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**Indoor Range
Course Approval Inspection**

Club Name _____

Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Club Secretary _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Secretary Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

New Range? Yes ___ No ___ Existing Range? Yes ___ No ___ Number of Target Lanes _____

Inspected by (Print name): _____

Inspectors Address _____ City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Signature/Date _____

Directions to the range from nearest town _____

Inspection Forms shall be made out in Triplicate (copies are ok). Keep one copy for your records. Mail the original and one other copy to the VBA Field V.P. (Address at top of page). There is no VBA charge for inspections. Inspector may be paid for his expenses if arranged and agreed on by all parties.

Course Approval will expire FIVE years from the date of inspection. If any changes are made to the course, a new inspection must be made with a new Course Approval Inspection Form.

The above named indoor facility has been inspected by me or my appointee and has been found to meet all VBA state requirements and is chartered with the VBA. I hereby recognize it as an official VBA approved Indoor Range.

Field Vice-President _____ Signature/Date _____

INDOOR RANGE REQUIREMENTS

General

All VBA Indoor Championships must be conducted on a VBA inspected approved indoor range. Inspection for an indoor range is effective for FIVE years. Indoor ranges shall be inspected by the Field V.P. or his/her

appointee. Range requirements are established in order to insure minimum safety standards and shooting conditions. The requirements below are applicable to club indoor facilities as well as commercial ranges.

INSPECTOR'S APPROVAL

DATE

SAFETY REQUIREMENTS:

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| A. All pillars or structural parts of the building, including automatic equipment which in the eyes of the inspector would present an undue hazard shall be properly protected so as not to damage arrows and to prevent rebound to the shooting lines. | YES | NO |
| B. The area behind the target butt shall be protected so as not to damage overshot or side shot arrows. The backstop material shall extend to a minimum height of 8 feet from the floor. | YES | NO |
| C. Bow racks and other accessories shall be of a design and position so as not to create a hazard to either equipment or personnel. | YES | NO |
| D. Walk-up ranges shall have a sign posted stating that no one shall advance to the targets until an appropriate signal is given. | YES | NO |

STANDARDS:

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| A. Target butts may be made of straw, excelsior or any other material which in the eyes of the inspector would not be damaging to the arrows yet provide suitable stoppage. | YES | NO |
| B. Butts shall not be made of material which in a short time will allow the passage of arrows. | YES | NO |
| C. At any time butts begin to allow pass-through arrows, the condition shall be corrected at once. | YES | NO |
| D. Each butt shall be large enough to carry the needed target faces for the round being shot. Each shall have sufficient backing without overlapping one another. The minimum size shall be 40" square and 48" in diameter. A deviation in minimum size will be permitted in those club-type operations where each archer is assigned his own butt providing it is large enough to fully support a 40cm target face. | YES | NO |
| E. There shall be at least one face (or set) on the butt for each archer shooting on that lane. | YES | NO |
| F. The distance from the floor to the bottom of the butt shall be 16" minimum. | YES | NO |
| G. Ceiling to the floor distance shall be a minimum of 8'-6". Each lane shall be 24" minimum. | YES | NO |
| H. Distance verified to be correct within plus or minus 3 " | YES | NO |

LIGHTING:

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| A. The illumination on the targets shall be situated and placed so as not to allow the light rays to be directed toward the shooting lane. At no time will direct light rays be allowed to be in the view of the archers so as to disturb his/her shooting. | YES | NO |
| B. The acceptable amount of light on the target has been established at 30 foot candles. Indoor ranges should maintain 30 foot candle lighting illumination. | YES | NO |

The Field V.P. may allow deviations to certain rules listed herein except those listed under safety on the recommendations of the inspector. Any such deviation shall be stated on the approval certificate on display.

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