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TEAM MANAGERS MEETING
INFORMATION BOOKLET
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The Team Managers' Meeting will take place

on Monday, 16th February at 11:00

In Kolodrum Plovdiv - Conference Room next to entrance B2.1

<https://www.archeryeurope.org/event/european-indoor-championships-2026e/>

<https://www.ianseo.net/Details.php?told=26689>

All Team Managers are kindly requested to attend this important meeting.

Teams without Team Managers are advised to send one of their athletes to the Team Managers Meeting.

Due to environmental preservation and responsible behaviour toward nature, we will limited number of printed materials. Please note that notifications regarding the tournament will be shared in real-time on the lanseo website.

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Dear Team Managers, Archers, Officials,

On behalf of the Bulgarian Archery Federation and Local Organising Committee of the European Indoor Championship, I welcome you to Plovdiv, Bulgaria.

Wishing you good luck, great results and a pleasant time during the European Indoor Championships.

Atanas Temelkov

President of
Bulgarian Archery Federation



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Agenda of the Team Managers (TM) meeting

Opening

- Brought to order by WAE TD, Mr Darko Uidl
- Introduction of the panel, WAE TD, Mr Darko Uidl
- Welcome speech by the President of the Organising Committee

1) Roll call of all attending nations (TD)

2) Introduction of Officials (TD)

- Organising Committee (OC) members, by the Chairman of the OC
- Tournament Judges Commission, by the Chairman of Judges
- Director of Shooting, by the Chairman of Judges
- Jury of Appeal, by WAE TD

3) Technical Aspects of the competition (TD + OC + Chairman of Judges)

- 3.1. Number of participants per class
- 3.2. Practice Field and Competition Field
- 3.3. Competition Program (attached)
- 3.4. Practice and Warm-up
- 3.5. Equipment Inspection
- 3.6. Qualification Round & information on scoring
- 3.7. Individual Elimination Round
 - 3.7.1. Recurve
 - 3.7.2. Compound
 - 3.7.3. Barebow
- 3.8. Team Elimination Round
 - 3.8.1. Recurve Team
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 - 3.8.3. Barebow Team



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 - 3.9.1. Recurve Mixed Team
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 - 3.9.3. Barebow Mixed Team
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- 3.11. Appeal Procedure (Form attached)
- 4) Technical Matters (TD + Chairman of Judges)**
 - 4.1. Timing Control System
 - 4.2. Results system
 - 4.3. Rules that apply in this event, WA Rules for 2026
 - 4.3.1. Warm-up and start of the competition
 - 4.3.2. Practice on the competition field during byes
 - 4.3.3. Number of team officials
 - 4.3.4. Archers acting as Coaches
 - 4.3.5. Shoot-offs - Individuals
 - 4.4. Dress Regulations
- 5) Logistical Aspects (OC)**
 - 5.1. Transportation: Venue, Airport, etc.
 - 5.2. Meals, during practice, Qualification rounds, finals...
 - 5.3. Accreditation cards
- 6) Protocol and ceremonies**
 - 6.1. Opening
 - 6.2. Medal Ceremonies & Closing
 - 6.3. Closing party
- 7) Medical-related issues (OC)**
 - 7.1. Medical services
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- 8) Doping Control**
 - 8.1. Doping control
 - 8.2. Alcohol test
- 9) Dress Regulation**



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10) Other matters of Importance (TD)

- 9.1. The environment
- 9.2. Water
- 9.3. Non-Smoking
- 9.4. Lost items
- 9.5. Internet Access

11) Questions from Team Managers

12) Closing (TD)



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COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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Photographer	Mr Sebastian Velikov
	Mr Francesco Sterza
Field Manager	Mr Isai Isaev
Transportation & Accommodation	Mrs Tsvetoslava Petkova
	Mrs Marieta Karanesheva
Results & Accreditation	Mrs Chiara Dalpiaz
	Mr Luca di Valerio
DJ	Mr Deyan Yankov
Awarding	Mrs Dessislava Badinova



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Mrs Manuela Cascio, Deputy

Director of Shooting

Mr Carsten Kühn, DOS

Mrs Katya Ilieva, DOS assistant

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Mr Zhivko Krumov

Mr Naci Ügur

Mrs Dessislava Badinova

Mr Konrad Przesmycki

Mr Maksym Shchykovskyy

Mr David Vostrez

Mr Velizar Velikov

Mrs Christoulla Demetriou

Mrs Daniela Staneva

Mrs Aoife Simm

Mr Peter Van den Bulck

Jury of Appeal

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Hana Majarova - alternate

Cezar Alexandrescu - alternate

WAE Results & Accreditation

Mrs Chiara Dalpiaz

Mr Georgi Kamishev

Mr Luca di Valerio



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3) Technical Aspects of the Competition

