

Shooting Sports

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The purpose of this project is to teach the concepts of responsible firearm handling. In order to participate in the shooting sports project, 4-H members must attend and pass 4-H Shooting Sports Safety course.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

1. Title your exhibit with one of the following, you can use a subtitle if you wish:

archery

outdoor skills

shotgun

hunting,

pistol

shooting sports

muzzle loading

rifle

2. Firearms or ready-to-shoot bows are not allowed to be exhibited. Unstrung bows are permissible.
3. Live ammunition is not allowed to be exhibited (no powder or primer)
4. An arrow with its arrowhead attached must be displayed in a secure case. An arrowhead without the arrow attached must be displayed in a secure case. An arrow may be displayed unsecured if its arrowhead is removed. Modern broadhead arrows are not allowed to be exhibited.
5. Projects involving firearms or bows may be exhibited as a photographic display on a poster or in a notebook following grade level guidelines. Any ammunition used in your exhibit must be completely inert (unusable).
6. 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.
7. Handmade items must include information explaining how the project was made and its intended use.
8. Please include reference list for posters and notebooks. See guidelines in General Rules.

LEVEL A: GRADES 3 - 5

Display a poster showing what was learned in the 4-H Shooting Sports project. Be sure to follow general poster guidelines and requirements found at the beginning of the rule book.

LEVEL B: GRADES 6 - 9

Exhibits **MUST** meet the size restrictions or be presented in a notebook. All exhibits, other than posters, must include an explanation of costs (time and money) and procedures. Choose one of the following options.

1. Poster- Be sure to follow general poster guidelines and requirements found at the beginning of the rule book.
2. Small project or model no larger than 18 x 18 x 36 inches.
3. Notebook, showing how a shooting sports item was made, or project completed. Include pictures of the item or project.

LEVEL C: GRADES 10-12

Exhibits MUST meet the size restrictions or be presented in a notebook. All exhibits, other than posters, must include an explanation of costs (time and money) and procedures. Choose one of the following options:

1. Poster- Be sure to follow general poster guidelines and requirements found at the beginning of the rule book.
2. Project or model (any size) and explanation of costs and procedure.
3. Notebook, showing how a shooting sports item was made, or project completed. Include pictures of the item or project and explanation of costs and procedures.

LEVEL: INDEPENDENT STUDY: GRADES 9 - 12, ONE STATE FAIR ENTRY

1. Advanced topic - Learn all you can about an advanced shooting sports topic and present it on a poster. Include a short manuscript, pictures, graphs, and list of the works cited to describe what you did and what you learned. You must 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. You must title your poster, "Advanced Shooting Sports - Mentor."

STATE FAIR ENTRY: one entry per level