



Tertiary League Postal Shoot Rules

Introduction

Since 2024, Archery New Zealand (ANZ) has sanctioned a postal event for tertiary-level students. The purpose of this event is to build on the school's programs throughout the country and create a competition that moves archers from the Youth format to the Adult format. The program is designed to give competent archers a full-distance league to compete in, whilst also allowing newer archers to work towards their outdoor tournament distances.

Definition of a Tertiary Institution

For this competition, a tertiary institute is defined as one that is funded through the [Tertiary Education Commission](#). This shall include [Universities](#), [Institutes of Technology](#), [Polytechnics](#) and [Industry Training Organisations](#), [Wānanga](#), government training establishments, and private training establishments such as those covered by [Independent Tertiary Education NZ \(ITENZ\)](#) and [Quality Tertiary Institutions \(QTI\)](#).

Rules and Regulations

Four postal shoots shall be run per year, one in each term. Given that each tertiary institute has different term dates, the dates for each 'term' with respect to this postal league have been published on the schedule.

Current students of any New Zealand tertiary institute may compete, in the divisions of Novice (up to one year of archery), Development (two to three years of archery experience) and Open.

The round may be shot as many times as desired during the allotted time frame. The highest score per archer shall be submitted by the tertiary student coordinator by the indicated date, using the results template which will be supplied.



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There are three bow divisions: Barebow/Longbow, Recurve and Compound.

Barebow consists of Recurve or Genesis bows with no tape or pin sights, no clickers, competition sights or stabilisers.

Longbow consists of wooden longbow or flatbow bows with no tape or pin sights, no clickers, competition sights, pressure buttons or stabilisers. Non-wooden arrows may be used.

Recurve consists of Recurve bows with either simple tape & pin sights or competition sights and stabilisers.

Compound equipment shall be as per World Archery rules. Genesis bows with sights are included in this category.

Archers may compete individually in any division equal to or above their current archery level:

- Novice division archers must be in their first year of archery;
- Development division archers step up from Novice, being in their second or third year of archery;
- Open division is for the more competent archers.

Scoring must be undertaken on official scoresheets (available on the website as a download).

All scoresheets must be fully completed and signed before scores are submitted to their coordinator.

In the event of ties, the archer with the most combined 10s and Xs is the winner. If still a tie, the archer with the most Xs is the winner. If both have the same number of Xs, the result shall be a tie.

In order to count, the scoresheet must be signed by another archer as a witness.

Postal Round Description

- The shoot consists of 36 arrows at the distance specified in the league schedule. This can be shot with 6 arrows per end, with one sighting end, or 3 arrows per end, with two sighting ends.
- The target face for each bow type is given in the schedule and can change from one term to the next.
- All rounds are 10-zone scoring.
- There is no time limit.
- Other than the rules stated above, WA rules shall apply.



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Results and Awards

Results shall be published at the end of each term.

Points will be awarded to each of the top three place getters in each division, so that 1st place = 10 points, 2nd place = 7 points and 3rd place = 5 points. In addition, archers can earn 1 point for achieving a pinscore for that round. Pinscores are published on the shooting schedule. These points shall be accumulated and attributed to that archer's tertiary institute. A league table of tertiary institutes shall be kept across the year, with term four providing the final points for that year and an overall winning institute recognised.

Entries

Entries from each club or tertiary institute should be collated and submitted to the Tertiary League Coordinator (tertiary@archery.org.nz) no later than the return date listed in the table below.

2026 Shooting Schedule Dates

2026	Dates	Results submitted by:
Term One	16 February – 12 April	19 April 2026
Term Two	13 April – 5 July	12 July 2026
Term Three	6 July – 6 September	13 September 2026
Term Four	7 September – 29 November	6 December 2026



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