3.1. Number of participants per class

Number of Member Associations: 29

	Individual	Teams	Mixed Teams
Recurve Men	44 (1/16)	9 (1/8)	12 (1/8)
Recurve Women	32 (1/16)	7 (1/4)	
Recurve U21 Men	42 (1/16)	12(1/8)	13 (1/8)
Recurve U21 Women	36 (1/16)	10 (1/8)	
Compound Men	31 (1/16)	7 (1/4)	8 (1/4)
Compound Women	15 (1/8)	3 (1/2)	
Compound U21 Men	20 (1/16)	5 (1/4)	8 (1/4)
Compound U21 Women	26 (1/16)	6 (1/4)	
Barebow Men	28 (1/16)	7 (1/4)	9 (1/8)
Barebow Women	25 (1/16)	7 (1/4)	
Barebow U21 Men	6 (1/4)	1	4 (1/2)
Barebow U21 Women	10 (1/8)	1	

3.2. Practice Field and Competition Field

Competition is held in the sports hall **Kolodrum, "Asenovgradsko shose" 8, Plovdiv.**

Two practice fields will be available for training*.

- Conference Room (Paris 1 + Paris 2 + Paris 3) at Grand Hotel Plovdiv – 10 targets
- Underground parking of the Kolodrum hall – 20 targets

*Both practice fields will be open 15-19 February 2026, every day in the period 08:30-12:00, 14:30-17:30

If Practice Fields are overloaded will start booking 1-hour sessions.

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All team and mixed team gold medal matches and all individual medal matches will be shot alternately and will have live coverage.

For the finals, a practice field with 8cpo targets will be built, behind the tribunes, allowed only for the finalists.

Also, some other matches during the competition will have live coverage on the video screen and on the internet.





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3.3. Competition Program (attached)

Any official competition schedule will indicate the version number and the date/hour it was printed. The latest version of the Competition Schedule at the moment of writing the Team Managers Booklet is V1.0

3.4. Practice and Warm-up

Official Practice (2,5 hours) shooting AB/CD format will be organised in two sessions, split by categories. Warm-up will be organised on the competition field as it is scheduled in the attached program.

Noncompeting archers will be allowed to practice only at the practice field.

3.5. Equipment Inspection

Equipment inspection will be held following the program of the official practice on Monday, 16 February.

All team members (archers and officials) must wear their team uniforms and accreditation cards. The correct spelling of archers' names, as well as the correct date of birth in the archer's list, will be checked during the accreditation.

Spare equipment must also be brought for inspection.

Team Managers are to check the details of their athletes, such as name and date of birth, are correct beforehand

Inform the Judge if details are not correct, and the Judge will inform the WAE Results Team.

Instructions to use the tablet scoring system will be provided if requested.

The passports/the id cards and the date of birth will be checked during the accreditation for Juniors.

Athlete (back) Numbers

- Athlete numbers will be issued on the day of the qualification round (with the scorecards) during the practice.
- Athlete numbers must be worn on the quiver or thigh, facing the waiting line while shooting

3.6. Qualification Round & information on scoring

Target assignments will be published only on the internet.

CM21, RM, RW21, BW21, BW, CM at Tuesday 17 February, Morning

2-3-4 athletes per target in AB/CD Format 18 m Round (60 arrows)

CW, RW, RM21, BM21, BM, CW21 at Tuesday 17 February Afternoon

4 athletes per target In AB-CD Format 18 m Round (60 arrows)

Shooting in qualifications will be conducted with 2-3-4 archers per target in AB/CD format. Electronic Score Terminals (PDA) for each target will be given by volunteers when athletes reach the target. Assistance will be given in the FoP if requested by the WAE Result Team on-site.

3.7. Individual Elimination Round

Byes are permitted. In case of a bye, athletes might be allowed to shoot on their own target, provided the competition schedule and space on the FoP allow. If the competition schedule allows, no score will be recorded or displayed, and athletes shooting their bye must respect the DOS timing and signals of the



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competition. In some phases, FoP do not allow Buys to shoot on the competition field, and in such cases, an additional 3 ends of warming will be allowed before the next phase.

Recurve and Barebow athletes are permitted to shoot 3 sets of practice, and compound athletes are permitted to shoot 5 ends of practice for their bye. Target faces will **NOT** be changed after practice arrows. Please instruct your athletes to mark all arrow holes during the practice. Matches will start as soon as the field is ready. Matches at the start of each session will begin on time. Proceeding matches will follow up on the immediate completion of the prior match.

