

Level C: Keeping Fit (Grades 9 -12): Exhibit one of the following:

1. A poster on a topic covered in Keeping Fit: Fitness Activities for Youth
2. A report on three activities you completed in the 4-H manual
3. An action demonstration related to a topic covered in Level C



Shooting Sports

Judging - Thursday, July 2, at 6pm at the Fairgrounds; Home and Family Arts Building.

Disciplines include Archery, Pistol, Rifle, Muzzleloader, Shotgun, and Outdoor Skills

1 Champion from each level to State Fair



For more information on the Shooting Sports project contact Tammy Wise at tdwise76@yahoo.com or Mark Demske at mldemske@frontier.com.

****Please also refer to the Policies and Procedures beginning on page 2 and the General Project Rules on page 20.***

Create an exhibit that shows the public what you learned in shooting sports education this year. Title your exhibit with one of the following: archery, outdoor skills, muzzleloading, pistol, rifle, shotgun or shooting sports. You can use a subtitle, if you wish.

Important Notes:

- Firearms or ready to shoot bows are not allowed to be exhibited. Unstrung bows are permissible.
- Live ammunition is not allowed to be exhibited (no powder or primer)
- Any bladed object must be displayed in a locked, secured or sealed display case.
- Displays involving firearms or bows may be exhibited as a photographic display on a poster or in a notebook following grade level guidelines.

First time participants must take the beginner class unless they have a Hunter's Education Card. The beginner class consists of two meetings per discipline with safety instruction. There will be no exceptions at this rule. Those youth with a valid Indiana Hunter Education Card, to show firearm safety knowledge, may participate at another level provided they show basic proficiency in their discipline at a special test session prior to the beginning of the active program for the year.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Each participant in the Kosciusko County 4-H Shooting Sports Program is expected to complete each of the following within each program year of his/her involvement.

- Learn the rules of safe and responsible firearms and/or archery equipment use.
- Projects involving firearms, bows, arrows or ammunition may be exhibited as a photographic display on a poster or in a notebook following grade level guidelines.
- Any project not meeting guideline requirements will receive a participation ribbon. No exceptions will be made.
- Notebooks must include detailed information about how the project was completed with photographs documenting the work. Photographs are encouraged as they help the judges see the progress and the finished product. The notebook must include research, planning, costs, and an explanation of how the final project will be used.
- Display boxes (shadow box) must be 18 x 24 inches, no more than 3 inches deep, and displayed horizontally.
- Handmade items must include information explaining how the project was made and its intended use.
- An explanation of what was done includes explaining what you did, your research, planning, costs, and how you will use the finished product.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS BY LEVEL

Additional specific requirements and guidelines are listed for the various levels of the project. Note that the requirements “include both activities and exhibits.” In addition, the exhibit category includes a variety of options.

LEVEL 1 – Grades 3-5

Completion Requirements Activities

1. Completion of all general requirements.
2. Complete the basic safety and marksmanship program and/or learn the safety rules in at least one discipline (archery, black powder, pistol, rifle or shotgun).

Exhibit: Prepare a poster (following general poster rules) showing what you learned this year. Acceptable themes include but are not limited to:

- a. Shooting safety,
- b. Wildlife management or natural history
- c. Proper shooting technique in a discipline
- d. A shooting game you tried this year or
- e. Any subject pertaining to Outdoor Skills.

LEVEL 2 – Grades 6-8

Completion Requirements Activities

1. Completion of all general requirements.
2. Complete the basic safety and marksmanship program and learn the safety rules in at least one discipline (archery, black powder, pistol, rifle or shotgun).

Exhibit-Choose option 1, 2 or 3 to complete as your exhibit.

Exhibits must meet the size restrictions or be presented in a notebook.

1. Prepare a poster (following general poster rules) showing what you learned this year. Acceptable topics include but are not limited to:
 - a. Shooting safety,
 - b. Wildlife management or natural history,
 - c. Proper shooting technique in a discipline
 - d. A shooting game you tried this year or
 - e. Any subject pertaining to Outdoor Skills.
2. Exhibit a small project or model no larger than 18 x 18 x 36 inches. You must include a notebook with detailed information about how the project was completed and documenting the work. Photographs are encouraged as they help the judges see the progress and the finished product. The notebook must include research, planning, costs, and an explanation of how the final project will be used.
 - a. If you choose to make a small project, it is recommended that it be displayed in a shadow box no bigger than 18 x 18 x 36 inches.
3. Display a notebook showing how a shooting sports item was made or a project completed.

LEVEL 3 – Grades 9-12

Completion Requirements Activities

1. Completion of all general requirements.
2. Make at least one functional item that will support your shooting, hunting or wildlife activities.
3. Make a public presentation, club demonstration or organize a public event related to shooting sports or one of its specific disciplines.

Exhibit: Choose option 1, 2, or 3 to complete your exhibit

You may display a firearm or bow at the fair if it is handmade or restored. It must be disassembled/unstrung in a locked shadow box. There must be a notebook with a photo log and detailed description of the steps taken to complete the project. It must include time and cost involved. You must notify a discipline instructor of your intent. The instructor will then inform the shooting sports committee who will make sure it conforms to the requirements. Only the notebook will advance to the state fair if you win champion at the county fair.

1. Display a notebook showing how a shooting sports item was made or project completed.
2. Project or model any size. You must include a notebook with detailed information about how the project was completed documenting the work. Photographs are encouraged as they help the judges see the progress and the finished product. The notebook must include research, planning, costs, and an explanation of how the final project will be used.
 - a. If you choose to make a small project, it is recommended that it be displayed in a shadow box. It shall be no larger than 18 x 24 inches, no more than 3 inches deep, and displayed horizontally.
3. Prepare an instructional poster. Acceptable themes include but are not limited to:
 - a) Shooting or hunter safety,
 - b) Wildlife management or natural history
 - c) Instruction in proper shooting techniques
 - d) Instruction in a shooting game or a particular type of hunting or wildlife observation.
 - e) Motivation toward community action on conservation issues.
 - f) Career opportunities related to shooting sports or wildlife related fields.
 - g) Any subject pertaining to Outdoor Skills.

LEVEL – Independent Study: Grades 9-12

Exhibit:

1. **Advanced topic** – Learn all you can about an advanced shooting sports topic and present it on a poster and/or in a notebook. Include a short manuscript, pictures, graphs, and list the works cited to describe what you did and what you learned. Title your poster, “Advanced Shooting Sports- Independent Study.”
2. **Mentoring** – Exhibit a poster that shows how you mentored a younger 4-H member. Include your planning, the time you spent, the challenges and advantages of mentoring, and how the experience might be useful in your life. Photographs and other documentation are encouraged. Title your poster, “Advanced Shooting Sports – Mentor.”

Leadership & Citizenship Projects



Genealogy

Judging - Thursday, July 2, at 3pm at the Fairgrounds; Shrine Building.

One exhibit from each level to State Fair

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Forms for this project are found on the Indiana 4-H Web site www.extension.purdue.edu/4h click on “projects” and then on Genealogy to reach downloadable forms. This project is organized into divisions and not grades; a youth cannot start in Division 3 without first completing Division 1 and Division 2. This is a project that builds on the previous division information in order to be successful in building your family tree. If you are using a genealogical commercial software program, you may need to type in or hand-write in information required by the Indiana 4-H genealogy project. See 4-H forms on the 4-H website linked above.

The exhibit will consist of no more than four (4) notebooks for Division 1-4 and first year Advanced Division. Those notebooks are: