

SHOOTING SPORTS EXHIBIT OR DISPLAY

LEVEL/GRADE:

Level 1 – Grades 3, 4, 5

Level 2 – Grades 6, 7, 8

Level 3 – Grades 9, 10, 11, 12

Independent Study - Grades 9, 10, 11, 12

RULES:

1. Community Judging of all 4-H Shooting Sports Education projects will be at Project Check-In.
2. Create an exhibit that shows the public what you learned in shooting sports education this year. Exhibits must be displayed horizontally, sized 22" x 28", mounted on a firm backing (foam core board or other), and covered in clear plastic or other transparent material. Be sure to include a label with your name, grade, and county. Title your exhibit with one of the following: archer, hunting, pistol, rifle, shotgun or shooting sports. You can use a subtitle if you wish.
3. You do not need to own a bow or firearm to participate in the shooting sports education project.
4. For the safety of all fairgoers, do not include any of the following in your exhibit: firearm, bow, live ammunition, complete arrow, useable ammunition, or an arrowhead. Any ammunition or arrows used in your exhibit must be completely inert (unusable).
5. Projects involving firearms, bows, arrows, ammunition, may be exhibited as a photographic display on a poster or in a notebook following grade level guidelines.
6. Handmade items must include information explain how the project was made and its intended use.
- 7. You must sign up for shooting sports education in Fair Entry!**
8. One State Fair exhibit will be chosen from each level. Your shooting sports project manual should accompany your project when going to the State Fair.
9. All posters, notebooks, and display boards must include a reference list indicating where information was obtained, giving credit to the original author, to complete the 4-H member's exhibit. This reference list should/might include web site links, people and professionals interviewed, books, magazines, etc. It is recommended this reference list be attached to the back of a poster or display board, be the last page of a notebook, or included as part of the display visible to the public. A judge is not to discredit an exhibit for the manner in which references are listed.

EXHIBITS:

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).
- 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. Displays involving firearms or bows may be exhibited as a photographic display on a poster or in a notebook following grade level guidelines.
- Handmade items must include information explaining how the project was made and its intended use. Photos are encouraged.

LEVEL 1 - GRADES 3 – 5

Display a poster showing what was learned in the 4-H Shooting Sports project. May include a list of rules and a record of your experiences.

LEVEL 2 - GRADES 6 – 8

Choose one of the following options. Exhibits MUST meet the size restrictions or be presented in a notebook.

1. Poster
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.

LEVEL 3 - GRADES 9 – 12

Choose one of the following options:

1. Poster
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.

INDEPENDENT STUDY – GRADES 9 - 12

- Advanced topic – Learn all you can about an advanced shooting topic and present it on a poster and/or in a notebook. Include a short manuscript, pictures, graphs, and a list of the works cited to describe what you did and what you learned. Title your poster, “Advanced Shooting Sports – Independent Study.”
- 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.”

There are no specific references given for these exhibits. Youth are encouraged to use Extension publications, the Internet, books, and shooting sports specialists to develop these items.

STATE FAIR ENTRY:

All Shooting Sports Projects will be judged collectively. Only one project per level will advance to State Fair.