3.7.1. Recurve

The set system will be used for recurve division. All individual matches will consist of a maximum 5 sets of 3 arrows per set. Archer with 6 set points wins the match.

3.7.2. Compound

The compound match round will be used for compound division. All matches will consist of 5 ends of 3 arrows, cumulative scoring.

3.7.3. Barebow

The set system will also be used for the barebow division. All individual matches will consist of a maximum of 5 sets of 3 arrows per set. Archer with 6 set points wins the match.

3.8. Team Elimination Round

The Team Elimination Round will start with the 1/8. Bronze matches will be shot immediately after semi finals and Gold medal matches, including for U21, will be organised with alternating shooting on Friday, according to the schedule. Please remember that you need an agent for the blind.

Byes are allowed. In case of a bye, teams will be allowed to shoot on the competition field, but no score will be recorded or allowed to be displayed.

Shoot-off in Team eliminations and Finals

- a three-arrow shoot-off for score, a single arrow by each team member. If the score is tied, the team with the arrow closest to the centre will win.

If still tied, the second arrow (or third) closest to the centre will determine the winner.

If the tie cannot be resolved, successive shoot-offs will be conducted until the tie is resolved

3.8.1. Recurve Team

Maximum 4 sets of 6 arrows, 2 arrows per archer, 1 arrow per target face (set points scoring). The team with 5 set points wins the match.

3.8.2. Compound Team

4 ends of 6 arrows, 2 arrows per archer, 1 arrow per target face (cumulative scoring).

3.8.3. Barebow Team



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Maximum 4 sets of 6 arrows, 2 arrows per archer, 3 arrows per target face (set points scoring). The team with 5 set points wins the match.

3.9. Mixed Team Elimination Round

The Mixed Team Elimination Round will start with the 1/8. Bronze matches will be shot immediately after semi finals and Gold medal matches, including for U21, will be organised with alternating shooting on Friday afternoon according to the schedule. Please remember that you need an agent for the blind.

Byes are allowed. In case of a bye, teams will be allowed to shoot on the competition field, but no score will be recorded or allowed to be displayed.

Shoot-off in Mixed Team eliminations and Finals

- a two-arrow shoot-off for score, a single arrow by each team member. If the score is tied, the team with the arrow closest to the centre will win.

If still tied, the second arrow closest to the centre will determine the winner.

If the tie cannot be resolved, successive shoot-offs will be conducted until the tie is resolved

Remember that the composition of the mixed team and team can be changed in writing at least 15 minutes before the start of the official practice of that round of competition – see art. 4.3.2. below. The form is attached at the end of this document.

3.9.1. Recurve Mixed Team

Maximum 4 sets of 4 arrows, 2 arrows per archer, 1 arrow per target face (set points scoring). The team with 5 set points wins the match.

3.9.2. Compound Mixed Team

4 ends of 4 arrows, 2 arrows per archer, 1 arrow per target face (cumulative scoring).

3.9.3. Barebow Mixed Team

Maximum 4 sets of 4 arrows, 2 arrows per archer, 2 arrows per target face (set points scoring). The team with 5 set points wins the match.

3.10. Individual Finals Round, Team Finals Round & Mixed Team Finals Round

All Bronze and Gold medal matches individual, and all Gold matches teams and mixed teams will have alternate shooting. The field for medal matches will be divided into two areas – the final field and the practice field for finalists.

Remember that you need an agent for the blind.

Judges will use the new WA procedure to signal that an arrow value is higher (point up) or lower (point down).



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3.11. Appeal Procedure (Form attached)

An Appeal form is attached to this document. In case of Intent to Appeal or an actual Appeal, the times indicated on the Appeal form must be followed.

The Appeal form should be given to the Chairman of the Tournament Judge Commission or to his deputy. A fee of 50 EUR must be paid to the Chairman of the Tournament Judge Commission for the Appeal to be valid.

If the Appeal is upheld by the Jury of Appeal, the fee will be returned. In the case of the Appeal being rejected, the fee will not be returned.

4) Technical Matters

4.1. Timing Control System

The Chronotir MC timing equipment will be used for timing with several displays on the competition and practice field.

4.2. Results system

I AM (lanseo) is the provider of the results. The scoring in the Qualification and Elimination Round will be done by the archers. One archer will write down the score on the paper score sheet, and another archer will score on a terminal. The third/fourth archer verifies that the correct scores are entered. Tablets will be used during the Qualifications, Eliminations and Finals, but not during Bronze and Gold medal match alternating shooting.

