



# DEVIZES BOWMEN

## Restricted shooting at Green Lane

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We now have the green light to start shooting at our home at Green Lane. However, the Government and Archery GB have strict regulations about how we are to do this. Following are the specific rules we are putting in place that must be followed. In the interests of protecting everybody, please read it all before attempting to use the facilities.

The government advice can be read at <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>. AGB guidance should be published shortly, but the return-to-shooting webinar can be watched at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UPZoYe\\_8hPA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UPZoYe_8hPA)

The main differences from our last restricted shooting are:

- The space between targets can be reduced from 5 metres to 3.6 metres, meaning we can have another target on the range.
- Two people from the same household *or from different households* can share a target.

The things that will remain the same are:

- All archers will need to book in before attending.
- All archers must respect the two-metre separation at all times – both on the shooting line and when not shooting. The ‘rule of six’ remains in operation when not shooting.
- Targets should not be moved and you should bring your own target face and pins to minimise reasons to enter the containers. Do not touch the club, or anyone else’s kit.
- For now, we are keeping the numbers to six people per session.

### Number of participants

Under the latest rules, organised sport can operate with more than the six people allowed under the ‘rule of six’ and this includes archery. However, AGB are indicating that the rule of six applies to all archers when not actively shooting. To ease our way into this and to try to avoid confusion around the rules, we are initially keeping the six-person limit per session. Note that we may still have more than six persons present when parents/guardians are accompanying juniors, so please ensure you keep to the ‘rule of six’ as you would anywhere else.

There is to be no putting up and taking down of targets, so we will need to leave some targets out permanently. These will need to be the foam targets as they are weatherproof and will be set at fixed distances and should not be moved. This means initially we will be restricted to seven targets only. We hope that with target sharing, some of the contention for the more popular distances will be eased.

- **Maximum of two people on one target – from the same or different households**
- **Six people/households per session only. Rule of six applies**
- **No spectators or visitors allowed (although parents/guardians are required)**
- **Obviously, don’t come if you have any symptoms or are particularly vulnerable**



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### Sessions and booking

Because we need to capture attendance for track and trace and numbers of places are limited (although more than the previous restricted shooting), we will run multiple sessions and you will need to book in advance.

There must be at least 2 people for any session to go ahead. **If you book to shoot one of the sessions, you must turn up at the start of the session, it's not fair to book and then turn up an hour into the session.** You must book to shoot.

Chris and Nick will do what they can to keep the booking fair. Only book what you are going to actually use and try to vary the distances you shoot to give others a chance. Depending on demand, we may change the layout of bosses.

- **The booking initially will be by contacting Chris Bartlett or Nick Hunt. Later it may be automated on-line.**
- **There must be at least two archers present to shoot for a session to go ahead**
- **You must turn up at the start time of the session booked**
- **Do not turn up 'on spec' without booking. If you don't book, you are in breach of the track and trace rules.**

### Targets

The targets will remain set up on the range and will be set up one each at 20,30,40,50,60,80 and 100 yards. There will be one shooting line this time. As demand increases, we will review the distances and change as appropriate.

The targets will remain set up on the range. You will use your own target pins to put up your own target face. When you have finished shooting, you must remove your target and your pins and take them away with you. We will give you a target face and pins on your first session.

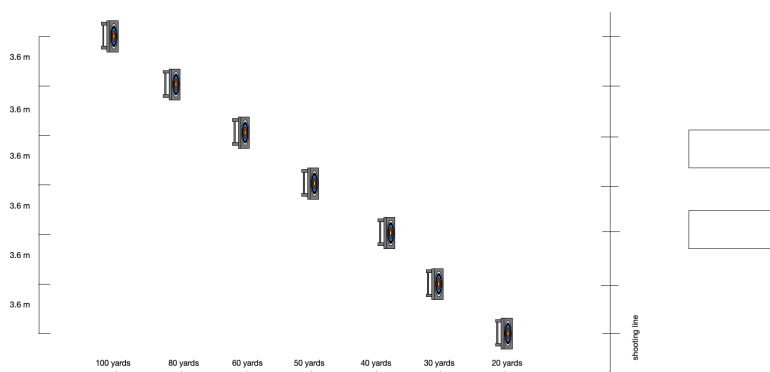
- **You must not set up your own target from the container – only use the provided targets already set up on the range**
- **You must not move the targets – leave them where they are and shoot the set distances**
- **Put your own target face on the boss when you arrive with your own provided pins and remove it and take it away when you are done.**
- **If you are sharing a target agree who's target face you are going to use. Remember to take your target face with you and don't simply take a new or used one from the container each time.**
- **If you are sharing, be respectful of the 2-metre distance when walking to and from the target and collecting arrows.**



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## Equipment and hygiene

Please only open the 'new' container and when absolutely necessary, although you may need to open it to get tools for removing arrows and possibly the metal detector. If you use the detector or the tools, please wipe them down before putting them away. There will be a spray and some cloths to use on the locks on the container, the tools and the gate lock. Nice though it is, please don't share food or drinks.

- **Minimise access to the equipment container**
- **Wipe down the tools or detector if you use them. Leave them in the box in the door**
- **Touch only your own equipment or the equipment loaned to you from the club**

## Beginners

We appreciate that because of the timing of the lockdown, we have several beginners who have limited outdoors shooting experience. Don't worry – you are more than welcome! We do ask that for your first session you go with one of the coaches so they can go through things with you.

If you are still using a club bow, you should hold on to it for the moment and not lend it to anyone else to use. You should also pick up a set of arrows to hold onto for the moment – do not leave them in the container. **Note that you must not shoot them anywhere other than the sessions at Green Lane.**

- **Make sure your first shoot at Green Lane is with one of the club coaches (Martin, Rob or Chris).**
- **Bring your own equipment or use the club bow if you still have one. You will be loaned a set of arrows and you must use only those arrows, take them away with you and never shoot them anywhere else.**



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### Booking & Coaching

For now, if you want to book to shoot at one of the sessions or discuss adding an extra session you can review the schedule on the website:

[http://www.devizes-bowmen.co.uk/?page\\_id=684](http://www.devizes-bowmen.co.uk/?page_id=684)

you will need to log-in using the 'member' account to see the schedule.

To book, send a message to Nick or Chris on the whatsapp group, or email Chris at [chris@wilcot.org](mailto:chris@wilcot.org)

If you want coaching, talk to Martin, Chris or Rob ([coach@devizes-bowmen.co.uk](mailto:coach@devizes-bowmen.co.uk)) and we can organise a suitable time.