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TEAM MANAGERS BOOKLET

**The Team Managers Meeting will take place in the
Large catering tent in the Para Archery village**

On Monday, 27th April at 11:15

All team managers are requested to attend this meeting (a maximum of 2 representatives per country). Teams without a team manager are advised to send one of their athletes to the meeting. Please read this document upon receipt and bring it with you to the team managers' meeting. Note: Due to environmental preservation and responsible behaviors toward nature, we will not have any printed material at this event. Please note that notifications regarding the tournament will be published in real-time on the official websites of World Archery Europe (www.archeryeurope.org) and www.ianseo.net.



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Welcome word of the LOC

Dear friends,

As Chair of the Local Organizing Committee for the European Para Championships 2026, to be held in Rome, Italy, from 26 April to 2 May 2026, I would like to thank you for participating in one of the most important archery events in Europe this year. In particular, because it is the last official European Championships under the WAE presidency of Mario Scarzella.

A warm welcome to all participants, coaches, team managers and other staff members. The volunteers and staff of the LOC are ready to present you a great event in which you all can accelerate.

Enjoy Rome, enjoy the Championships.

Sincerely yours,

Sante SPIGARELLI
LOC Presidente



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1 Opening

- Brought to order by WAE Technical Delegate (TD), Mr. Arnoud Strijbis
- Introduction of the panel, by WAE TD, Mr. Arnoud Strijbis
- Roll call of attending nations
- Welcome speech, by the president of the Local Organizing Committee, Sante Spigarelli

2 Introduction of officials

2.1 Organizing Committee – Important phone numbers

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2.2 Judges commission

KARLE Friedrich	GER	Chair
BOLTA Petra	SLO	Deputy chair
ABARCA OLIVE Carlos	SPA	DOS
RUSSELL-CONAN Shannon	GBR	
SOKOLWSKA Malgorzata	POL	
ÖZDEMIR Serdar	TUR	
PAQUET Denis	FRA	
PIESINGER Manfred	HUN	
KRUMOV Zhivko	BUL	
PLESIET Marie Josephe	FRA	
BERTOTTO Niccolo	ITA (National Judge)	Assistant DOS

2.3 Jury of Appeal

MENEGHEL Gabriele	LAT	Chair
BRADA Vladimir	CZE	Member
FORSBERG Sami	FIN	Member
HURBAN Vladimir	SVK	Alternate
SANISHVILI Artem	GEO	Alternate

2.4 Classification panel

BARBI Chiara	ITA	Head of Classification / Chief Classifier
MEIWORM Lars Vladimir	GER	International Classifier
THIERNEY Megan	USA	International Classifier

2.5 Results and technology team

IANSEO team - IAM Group: Natalia Salukvadze, Alessio Opimo, Debora Boggianto, Alex Boggianto, Tinatin Scarzella, Daniele Bussi and Shaila (dog)

3 Technical aspects of the competition

3.1 Number of participants (*can be changed after final results of classification*)

	Individuals	Doubles	Mixed
Para Recurve Men	30	9	7
Para Recurve Women	18	4	
Para Compound Men	28	9	6
Para Compound Women	12	4	
W1 Men	16	4	3
W1 Women	11	2	
Visually impaired 1	7	-	-
Visually impaired 2/3	7	-	-

The most actual competition schedule will be provided online, including results and documents: www.ianseo.net. Each official competition schedule and classification schedule will have the version number, date and time printed on it.

3.2 Practice

- The shooting line in Spinaceto starts with the 2 targets that will be used for bronze medal matches of Friday 1 May 2026. Then there are 32 targets for competition field. Following more targets (targets 33 – 44) as practice field. At the end of the line, there will be 7 targets for VI events (45 – 51).
- A schedule for free practice will be published with time; fields will be open for people still involved in the competition.

Official Practice

Refer to the online schedule on Monday 27 April 2026. During official practice targets 34 – 43 can be used as practice field. Target 44 will be used for the research programme. Targets 45 – 51 can be used as practice field as well.

Qualification round practice

3 ends of 4 minutes practice on the Field of Play for qualification to immediately follow once the field is reset.

Final field practice

Only 4 targets for warm up available, so archers will be allowed to warm up only before the respective matches.

3.3. Equipment inspection

- During the official practice of the related category.
- On the shooting line.
- Only when athletes are not there, or when they are not present on time, teams will be announced in (English) by the DOS.
- All teams are to wear their team uniform and have their valid accreditation.
- Spare equipment must also be brought for inspection.
- The classification card must be presented during the inspection.