Scorecards must be signed by the scorer and the athlete, indicating that the athlete agrees with the value of each arrow, the total, the number of 10s and the number of Xs (or 9s for short distance events). If the scorer is participating in the shooting, the scorecard will be signed by another athlete on the same target butt.

Elimination Round – scoring will be completed by athletes. One athlete/team records the arrow values of both athletes/teams on the paper score sheet. While at the same time, the other athlete/team inputs the arrow values into the scoring tablet. Both athletes/teams should verify that all scores are written and entered correctly before returning to the shooting line.

At the end of the match, the scorecard must be fully completed and signed by the athletes (or agent/judge in the case of finals) involved in the match.

From January 27, 2026, the complete wording of 12.4.1. would be:

"Athletes are ultimately responsible for their portion of the scorecards.

Each target will have two scorecards, one of which may be electronic.

If there is a discrepancy in the arrow values:

- Between two paper scorecards, the lower value will take precedence.



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- Between an electronic and a paper scorecard, the paper card will take precedence.

If there is a discrepancy between the total score of the two scorecards, where:

- Two paper scorecards are used; the lower total score will be used for the final result.
 - If the lower scorecard total is lower than the current total, the lower total will be used.
- One paper scorecard and one electronic scorecard are used. The total of the electronic scorecard will be used for the total score, 10s and Xs (9s for short distance events) on the following conditions:
 - A total score has been entered on the paper scorecard, so verification is possible.
 - If no 10s and Xs (9s for short distance events) are entered on the manual scorecard, no 10s and Xs (9s for short distance events) will be registered.

If there is a discrepancy between the total on the scorecards and the actual total when two paper scorecards are used, where:

- If the scorecard total is lower than the current total, the lower total will be used.
- If the scorecard total is higher than the actual total, the actual total will be used.
 - Athletes/Teams/Mixed Teams will be disqualified when submitting the final scorecard:
- A paper scorecard is not submitted along with the electronic scorecard when both are being used.
- No signature is present on the paper scorecard.
- No total score is present in the paper scorecard.
- If an athlete is disqualified during the qualification round, they are not eligible to participate in the team or mixed round.
- If an athlete is disqualified from individual matchplay, that athlete will still be eligible to participate in the team/mixed team matchplay.

The organisers or officials are not required to do so, but they may have a process for verifying the accuracy of any submitted scorecard.

In case an error or omission is found, such as a missing signature or total, the technical delegate or the results manager may ask the athlete/team concerned to correct the error or omission before the next stage of the competition."

The interpretation of this new wording would be that the disqualification of an athlete or team, for not signing the scorecard, is no longer the prerogative of the Chairman of the Judges, but rather the decision of the Technical Delegate or the results team manager. To do so, they must be aware of the error or omission and willing to rectify it before the next phase of the competition.



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4.3. Rules that apply in this event, WA Rules for 2026 Version 2026-01-27

Rules for Indoor and WA official interpretations.

We will use 40cm triple spot (6-10) Recurve Target Faces for all Recurve Divisions, 40cm triple spot (6-10) Compound Target Faces for all Compound Divisions and Full 40cm (1-10) Barebow Target Faces for all Barebow Divisions at all stages.

4.3.1. Warm-up and start of the competition

Warm is always scheduled for 3 ends. However, the end of the warmup might end some minutes before the scheduled time, and the competition might start accordingly some minutes earlier, but always after a clear announcement.

4.3.2. Practice on the competition field during byes

Practice on the competition field during byes will be limited to three arrows per end and a maximum of three sets for Recurve and Barebow, and five ends for Compound. If more than three arrows are shot by an athlete in an end after being warned by a judge, the athlete may be denied further practice on the competition field, but any such violation shall not affect the next match.

4.3.3. Number of team officials

A Team Manager may be helped by other team officials (such as coaches, physiotherapists, psychologists, etc.). There may not be more than one team official on the field of play for each athlete competing at the time.

4.3.4. Archers acting as Coaches

Archers may act as coaches during finals, but they need to ask for the confirmation of the judges. No new accreditation will be issued if it is just for one match.

4.3.5. Shoot-offs – Individuals

A single arrow shoot-off for the score.

If the score is the same, the arrow closest to the centre of the target face will resolve the tie. If the distance is the same, successive single arrow shoot-offs will be conducted until the tie is resolved.

If both athletes miss the scoring area of the target, both athletes will shoot an additional arrow

4.4. Dress Regulations

Athletes, officials and staff should have a proper appearance when they are on the field during competition. Athletes, team officials and technicians must wear their national team uniforms (with the same look per division following WA rules) and sports shoes.

