

Wars of the Roses Federation

HEALTH AND SAFETY RULES

Archery (hand and cross bows):

It is the responsibility of all participating archers and crossbowmen to ensure that only blunt arrows and bolts are used.

All arrows and bolts will be inspected before a battle by the hosting group.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ARE SHARPS TO HAVE RUBBER BLUNTS PUSHED ONTO THEIR TIPS IN AN ATTEMPT TO MAKE THEM SAFE.

THIS IS ABSOLUTELY FORBIDDEN.

Each archer and crossbowman shall examine for safety each projectile before they loose it.

Arrows and bolts will be loosed only at the command of captains of archery. The opposing captains will endeavor to swap volleys.

No arrow bolt shall be loosed below an angle of 45 degrees to the horizontal unless by prior arrangement and under the direction of the archery captains.

Blunt standard to be used on the field and in displays¹

The only Wars of the Roses Federation standard that can be accepted is the following 4” full feathered blunt (diagram of which on the next page) to be adopted over a period of time to allow those groups with other variants time to replace.

Coloured fletching on blunts is to be used for a dual purpose, to show whose they are and what type of arrow. There should be preferably three coloured flights (not white or grey). Groups will have identifying colourings and markings on the barrel of the shaft to identify their arrows and this will be recorded in an arrow “spotters guide” database. An archer coordinator/captain will be appointed for events and these appointed archery captain(s) will have the final say on whether any arrows are taken onto the field or not. Arrows will be inspected before every display e.g

¹ Proposal 5:1 AGM 25 November 2007 ratified

before firepower and before the battle on each day of an event to ensure they are fit for purpose.

WOTR FEDERATION - ACCEPTABLE BLUNT FLIGHT DIMENSIONS

