



Memorandum of Understanding between
The International Crossbow-shooting Union
and
The World Crossbow Shooting Association Inc.



THIS AGREEMENT is made this Fifteenth day of October 2006

BETWEEN

The International Crossbow Shooting Union having its principal office at Château de Vaumarcus, CH-2028 Vaumarcus, Switzerland, herein referred to as “IAU”,

AND

The World Crossbow Shooting Association Incorporated, having its principal office at 33 Cadell Street, Goolwa, in the state of South Australia, herein referred to as “WCSA”.

WHEREAS

- A. The IAU is the pre-eminent international crossbow shooting body which was formed in 1956 and controls Match and Field crossbow shooting; and,
- B. WCSA was formed as a “break-away” organisation from the IAU in 2002 to control international Target and Sport crossbow shooting; and,
- C. Both IAU and WCSA are desirous of establishing a mutually beneficial and complementary relationship with a view to ultimate re-unification.

NOW IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. Both parties shall mutually recognise and respect each other as individual and independent entities. The relationship shall be one of being equal international controlling bodies.
- 2. Both parties shall mutually recognise each others’ member federations, member clubs and shooting members, provided that such members are financial. Such recognition shall extend to statements to this effect on both parties’ websites.
- 3. The WCSA recognises the sole rights of the IAU to control international Match crossbow shooting.
- 4. The IAU recognises the sole rights of the WCSA to control international Sport crossbow shooting in all its forms.
- 5. The IAU recognises the sole rights of the WCSA to control the development of Target 3D and Field shooting.

6. Both parties agree to the parallel development for the time being of Field/Target crossbow shooting under the control of the IAU and WCSA, respectively.
7. Both parties recognise the rights of the other party to independently recruit and develop member federations and clubs.
8. Shooters from one organisation shall be able to freely enter and be eligible to receive “Guest” or special (non-title) awards in a competition sanctioned/hosted by the other. However shooters from one party who are not affiliated with the host controlling organisation shall not be eligible to receive the same awards as given to members.
9. Both parties will work towards the concept of having all international crossbow shooting ultimately under the control of one umbrella or peak body.
10. Both parties shall keep each other apprised of proposed rules changes, particularly as they relate to Field and Target crossbow shooting with the objective of working towards rule harmonisation. However, each party shall retain its own rules for the time being. The Technical Committees of both parties shall work together.
11. Both parties shall consult on the preparation of a common shooting calendar to be jointly published.
12. Both parties agree to fully consult in all matters of common interest so as not to independently develop new conflicting programs.
13. Both parties will negotiate on the benefits or otherwise of a policy to join the General Association of International Sporting Federations (GAISF).
14. Both parties will negotiate on the harmonisation of annual membership fees.
15. Both parties agree to the principle of equality for all shooters irrespective of age, sex or physical ability and in particular the recognition of Assisted (disabled) shooters as a separate category.
16. Both parties will share Intellectual Property (IP) and programs as agreed, each party respecting the rights of the other to properly protect such IP.
17. This Agreement shall be deemed to have come into force as of the date first above written and shall remain in force indefinitely or until such time as it may be amended, superseded by another agreement, or terminated by either party.
18. This Agreement represents the entire existing agreement between the parties relating to the purpose mentioned in the Recitals herein, and this Agreement supersedes all other agreements written, oral or otherwise concerning such an exchange.

19. This Agreement and all disputes arising under or in connection with it shall be governed by arbitration, under the auspices of a mutually acceptable independent body.

20. Both parties shall be independent and shall not represent each other.

21. The terms used in this Agreement have the following meaning:

‘SHOOTER’ means active members of either IAU or WCSA

The terms **‘FIELD’** and **‘TARGET’** crossbow are synonymous, complying with IAU and WCSA rules, respectively.

‘SPORT(ING)’ crossbow; crossbows other than Field or Target crossbows as defined under WCSA rules.

‘FIELD SHOOTING’ means shooting at two dimensional targets laid out on a Field course as defined by WCSA.

‘3D SHOOTING’ means shooting at three dimensional targets laid out on a course as defined by WCSA.

22. All notices for correspondence in connection with this Agreement shall be sent to:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed or caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective officers or representatives thereto duly authorised, all in place and of the date first written above.



Christopher Aston, President
International Crossbow-shooting Union



Anthony Bradbury, President
World Crossbow Shooting Association Inc.