We would like to remind all teams that the names of archers and the country code on shirts are mandatory.

5) Logistical Aspects

5.1. Transportation: Venue, Airport, etc.



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The airports for arrivals and departures are in Sofia and Plovdiv. So, transportation is arranged between Sofia and Plovdiv. Crew (they will wear shirts with the logo of the competition) will welcome archers at the Vasil Levski National Airport and Plovdiv Airport to smooth the transportation process.

The competition area is not within walking distance, so transportation will be arranged. The schedule for departures will be published on time.

5.2. Meals, during practice, Qualification rounds, finals...

Breakfast, lunch and dinner will be served at the hotels according to the schedule:

breakfast: 6:30-9:30

lunch: 12:00-14:30,

dinner: 19:00-21:00

Lunch is going to be served in the form of lunch boxes for everybody who was shooting on the competition field before or during the lunch times.

Drinking water will be available at lunch and at dinner free of charge, while the other ordered drinks must be paid for.

All other items in the cafeteria at the archery venue or in the hotel (snacks, drinks, small meals) are not included in the entry fee and must be paid for by the consumer.

5.3. Accreditation cards

Accreditation cards must always be worn in the practice and competition areas as well as in the hotel.

6) Protocol and ceremonies

6.1. Opening

No opening ceremony.

6.2. Medal Ceremonies & Closing

Medal ceremonies will be conducted immediately after the last gold medal match per division.

The winners of the medals will be kindly asked to stay in the neighbourhood of the gathering point prepared for the awards to proceed quickly and smoothly with the ceremony.

All teams are kindly asked to stay in the sports hall till the end of the tournament. There will be a short closing ceremony. After the final closing speech, all medalists are requested to stay on the field for a group picture.

7) Medical-related issues

7.1. Medical services

The First Aid in the competition hall will be organised with an ambulance available in the hall.



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7.2. Emergencies

In case of an emergency during your stay in the hotel, please inform the reception and proper arrangements will be made.

National Emergency Number is **112**

8) Doping Control

8.1. Doping control

Anti-Doping control will follow World Archery Europe rules. Athletes should bring their passports and/or accreditation cards to the anti-doping control station if selected for a test.

8.2. Alcohol test

Athletes and officials should also be available for random alcohol testing during the competition, following World Archery Europe Rules.

9) Other matters of Importance

9.1. The environment

Team Managers, please instruct your team members to use litter bins located on the competition, practice ranges and common areas.

9.2. Water

Drinking water will always be available at the competition field. 1 bottle of water will be given to all accredited people at the water stations located around the FoP and Practice range. A new bottle of water will only be issued upon the return of the empty bottle. If the empty bottle has been lost, please contact the OC at the Information desk.

9.3. Smoking

This is a **Non-smoking** event. Smoking is forbidden inside public buildings and all competition and training areas. This also included electronic cigarettes.

9.4. Lost items

All lost items will be brought to the DoS stand, so ask there if you lost something.

10) Questions from Team Managers

11) Closing



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Request for CHANGE in MIXED Team composition

National Team:

Division:	RECURVE SENIOR	RECURVE U21
	COMPOUND SENIOR	COMPOUND U21
	BAREBOW SENIOR	BAREBOW U21

Names of competing archers:

- 1.
- 2.

Name of ARCHER being replaced:

Date:

Time of Receipt:

Team Manager Signature:

Result verifier/COJ signature (to confirm time of receipt):

NOTE: Form must be submitted to the official approved result verifier or the Chairman of Judges in writing at least 15 minutes before the start of official practice of that round of competition.



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APPEAL FORM

This is an intention of Appeal

This is an appeal from

- The Team Manager of : Name of the Team Manager:
- The Team of :
- An individual person (name) :
- Other (please specify) :

This appeal is against :

Description of Appeal or Protest :

I believe this action is against the following rules (state article if known) :

Signature :

Name in printing:

Received on : time :

by Chairperson of the Tournament Judge Commission :

Signature:

Name in printing:

Article 3.12.3.1 WA Rulesbook

An **intention to appeal** when it might affect the progression of an athlete from one stage of the competition to the next must be submitted in writing and lodged with the chairperson or deputy chairperson of the Tournament Judge Commission within **five minutes** of the end of the relevant round or match. During the Finals of match play rounds, the Notice of Intent to File an Appeal must be submitted in writing to the chairperson, deputy chairperson of the Judge Commission, within **five minutes** of the end of the match.

Article 3.12.3.2 WA Rulesbook

The **written appeal** will be submitted to the chairperson of the Tournament Judge Commission within 15 minutes of the end of the relevant round or match.



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