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Dear Member Associations,

We are happy to announce that we will hold the Eighth Caribbean Development Championships in Leonora, Guyana, on October 21-25, 2026. The tournament is open to all World Archery Americas member associations, regardless of their geographic location in our continent.

We will have five different classes, as follows:

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| Adults | No age limits                                    |
| U21    | Archers born in 2006 or after                    |
| U18    | Archers born in 2009 or later                    |
| U15    | Archers born in 2012 or later                    |
| U11    | Archers born in 2016 or later (special category) |

We will have two categories, which will differ in:

- Level of experience and expertise of the archers
- Distance to shoot

The first category is called **Beginners** and will follow these rules:

30 meters for recurve, compound and barebow.

The second category is called **Developmental**:

It will be shot at 50 meters (recurve at 122 faces, and compound at 80 cm faces).

The recurve and compound U15 category will shoot at 40 meters. Recurve on 122cm faces, Compound on 80cm six-ring faces)

Barebow archers in the Developmental category will shoot at 40 meters on 122 cm faces. Barebow archers in the U15 categories will shoot at 30 meters on 122 cm faces.

### **Competition Format for the Caribbean Development Championships**

#### **RECURVE BOW**

##### Recurve Bow - Beginners

Qualification Round

30m Round (72 arrows),  
Ends of 6 arrows shot in 4 minutes.  
80cm faces (1-10 scoring zone)  
Set system at 30 meters.

Elimination and Finals Rounds



Recurve Bow – Developmental  
Qualification Round

Elimination and Finals Rounds

50m Round (72 arrows)  
40m Round (72 arrows) for the U15 categories  
122cm target faces  
Set system at 50 meters  
40 meters for the U15

**COMPOUND BOW**

Compound Bow - Beginners  
Qualification Round

Elimination and Finals Round

30m Round (72 arrows)  
80cm target faces (1-10 scoring zone)  
Ends of 6 arrows shot in 4 minutes  
15 arrow matches cumulative scores at 30 m

Compound Bow – Developmental  
Qualification Round

Elimination and Finals Round

50m Round (72 arrows)  
40m Round (72 arrows) – for the U15 categories  
80cm target faces (5-10 scoring zone)  
Ends of 6 arrows shot in 4 minutes  
15 arrow matches / cumulative scores at 50 m  
(40m for the U15 categories)

**BAREBOW**

Barebow – Beginners  
Qualification Round

Elimination and Finals Round

30m Round (72 arrows)  
122cm target face  
Ends of 6 arrows shot in 4 minutes  
Set system at 30 meters

Barebow – Developmental  
Qualification Round

Elimination and Finals Round

40m Round (72 arrows)  
30m Round for the U15  
122cm target face  
Set system at 40 meters (30m for the U15)

**TEAMS**

- A mixed Team Round for all categories. Teams to be formed by a man and a woman in the same age group and bow type, but not necessarily from the same country. Countries with a man and a woman in the same category will form a mixed team representing their country. Other mixed teams may be formed with archers from two different countries.



- Same gender doubles for all categories. Teams to be formed by two men or two women in the same age group and bow type, but not necessarily from the same country. Countries with two men or two women in the same category will form a double representing their country. Other doubles may be formed with archers from two different countries.
- Selection of archers for multi-nation teams will be based on the final CDC registration by the deadline. Late registrants will not be included in the team/double rounds. Information on multi-nation team rosters will be announced by the Technical Delegate at the team managers' meeting.

## **COMBINATION OF CATEGORIES**

- Age categories may need to be combined depending on the number of participants registered (individual and teams).

Exceptional U11 Beginners Category – archers born in 2016 or later will shoot at 15 meters on 80cm target faces.

### **Tournament Information:**

The 2026 Caribbean Development Championship is an open event, so there is no limit in the number of participants by country in any of the categories. Registrations for the event must be completed online by national federations or their designated officials only.

### **Equipment rules:**

The rules in Chapter 9 (World Archery Rules Book 3) shall apply in their entirety.

### **Eligibility:**

Archers who have previously competed in Beginner or Developmental categories may not return and compete in the same class either with the same bow type or by changing bow type. For example, if a Beginner shoots a recurve bow one year, they cannot return the next year shooting a compound or barebow. They may shoot any bow type in the Developmental class.

Archers who have competed previously in a sanctioned WA event (World Ranking Event or Continental/Regional Championship) will not be allowed to compete at the CDC.