



# Bristol Bowmen and Golden Phoenix Archers



Keynsham Rugby Football Club, Crown Field, Bristol Road,  
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## Beginner's Enrolment form

To make archery a safe and enjoyable experience for all, we expect everyone to follow the **safety** and **etiquette** rules.

### Safety

- No shouting, except to warn of danger.
- If you see anyone, or anything in a dangerous position, shout "Fast".
- No whistling. A whistle is used for safety commands and to whistle could be dangerous.
- Always carry arrows point downwards.
- Never run on the range, or with arrows in your hand.
- Never point an arrow at another person or yourself, even if it is not in the bow.
- Never play around with arrows. **They can kill!**
- Never put an arrow in your bow until you are on the shooting line.
- Never release a bow from full draw without an arrow in place as this can cause the bow to break.
- Never cross the waiting line until it is your turn to shoot, unless you have the advance permission of the Target Captain. (Disabled archers may request this.)
- In front of the waiting line, there is to be **no** running, loud talking or 'messaging around'.

### At the shooting line

- Never place an arrow in your bow until you hear a **single** whistle.
- Never, under any circumstances, cross the shooting line until the whistle sounds **twice** or the Target Captain says "Collect your Arrows".
- On hearing "Fast", immediately stop shooting and return any arrows to your quiver. If you have your bow drawn, you must lower it, **do not** release the arrow.
- Once you have an arrow in your bow, keep it facing towards the target at all times.
- Never turn round with an arrow in your bow.
- Leave the shooting line immediately you have shot your arrows, unless to keep company with another archer still shooting.
- Do not leave equipment on the shooting line without the advance permission of the Target Captain. (Disabled archers may request this.)
- All equipment must be returned to behind the waiting line. (See also previous point.)

### Etiquette

Taken from the GNAS Rules of Shooting:

A good archer:

- Does not talk in a loud voice whilst others are shooting.
- Does not talk to another competitor who obviously prefers to be silent.
- Does not make any exclamation on the shooting line that might disconcert a neighbour in the act of shooting.
- Does not go behind the target to retrieve his arrows before his score has been recorded.
- Does not walk up and down the shooting line comparing scores.
- Does not touch anyone else's equipment without permission.
- Does not leave litter.
- When calling scores does so in groups of three, for example '7-7-5' pause '5-5-3'.
- If he breaks another's arrow through his own carelessness, pays for it in cash on the spot.
- Thanks the Target Captain at the end of each round for work on his behalf.

**Please complete and return to club secretary by the beginning of the first session.**

NB Young people below the age of 18 must get a parent/guardian to complete the form on their behalf.

Name of person taking part .....

Address (including postcode) .....

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Telephone – Home ..... Mobile .....

Email (must be that of an adult) .....

Date of birth (if under 18) .....

Gender – Male/Female\*

Emergency contact details – Name ..... Phone .....

Medical information (will be treated in strict confidence):

Do you have any medical conditions that we should know about and/or consider yourself disabled? Yes/No\*

If 'yes', please give the name of the condition and/or a brief description .....

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I have read, understood and accept the rules and conditions as described and agree that I/my child\* will abide by them. Failure to do so could result in being asked to leave the premises immediately and any monies already paid being forfeit.

Signed ..... Date .....

Print name .....

\* Delete as applicable