, equipped with showers and toilets.

7.4. Athletes' Lounge

Athletes will have at their disposal a lounge with water, energizing drinks and fruits.

7.5. Mixed zone

In the mixed zone, accredited media will be allowed brief interviews with participants who have finished their competition. Athletes must pass through this zone to leave the competition area and will be asked to cooperate willingly in answering journalists' questions. At the request of the journalists, an official of the OCMG may invite the athletes to go into the mixed zone to answer their questions.

Accredited media will have access to a press tribune.

7.6. Sport Equipment

All sports equipment, technical equipment and uniforms used during archery competitions and training by archers and team officials must comply with the standards set out in the WAF rules **in force on 1 January 2026**, unless exceptions are authorised by the ICMG. A review of this equipment will be carried out by the appointed judges' committee during official training sessions.



8. TRAINING SESSIONS

8.1. Training Venue

Training sessions for Archery at the XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026 will be held at the following venue:

Training and Competition venue	Distance from Village	Capacity	Municipality
Archery New Sports Hall	15 KM	1,000	Crispiano

8.2. Calendar and Schedules for Training Sessions

Trainings will follow the schedule below:

Dates	Venue	Hours
22nd-24th August 2026	Crispiano Archery New Sport Hall	8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
25th-28th August 2026		According to the competition schedule

8.3. Services available at Training Venue

8.3.1. Changing Rooms

Athletes will have separate changing rooms for men and women, equipped with showers, toilets and scales.

8.3.2. Athletes' Lounge

At the training venues, athletes will have at their disposal a lounge with water, energizing drinks and fruits.

8.4. Media during training sessions

Training sessions will be opened to the media but not to the public. The Competition Manager will be authorized to change this rule when and if he deems it necessary.

The print media will have a one (1) meter wide 'media line' in front of the firing line. To enable them to take better photos, a false wall (blind) will also be installed for the alternating clashes.



8.5. Procedure for the scheduling of training sessions

NOCs will receive the planning of the training sessions during the second half of July. They will have to confirm that they will make use of their allocated sessions during the DRM.

8.5.1. Before the Competition

As a rule, Competition Management will put the relevant Venue at the Athletes' disposal for one daily session, two (2) days before the beginning of the competition, **on Sunday 23 August 2026**.

If they have requested it during the DRM and following the procedure, Delegations will be able to use the Venue for training purposes, five (5) days before the beginning of the competition, **from Thursday 20 August 2026**.

8.5.2. During the Competition

The Competition Management will assign a daily training session of one hour and a half (1:30) in one of the relevant Venues.

During the Technical Meeting, on 24 August 2026, the Organizing Committee will deliver the Training Schedule during competition. Each NOC will then be able to inform of its specific training needs; these will be assessed to be included in the training schedule during the competition.

All NOCs will have to confirm they will use their allocated training session, by 17:00 the day prior to the training is due; should they fail to do so, the relevant session will be made available for the other NOCs. They may also request, before 17:00, an additional training session, which may be allocated to them, from 20:00 the same day, subject to availability at the Venues.

Upon their arrival, Teams will receive all relevant information on the training sessions, both at the SIC and at the TIC for Archery.

9. PARTICIPATION

All NOCs members of the ICMG, whose National Federation is a member Association of WAF, are entitled to participate in the Archery Tournament of the XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026.

Athletes taking part in the competition must have the nationality of the country they represent and abide by the Conditions and Rules of ICMG and WAF.



Each NOC may take part in the Archery competition with one (1) men's team and one (1) women's team, each consisting of three (3) archers who may also take part in the individual competition.

9.1. Entries

9.1.1. General Principles

The XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026 are open to all the Athletes of the NOCs of the Mediterranean countries' members of the ICMG, as indicated in the Rules of the ICMG Charter and of the IOC.

All Athletes taking part in the Games must be citizens of the country they represent, in accordance with the IOC Rules.

9.1.2. Procedures

The registration process is linked to the general system of Accreditations.

The OCMG Taranto 2026 entry system is an e-accreditation portal accessible through the official website of the Games: www.ta2026.com.

Each Delegation will have its own username and password to have access to this e-accreditation portal available in both French and English.

The portal will allow users to print a list of sport entries which, once signed, will have to be sent back, within the deadlines indicated below, to the OCMG Taranto 2026: entries@ta2026.com.

9.1.3. Entries by Number

The list of entries by number of participants for each NOC and event will have to be submitted through the e-accreditation portal, **by 23:59 (Italian time) on Monday 30 March 2026**.

9.1.4. Preliminary Entries by Name (Long list)

The list of preliminary entries of participants by names, by NOC and event, will have to be submitted via the e-accreditation portal, **by 23:59 (Italian time) on Thursday 23 April 2026**.

