

KENT ARCHERY ASSOCIATION

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POLICY

COUNTY RECORDS

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STATEMENT OF POLICY

The Association maintains "County Records" as an incentive to its members to work for and attain a high level of performance. For this reason it will maintain records in as many disciplines, bow styles and age ranges as is practical. The Association may therefore add new record categories if the level of participation in that category warrants it, or remove record categories to avoid trivialising the purpose of maintaining records.

Where the scoring system for a round changes, a round is discontinued or county records are discontinued for a round, the Association will normally preserve existing records in a "Closed Records" section in recognition of the past performance.

Eligibility

To qualify to hold a county record, you must ensure that **all** of the following criteria were met at the time that the round was shot. You must:

- be an Associate Member, Junior Associate Member or Individual Member of The Association as defined in the county's Constitution;
- have shot and scored the round in complete compliance with GNAS regulations, at any tournament or published club target day;
- have shot a round or distance for which the county maintains a record for the combination of bow style, gender and age group;
- either have shot a score that exceeds an existing record, or shot a score for a round for which no record currently exists.

Restrictions

Completion: You must have completed the round.

Age Groups: You may only claim records for your actual age group:

- on the date that the round was shot, or
- where a round takes place over two or more days and the archer enters **and** competes in the whole of that competition, their age group on the first day of the competition.

Constituent Rounds: You may only claim records for "constituent" rounds, when that round has been specifically shot; you cannot claim for such a round, when shot as part of a longer round. For example (but not limited to):

- Long and Short Metric records cannot be claimed when shot as part of a FITA or Metric round, even if the FITA or Metric round is shot over two days;
- Bray records cannot be claimed when shot as part of a FITA 18m or FITA 25m round.

More than One Round: If more than one round is shot on the same day, it is only permissible to claim a record for the first round, but the following exceptions apply:

- Rounds shot in different disciplines shall be treated separately;
- If the 1st and 2nd rounds together comprise a recognised double or combination, then a record may be claimed for that double or combination;
- If *all* the rounds shot are recognised by FITA for record purposes (albeit the event may not have FITA record status), then records may be claimed for *any* of the rounds shot.

Note: Metric 1-5 rounds, Long and Short Metrics, FITA field rounds using concessionary pegs and FITA Clout rounds are not recognised by FITA or are not recognised by them for record purposes and therefore fall outside this exclusion. Please refer to "Appendix – Rounds Recognised by FITA for Record Purposes" on page 6 for a list of the FITA rounds where you can claim records for second and subsequent rounds shot on the same day.

Double Rounds: Double rounds are always treated as two instances of the round, but must be shot on the same or consecutive days, at the same venue and as part of the same event. You can claim records for single rounds, but this is subject to current GNAS rules relating to two rounds shot on the same day. So, for example:

- If you shoot a double FITA shot over two or four days, you may claim records for the double round and for each single FITA round;
- If you shoot a double National shot on one day, you may claim records for the double round and the first single round only.

Distance Records: You may only claim outdoor target archery metric distance records when shot as part of a completed FITA or Metric round.

THE CLAIM PROCESS

To receive a Kent county record, you must additionally:

- claim the record in writing to the county Records Officer;
Note: all record claims must be made on the County Record Claim Form - the county Records Officer will not routinely check score returns or other documents for possible records.
- provide evidence of the score on either a tournament results sheet or a correctly completed score sheet;
Note: score sheets must be completed in accordance with ArcheryGB regulations and must be signed by both the archer and scorer and certified on the back by a club official that the round was shot and scored in complete compliance with ArcheryGB regulations;
- make the claim within six months of the score being shot.
Note: it is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that their club Records Officer follows the correct process within the required time scale. If in doubt, please contact the county Records Officer in plenty of time.

Claim forms for county records will be held indefinitely as part of the Association's archive.

Record claims will not be accepted for rounds for which records are not currently maintained:

- The Operational Committee will consider the inclusion of additional records for rounds, bow-styles and/or age groups following receipt of a written request to the county Records Officer;
- Claims for a newly added record will only be accepted for rounds shot after the date on which the Operational Committee agreed to add the new record.

Notwithstanding the above conditions, the Association may wish to add types of record and as part of the process of introducing them, it may invite archers to submit claims for scores shot during a specified period; at the end of that period it may then award records for the highest claims received.

Disabilities

The Association will normally treat claims for disability categories on trust and will not require documentary evidence at the time a claim is made – the claim will effectively constitute "self-certification" of the disability category.

The Association does, however, reserve the right to subsequently request suitable supporting evidence, if circumstances make this necessary.

Acknowledgement of a Record

The Operational Committee will acknowledge a record:

- if the county Records Officer is satisfied that all of the above conditions have been met;
- after ratification at the next meeting of the county committee;
- in the minutes of that meeting;
- in any other additional manner that the Operational Committee or county Records Officer shall from time to time agree.

APPENDIX – ROUNDS RECOGNISED BY FITA FOR RECORD PURPOSES

These lists are understood to be correct as at the date of publication, but are subject to change by FITA.

Note: The KAA does not maintain records for the FITA Elimination and Finals Rounds, because the rounds only exist in the context of a head-to-head knock-out.

Team Rounds are not included here as the KAA only maintains records for individuals.

Target Archery – Outdoors

FITA Round – Gentlemen

FITA Round – Ladies

FITA Cadet Round – Boys

FITA Cadet Round – Girls

FITA 70m

FITA 60m Cadet Round

FITA Elimination Round

FITA Finals Round

Target Archery – Indoors

FITA 18m

FITA 25m

Note: The FITA Combination Round consists of one FITA 25m round, plus one FITA 18m round shot *consecutively*, so it is not a single round in its own right, but should be thought of in a similar way to a “double” round.

Field Archery

FITA Field Round (Unmarked, Marked or Mixed, all in various numbers of targets set.)

FITA 3D Field Round

Note: If GNAS concessionary pegs for juniors and certain bow-styles are used, then the round is not recognised by FITA.

Clout Archery

Note: While FITA specifies Clout rounds, none are recognised for record purposes.