



## **BULLSEYE ARCHERY CAN HELP YOU CHOOSE YOUR EQUIPMENT!**

**BEGINNER ARCHERY** - Shooting any recurve, longbow or a compound Genesis bow, no more than 25 lbs pull weight. Arrows can be any type, sized to fit archer or longer than needed, with field points. The beginner archer should sign up to take archery lessons at a club or shop range.

**TARGET ARCHERY** – Using *any* bow that shoots any type arrow with field points onto designated targets at a properly set up indoor or outdoor range.

**BOWHUNTING** – Hunting with any type of bow and arrows with some type of broadhead point and of a suitable strength for the draw weight of the bow. Recurve or longbows need to be a minimum of 45 lbs pull weight. Compound bows can be less draw weight, especially if hunting smaller game. The archer needs to be sure it is legal to hunt in the chosen area, at the targeted animal and time of year. Visit the California Department of Fish and Wildlife for Bow Hunting Classes and regulations near you.

**3D ARCHERY** – Shooting with any bow style and arrows with field points at 3D targets, which are usually molded animals that one might find when bowhunting. Targets may also be designed to move or fly into the air. Choose arrows, fletches and points that work best for 3D.

**COMPOUND ARCHERY** – Using a compound bow with string and cables attached to cams. Most archers shoot compound bows with a mechanical release, however they can set up for finger release of arrows. The archer can also choose from a variety of arrow rests, sights or scopes, peep sights, dampeners and stabilizer set ups to improve accuracy. Advantages to compound bows: Having a let off to be able to shoot at higher pull weights, faster arrow speeds, and more accuracy is possible with less experience.



**OLYMPIC ARCHERY** – To reach the highest goals in competitive archery one should choose this style, which starts with a takedown recurve bow, usually with a metal riser and high quality composite limbs. We commonly refer to this style as FITA (from the French *Fédération Internationale de Tir à l'Arc*). Today it is called Freestyle Limited Recurve class (FSLR) by the National Field Archery Association (NFAA) and World Archery Federation. Archers are allowed to use a recurve bow with any stabilizer, sight set up and clickers. They use tabs for finger release, but no release aids.

**TRADITIONAL RECURVE OR LONGBOW** - Can be made of any materials, have a simple arrow rest, use finger release only and may include a stabilizer up to 12" but no sight, level or pulleys with wheels.

**PRIMITIVE LONGBOW** – Bow made of all natural materials, the string does not touch the bow limbs, uses finger release only and must be shot with wooden arrows.

**CROSSBOW** – Many types designed for recreation or hunting. Recurve or compound styles are available and pull weights go up to 180 lbs or more. Small versions shoot like a pistol at 80 lbs pull weight and are not used for hunting. The full size models can be fitted with broadheads for hunting. The larger and more powerful the model being used, the bigger the game to hunt. For regulations on cross bow hunting be sure to visit the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. You cannot shoot a crossbow at most club or store ranges.