

# **3D Archery Association of Australia Inc**



## **VISITOR, PAST MEMBER and ASSOCIATION CROSS PARTICIPATION POLICY**

Effective from 28/5/2022

## PREFACE

It gives me great pleasure to introduce you to 3D Archery Association of Australia **Visitor and Association Cross Participation Policy**.

The 3D Archery Association of Australia Inc (3DAAA) is fast becoming one of the country's most professional archery sporting organisations. This is an exciting and challenging time for the organisation as we position ourselves towards delivering professional policies and improved services that offer the athlete more opportunities within 3D archery.

The **Visitor and Association Cross Participation Policy** is another of 3DAAA's policies developed to protect the organisation and the members while enhancing the Association's ability to manage development into the future. I am confident that with further policy developments and relationships with other stakeholders, that 3DAAA will continue to develop strong sporting culture aimed at 3D archery.

Yours in archery,

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## 1. Authority

This Policy is issued by the President under Rule 2 (s) of the Constitution of 3D Archery Association Australia's (3DAAA) Version 3 dated 2018.

## 2. Sunset clause

Unless reviewed or revoked, this Policy will remain effective until 30 December 2027.

## 3. Background

3D Archery Association of Australia Inc. (3DAAA) has for some time had a policy on visitors although it has not been formally recognised in any form of documentation. During 2009 3DAAA signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Australian Bowhunters Association (ABA) with a view to working co-operatively together for the betterment of both Associations whilst maintaining their individual autonomy.

As news of this MOU spread and following a number of incidents throughout Australia associated with the inappropriate use of archery equipment, and a report on archery as a continued government funded Olympic sport, ABA and 3DAAA were approached by Archery Australia (AA) with a view to widening the agreement to form a peak body to take on an advocacy and member protection role.

During the 2010 Australian Archery Hall of Fame Archery Expo, a meeting of the Executives of ABA and 3DAAA along with the Board of Archery Australia confirmed their individual Association's commitment towards the formulation of the Peak Body.

As an immediate outcome of the meeting, it was agreed that cross participation between the Associations members could occur with some limitations on winning awards and subject to each Associations Policy on the matter.

2012 Archery Alliance of Australia was formed.

## 4. Visitors and Past Members

A visitor is defined as any competitor who attends a 3DAAA Sanctioned Event, Special Event or Club Shoot who is not currently a financial member of 3DAAA.

A past member is any competitor who is not a current financial member of 3DAAA but has been in the past.

The manner in which these competitors are to be managed depends upon their membership status.

## 5. Non ABA or AA Members.

Visitors, who cannot produce evidence of ABA or AA membership, can still participate in sanctioned or special events and clubs shoots however the Association has defined that this invitation will only be extended to 3 visits in total. The Committee believes that it is not unreasonable to expect a person to have decided if they like the game enough to join after 3 visits.

For sanctioned and special events, the Association will provide a "Non-Member Sign On" sheet which must be completed by each visitor and returned to the Association at the completion of the event. Parents must "sign in" any person under the age of 18 years of age.

It is the club's responsibility to manage visitor attendance under this policy at club events. If the Association becomes aware of a club flagrantly disregarding visitor attendance under this Policy, it may consider the club's action as contravening the conditions of affiliation and request the club show cause why its affiliation should not be terminated immediately.

## **6. Past members of 3DAAA.**

Non-financial past members can compete at sanctioned and special events however they are precluded from attending any club events whatsoever. The committee believes that as this is an introductory invitation, their prior membership of the Association would have exposed them to the game and it is not unreasonable that they re-join should they wish to participate again.

## **7. Members of Archery Australia and the Australian Bowhunters Association.**

Visitors to Sanctioned and Special Events, who can provide evidence of current membership of either Association, can participate in any sanctioned or special event without restriction on the number of times they participate.

## **8. Eligible Events**

This Policy applies to all tournaments listed in the Association's published Sanctioned Calendar.

## **9. Competition Status**

All visitors, irrespective of whether they are past members or members of ABA or AA or not, must compete in the NCC division and under this Policy are in-eligible to win any awards.

## **10. Compliance with Registration Processes**

Members of the three Associations must abide by the tournament registration process in order to be eligible to compete. The decision to allow cross participation does not give any member the right to turn up at an event and be allowed to compete without meeting fully, the terms of the registration process.

3DAAA members should be aware that a similar requirement exists in the other Association's Policies and that the majority of their events require pre-registration.

## **11. Shoot groups**

Because the Association cannot guarantee the visitor's or past member's competency with a bow, nor an understanding of the rules and safety requirements, visitors are required to compete in a group with at least one current association member present.

Whilst it is accepted that members of ABA and AA would be competent with a bow, their lack of understanding of our rules safety requirements and protocols also require them to compete in a group containing at least one current 3DAAA member.

## **12. Responsibilities under this Policy**

3DAAA and the affiliated clubs must take reasonable steps to ensure that the implementation, compliance and enforcement of this policy is affected.

**13. The National Management Committee must:**

- Adopt and comply with this Policy.
- Recognise and enforce any penalty imposed under this Policy.
- Publish, distribute and promote this Policy (and any amendments made to it from time to time) to the members in a practical manner and make a copy of this Policy publicly available.
- Use any forms, contracts or clauses prescribed or required by the Policy, in order to give effect to this Policy.

**14. Affiliated Club Management Committees must, as a condition of their Affiliation:**

- Adopt and comply with this Policy.
- Promote this Policy (and any amendments made to it from time to time) to their members in any manner required by 3DAAA.
- Use any forms, contracts or clauses prescribed or required by the Policy, in order to give effect to this Policy in such documents as contracts.
- Report to the National Management Committee, any breaches of the Policy.