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- Team managers must check beforehand that the details of their athletes, such as name, date of birth, are correct.
- Inform the Judge if the details are not correct, and the Judge will inform the Results Team.
- Instructions to use the tablet scoring system will be provided if requested.

3.4 Athlete / Assistant / Spotter (back) Numbers

- Athlete numbers will be issued on the day of the qualification round (with the score cards) during warm up.
- Athlete numbers must be worn on the quiver or thigh, facing the waiting line while shooting.
- Assistants and spotters (for VI) must wear the same back number as the athlete they assist.

3.5 Qualification round

Refer to the online schedule.

Target assignment is available on ianseo.net.

3.6 Individual elimination round

- Target faces will NOT be changed after practice/warm up arrows. Please instruct your athletes and assistants to mark all arrow holes during practice/warm up.
- 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. Athletes should be alert and prepared for their matches to start slightly earlier than scheduled.
- In case of a bye, athletes may be allowed to shoot at their target, provided the competition schedule allows. 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 competition. Recurve and W1 athletes are permitted to shoot 3 sets of practice, and compound athletes are permitted to shoot 5 ends of practice, a designated number of arrows (3) for each set and each end for their bye.
- There will be no alternate shooting during the preliminary elimination rounds.

3.7 VI Category

- Two separate VI competitions will be held.
- The VI spotter must now sit 1m behind (WA Rules Book 5 – 35.2). A VI athlete is permitted to have a person acting as a spotter who must sit behind the athlete 1m behind the shooting line. The role of the spotter is to tell the athlete the position of the arrows in the target face and to inform them of any safety issues. The spotter shall not disturb the other athletes while giving coaching assistance. During individual matches, a VI athlete may have a spotter or a coach but not both.

3.8 Doubles and mixed teams elimination/finals rounds

- The doubles event is run in the same way as the mixed team event.
- During Eliminations, both teams will shoot at the same time (WA Rules Book 3).
- Finals will run with Alternate Shooting (WA Rules Book 3).
- Para athletes may stay on the shooting line throughout the match. They indicate that they have finished shooting by raising a hand above their head.

3.9 Appeal procedure

- An Appeal form is findable on the WAE website: <https://www.archeryeurope.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/JURY-OF-APPEAL-FORM.pdf> . In case of an intent to appeal or an actual appeal, the times indicated on the Appeal form must be considered.
- Appeal forms should be given to the Chair of the Tournament Judge Commission or her deputy.
- A fee of USD 50 (EUR 50) must be paid to the Chair of the Tournament Judge Commission for the appeal to be valid.



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- 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.
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4 Technical matters (WAE TD + CoJ)

4.1 Missing arrows

- All missing arrows on the practice or qualification field must be reported to the Judges and Field Crew immediately.

4.2 Timing control system

- The Damage Timing system will be used for timing on the main field.
- The Chronotir Timing system will be used for timing in the Visually Impaired field.
- The WA Timing system will be used for timing for final field.

4.3 Results system

- Qualification Round - Scoring will be completed by athletes or assistants. One athlete / assistant records, on the official paper-based score sheet, the scores of all other athletes on that target. At the same time, another athlete, on that same target, will enter all the scores of the athletes on that target into the scoring tablet. The other athletes should verify that all scores are written and entered correctly.
 - 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. Any score cards not signed or the score total is missing will result in disqualification. (WA Rulebook 3.12.4). NOTE: This is a rule change since this year!
 - Elimination Round – Scoring will be completed by athletes/assistants. One athlete/team records the arrow values of both athletes/teams on the paper score sheet. 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.
 - Scoring tablets will be used during the Qualification and Elimination Rounds, but not in the Finals. Mr. Alex Boggianto (mentor Ardingo Scarzella) is responsible for the event results.
 - IMPORTANT NOTE: There will be internet access in hotels. Because of this, we will not distribute any printed results or information.
 - According paper-free policy, there will not be any pigeon boxes for teams, and all information will be directly published on lanseo.net. We also use a Whatsapp group for team managers.
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5 Rules that apply in this event

5.1 Dress Regulations

- Athletes, officials and staff should wear the appropriate clothing having the correct appearance when on the field during competition. Open-toed shoes or camouflage clothing, accessories or archery equipment are not permitted.
- Athletes, team officials and technicians should wear their national team uniforms and sports shoes having the same appearance as per the division, following World Archery rules.
- During finals with TV coverage, undershirts, compression shirts, or sleeves may be used on condition that they match the team uniform colours or are white. Under shirts and sleeve may include design, names or markings but the predominant colour should be white or the colour of the uniform.
- We would like to remind all teams that athlete names and country names or codes are mandatory on the back of their national team uniform shirts for athletes participating in World Archery major events.

