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1. The question I have raised in the previous case study about the iPad. Who should have it. The shooter, the assistant or both? What is your answer and why.
2. At a Target championship a bolt hits another bolt and remains lodged in the fletch (don't ask me how. Just be assured when viewed it was still in the fletch). It is not touching anything else. Fletches from both bolts are almost touching each other. So the offending bolt point is not touching anything. The bolt that was hit still is in the scoring zone – it is an 8. What is the value of the offending bolt?
3. During a Bronze medal MP round a competitor shoots a bolt with no fletches and wins. The opponent files an appeal claiming the bolt was not legal. You are on the jury. What would your decision be?

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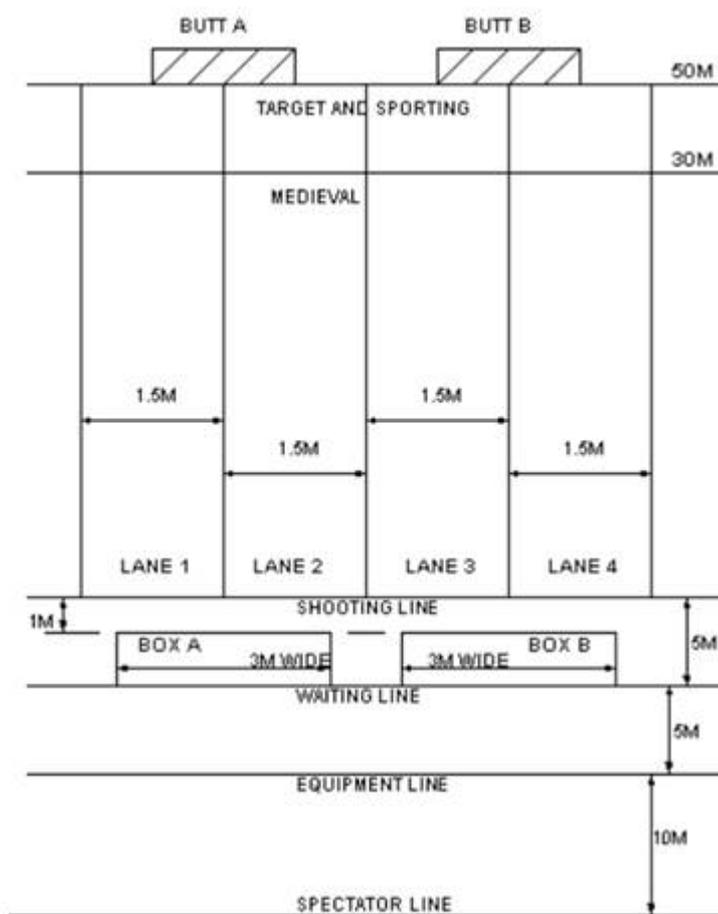
1. Whilst scoring at a Target Championship a shooter takes out a magnifying glass to look at the value of his bolt. Another competitor comes to you and complains. How do you respond?
 - a. Whilst a shooter using a magnifying glass whilst scoring is unusual there is nothing that prohibits this. As long as the shooter does not touch the target face or bolt. As this was brought to my attention I walk talk to the shooter with the glass to ascertain if there were any issues and remind the shooter about touching the bolts and face. I would also advise the other competitor that the shooter was within their rights as long as the shooter did not touch anything. Also remind them that if they are unsure about the value, call a judge.
2. An assisted shooter uses a camera mounted on an iPad pointed at the target face. You look at the iPad screen and can only see the target face & bolts. You ask the shooter the purpose and you are informed that it is used instead of a spotting scope. Would you allow this and why? Please note there is a lot more to this than a yes or no.....
 - a. This one got a few comments about electronic equipment on the shooting line. Whilst that is true and I totally agree with it I do not have an issue with the iPad with a camera on it as long as it did not interfere with the other shooters and only focused on the competitors target and did nothing else. The iPad & camera should have been brought forward for inspection so the CoJ could make a ruling on the electronic equipment being allowed there. The other point is should the competitor have the iPad on the line or should it be back with the assistant. That is a very good question. I know what the rules say but what do you say? Perhaps that would be a November case study question ☺
3. In a Teams Gold medal match at a Target World Championships, where alternate shooting applies, the judge indicates which team is to shoot first. The DoS starts the timing equipment and the match starts. Team A shoot their first 3 bolts and once the last shooter crosses the waiting (1m) line the DoS/Judge stops the timing for Team A and starts the timing for Team B who shoot their 3 bolts. Again the DoS or Judge stops the clock for Team B once the last shooter crosses the 1m waiting line. Bolts are scored and the 2nd end commences. The judge indicates that Team A is to commence shooting and Team A do so as directed once the DoS starts the timer. Team B then shoots, scoring is completed and the 3rd end is then shot with Team A shooting first. You are the Target (scoring) Judge. What would you do (if anything)?
 - a. Another lot of varied answers for this one. A lot went wrong here. The DoS didn't pick it up. The shooting judge didn't pick it up. The competitors for

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either team didn't pick it up nor did their team managers or coaches. What did happen is that the competitors shot their bolts in the time sequence allotted to them. Even though the sequence was out of order it was **NOT** the competitors fault. Remember they are shooting for Gold at a World Champs. Their focus should be about getting that bolt in the 10. Not arguing with a judge about who should be shooting. So as the C.o.J. I would have allowed the scores shot, even though out of sequence. I would also find out what happened and probably more importantly why the DoS and Shooting judges did not pick it up or did nothing before the first bolt was shot. I would make sure it didn't happen again. This is why the DoS should have a running sheet to ensure such a situation does not happen. It is also a reason why I prefer the DoS to be an IJ, especially at World Champs

Also someone mention that the waiting line is 5m and not 1m as per my question. I refer you to this diagram that is in the rule book. Team Match Play is new to us and can be confusing when being run. For those that have not see it in action all the competitors stand in their respective box before the DoS or shooting judge gets things going (ie during coin tosses, etc). With the exception of assisted shooters who can stay on the shooting line, my general rule of thumb is that there can only be 2 legs in front of that 1m line. Most of the time it is the shooter with both legs straddling the shooting line but as the shooter is returning to the box and places 1 leg inside it then the next shooter can commence to move forward (with bolt in quiver). I hope that clears it up.

APPENDIX 12b - RECOMMENDED TEAM WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OUTDOOR MATCH-PLAY GROUND LAYOUT



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