

# Cloth of Gold Special Club Rules

Field Archery Club

The club is run according to the rules of the NFAS.

## 1. Access

The wood at Gaddesden Estate is available for use on Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays from dawn to dusk. If access is required during the week for non-shooting purposes, or in Emergency, please phone Mick Ginger, the Head Gamekeeper on his mobile **078 5090 7367**. *Please enter this number into your mobile phone.*

Our entrance is the road to the stables and cricket club, and we park next to the hedge in front of the cricket ground. Entrance to our wood is on the right of the road to the stables. The practice butts will be on your left as you go in.

Each parked car must display the club member's ID, and all visitors must show that they are attending the club.

Please respect the estate staff and be quiet near the Estate Office where we have our storage.

The rope boundary by the bridle path is the end of our territory.

## 2. Visitors

Visitors may be admitted to the club's shooting ground to shoot provided that prior notice of attendance is given to an officer of the club. The visitor is to be accompanied by a club member who will advise on their conduct, explain the Rules of Shooting and also explain the club's special rules.

Such visitors may shoot upon payment of:

£2 per day Adults  
£1 per day under 16

No member under the age of 18 years is permitted to bring a visitor to the woods to shoot.

## 3. Wildlife and environment

Any club member caught shooting at, harming or harassing any of the wildlife will have their membership terminated and any visitor will be refused membership and visitor rights.

Be aware that some parts of the course contain bumble bees which nest in the ground.

The landlord cares about his trees. Nails or staples must not be used in trees, and bark must not be damaged when removing arrows.

#### **4. Club Championships or Special Events**

In order to preserve the spirit of the above events, only scores shot on the day and in company with other competitors will be accepted for awards. Shooting the course or part of it before the day will result in disqualification.

#### **5. Lapsed Membership**

A lapsed member is to be known as a member who does not rejoin the club in the club's next year after expiry of their current membership, but wishes to join in a year following. This member will be treated as a new member and will have to complete an application form, and follow the procedures as for a new member.

#### **6. Minimum Age for Membership**

For reasons of safety the minimum age for membership to the Cloth of Gold will be 16 years.

A visitor to the wood under the age of 16 years is to be one who attends for the clubs' OFFICIAL OPEN SHOOT ONLY and must have an NFAS membership card.

#### **7. Drinking/Smoking**

No alcohol or controlled substances are to be consumed at the wood by any club member or visitor. Consumption of the above outside of the club's premises, and then attending to shoot, is also forbidden.

No smoking is allowed in the wood. Sand buckets are provided at the entrance for cigarette butts.

Contravention of these rules will result in the offender being escorted from the wood. If this rule is disregarded a second time, in the case of a club member, their club membership will be terminated.