9.1.5. Final Entries by Name (Short list)

The NOC of each participating country will have to submit to the OCMG Taranto 2026, through the e-accreditation portal, the form with the final entries of their



participants by name, five (5) weeks before the beginning of the Games, on **Tuesday 14 July 2026 (by 23:59, Italian time)**.

9.1.6. Confirmation of Entries

Confirmation of entries will take place during the DRM and any eventual modification that could be acceptable will be presented to the SIC and confirmed at a later stage, during the Technical Meeting.

Specific forms for the confirmation of entries will be distributed in advance to the Chef of Mission of each NOC.

9.2. Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting will take place on **Monday 24 August 2026, at 11:00, at the competition venue**.

The meeting will be held in accordance with WAF Rules and chaired by WAF Technical Delegate. The following people must be in attendance:

- WAF Technical Delegate
- One member of the ICMG SPC Commission
- The Team Managers (one per country)
- The Coaches (one per team)
- The Team Doctors (one per team)
- Members of the competition's judges committee
- The OCMG Taranto 2026 Competition Manager for Archery

10. MEDICAL SERVICES

10.1. Medical Services at the Village and on the Competition Venue

During the XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026, medical services will be available to any accredited Athlete or Official who might need them, both at the Mediterranean Village and on the competition venues.

10.2. Mediterranean Village

The Polyclinic at the Village will provide the residents with the following services:

- Sport medicine



- Physiotherapy
- First Aid
- Emergency services 24/24h
- A fleet of ambulances will link the Polyclinic and the main Hospitals, should additional care be needed.

10.3. Competition Venues

During the events, all competition venues will provide the Athletes with the following services:

- Medical services
- Ambulance services
- Coolers filled with ice will be available for the Delegations at all Sport Venues.

10.4. Anti-Doping Control

Doping controls will be carried out during the competition or out of competition, under the responsibility of the International Testing Agency (ITA) and with the collaboration of the Italian National Anti-Doping Agency (NADO Italy), in accordance with the rules of the ICMG, the IF and the World Anti-Doping Code.

All competitors who undergo a control will receive written notification. The official procedure for the collection of samples will subsequently start, in accordance with the official deadlines and Regulations.

Any Athlete who refuses to submit to doping control, or who is declared positive after the test, will be disqualified from the competition and will be sanctioned along with his/her Team, in accordance with the ICMG and WAF Regulations.

11. REFEREES and JUDGES

11.1. Judges

The competition will be refereed by a team of international judges designated by WAF. These judges will be supported by a panel of Italian judges designated by the FITA if necessary.



11.2. Jury of Appeal

In accordance with the technical event regulations of each sport at the XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026, international juries of appeal will be formed. They will be responsible for ruling on formal protests and appeals.

In the event that the Technical Delegate is not the Chairman of the Jury of Appeal, the WAF will, through its Technical Delegate, designate the Chairman of the appropriately composed Jury of Appeal.

Unless special dispensation is granted by the WAF, a Jury of Appeal will be composed of one (1) Chairman and two (2) members selected from a list of six (6) suitably qualified representatives of the participating countries

The list will be communicated by the Technical Delegate during the Technical Meeting.

During the processing of a dispute, the members of the Jury of Appeal belonging to the countries involved will abstain from participating.

11.3. Claims

Claims will be ruled following WAF rules. Any claim can be raised by the relevant NOC, in written, in French or in English, accompanied by a cash deposit which amount is established by WAF rules.

All claims will be addressed to the TIC for Archery who will forward them to the Secretariat of the Jury of Appeal and to the ICMG SPC the chairman of the judges' committee and the Archery competition manager.

The deposit will only be refunded if the claim is successful.

12. SPORT CLOTHING

12.1. Sport clothing for athletes

Participants at the Archery competition of the XX Mediterranean Games Taranto 2026 will wear a sport uniform in accordance with WAF and ICMG Regulations.

Athletes' sport clothing and equipment will bear no commercial brand. As an exception, the brand name of the manufacturer of the clothing or the equipment will be tolerated if it is discreet and does not have any advertisement purpose, in accordance to the ICMG and WAF rules.



The same rule will apply for the **Medal Ceremonies** regarding sport clothing and advertising. Athletes will step on the podium with the official clothing of their respective NOC.

12.2. Sport clothing for judges

International judges will wear a WAF approved clothing throughout the competition.

12.3. Number bibs

Number bibs provided by the OCMG Taranto 2026 and worn by participants must be fully visible throughout the competition, as stipulated in the WAF regulations.

13. MEDAL CEREMONIES

The Medal Ceremonies, as per the ICMG and the WAF Rules, will take place at the end of each competition.

A diploma will be distributed to the archers classified fourth to eight in each event.

14. APPROVAL OF THE REGULATIONS

In case of disagreement on the interpretation of these Regulations with any other related version, the French version will take precedence.

This Technical Manual was approved by the ICMG.



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