

## Siege Marshal

The Society Earl Marshal has published changes to the Society Marshal's Handbook and the Society Siege Engine Handbook. They can be viewed at <http://www.sca.org/officers/marshal/ann.html>. The changes to the Siege Engine Handbook are listed below.

### ***Changes to the Siege Engine Handbook - November 5, 2011:***

Change page 8, III. Siege Ammunition, B.

#### OLD VERSION OF RULE:

B. Siege Class Munitions (1-pound foam-filled rocks, 4-tennis-ball rocks, and 48-inch ballista bolts) must be colored with yellow tape in the following manners to denote them as Siege Class Munitions. Rocks, both 1-pound foam and 4-tennis-ball, must have at least 50% of their surfaces covered with yellow tape. Ballista bolts made with Siloflex that is not yellow in color must have their shafts and striking surfaces covered completely with yellow tape. These munitions may not be fired from small arms or thrown by hand.

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B. Siege Class Munitions (1-pound foam-filled rocks, 4-tennis-ball rocks, and 48-inch ballista bolts) must be colored with yellow tape in the following manners to denote them as Siege Class Munitions. Rocks, both 1-pound foam and 4-tennis-ball, must have at least 50% of their surfaces covered with yellow tape. Ballista bolts made with Siloflex that is not yellow in color must have the entire first 12" (30 cm) and the last 12" (30 cm) of their shafts and striking surfaces covered completely with yellow tape. These munitions may not be fired from small arms or thrown by hand.

Change page 9, III. Siege Ammunition, E.2

#### OLD VERSION OF RULE:

2. Spliced golf tube javelins. Splices must be secured with cord and/or filament tape. Striking tips may be either a single tennis ball, tied on and taped with filament and duct tape, or a thrusting tip with a minimum of 3 inches of foam between the striking surface and the end of the javelin and a minimum diameter of 2. inches. It must have at least 1 inch of progressive give and cannot bottom on the tube. Additionally, the end of the tube must be capped with a minimum of 1/8-inch heavy leather or a 35mm film container securely held in place with

filament tape. The tubes may be reinforced with medium-density foam, such as pipe insulation, in order to prevent crush damage. Film canisters, PVC rings (no more than 2 inches long), and similar non-brittle, nonmetallic, lightweight reinforcements (securely attached) may be used at the butt end of the javelin. Non-rigid fletching may be used. Javelins will be at least 48 inches and clearly marked with yellow tape for the length of the shaft.

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