

6mm Round Shields

2025 Master at Arms Regulations Appendix

During the 2025 season a trial was conducted to assess the viability of round shields of a thickness of 6mm within Regia Anglorum's combat system.

Following the conclusion of the trial, the Master at Arms, Military Training Officer, and Authenticity Officer are sufficiently satisfied to allow their use within the society, providing that the following conditions are met:

- The construction of all such shields meet all other requirement set out on the latest version of the Master at Arms Regulations (section 9.4.1)
- Any shield of 6mm thickness must be constructed with a double-layered facing on the front (the side normally presented to an opponent), and a single-layered facing on the rear.
- Handles should span the full width of the board

6mm shields are inherently less durable than those constructed to the minimum (8mm) thickness required in the body of the Master at Arms Regulations, and therefore may be more prone to damage if used in a similar manner. It is therefore recommended that:

- Less experienced combatants (those of Freeman rank) maintain the 8mm minimum thickness for round shields.
- Anyone wishing to construct, or commission a 6mm shield for use within Regia Anglorum consult a member of the National Training Team (or a combatant experienced in their use) to educate themselves on appropriate technique.

Please note: this amendment applies to round shields only. Any other type of shield currently allowable under the Master at Arms Regulations remains unaffected, and must follow all requirements set out in the body of that document.

This ruling will be kept under continuous review, and may be withdrawn, without notice, at any time.

The Master at Arms