5.2 Accreditation card rules

Rule Book 2 – 3.7 Accreditation

- 3.7.1.1. Proof of accreditation shall be always carried on the competition area and shall be shown on request of appropriate officials.
- 3.7.1.2. Only holders of appropriate accreditation shall be allowed onto the relevant parts of the competition area.

Accreditation card:

- Athletes and team officials registered in WAREOS will be issued an accreditation and lanyard. Please ensure all details are correctly entered in WAREOS.
- Accreditation will be done by IANSEO and LOC using the WA database on Friday and Saturday. TMS will check the IANSEO designated tent accreditation cards for their team and will cooperate with IANSEO if there for example are data and/or photo missing and/or incorrect.

5.3 Wheelchair anti-rolling devices

- For wheelchairs, the number of anti-rolling devices (wedges) is now limited. If the ground is uneven, a block to level the chair is allowed.

A maximum of two anti-rolling devices (wedges) behind or in front of the rear wheel may be used only if there is a significant slope at the shooting line shooting position surface. At flat shooting positions (artificial or ground) surfaces, anti-rolling devices (wedges) in contact with the wheel(s) and the shooting position surface are not allowed. Chair-mounted wheel brake devices that do not contact the shooting position surface are permitted. The use of anti-tipping devices is allowed, provided they do not touch the ground.



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6 Logistical aspects (OC)

6.1 Transportation

Based on the WAREOS registration, LOC will arrange transportation for the teams flying from and to Roma Fiumicino International Airport.

Participants who fly to Roma Fiumicino International Airport will be met by either a LOC driver/volunteer immediately out of the baggage claim area, according to the flight itinerary and will be driven to the hotel/venue.

Each team manager will receive a specific personalised transport plan. If you need any updates, please refer to the transport manager. Please leave the dedicated bus for personnel who are unable and use the standard one if you don't need specific help.

Some shuttles will be available from and to hotels if needed.

6.2 Cafe

There is a commercial cafe inside the venue of Spinaceto (qualification and elimination round). Just in front of the lunch area. Opened from Monday.

6.3 Meals during the event

There will be a food court on the right of the field for consuming lunch.

Dinner will always be arranged in the hotel.

The cafeteria will be open during the tournament for refreshments.

Saturday lunch, for finals, LOC will collect the presence in both venues - Spinaceto and Caracalla- for a better preparation of meals.

6.3 Water

Fresh water and ice for physical necessities will be available all the time near target 1 in the qualification field.

6.4 Non-Smoking

This is a non-smoking event.

Smoking is not allowed inside public buildings or in all competition and training areas. This also includes electronic cigarettes and vapes, refer to Book 3, Art.10.8.

6.5 The environment

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

7 Medical-related issues

Medical emergency contact and location:

- IFO San Gallicano +390652661
- Via Fermo Ognibene, 23, 00144 Roma RM, Italia
- Police, Ambulance, Fire: National emergency number: 112



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8 Clean Sport

8.1 Anti-Doping control

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

9 Other matters of importance (WA TD)

9.1 Internet access and additional hotel charges

Internet access will be free of charge in the rooms and the lobby of official hotels.

All other hotel expenses including such as laundry and minibar, etc., will be covered by the participants themselves.

Internet access will be free of charge on the main field near lower numbers targets. Access to "archeryfreewifi" network with password "archery2026".

9.2 Research project

During the Championships a research project will be done. In lanseo you will find a consent form and the information letter. This was also sent by email. This project aims to investigate postural stability in Para Archery and its potential relationship with performance. In particular, the focus is on understanding how different standing or sitting aids may influence body stability during the shooting process, and whether this may play a role in competitive outcomes at national and international levels.

9.3 Whatsapp group Team Managers

When you are not in the group yet, please follow this link to be added in the Whatsapp group:
<https://chat.whatsapp.com/GETvnV08DSJLrIC5iK29SW>

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See website World Archery Europe.