

ARCHERY (SHOOTING SPORTS)

The 4-H shooting sports project teaches safe operation of firearms and archery equipment. In addition to your exhibit, certified 4-H Shooting Sports volunteers will work with you to improve your knowledge and skills in archery.

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State Fair Entries: *One shooting sports entry from each Level 1 – 3 and one from Independent Study. State Fair Selections will be made from all shooting sports projects in Parke County.*

RULES

1. The 4-H Archery project entails an archery safety program and supervised shoots at the Parke County 4-H Fairgrounds and one shoot at Raccoon SRA. To shoot at the Fairgrounds and the Raccoon SRA, all members must complete the necessary safety requirements prior to shooting. However, 4-H'ers who sign up for the project are not required to shoot at the range to exhibit a project at the Fair.
2. To participate in this project, each 4-H'er is expected to pay a materials fee to help cover the cost of rewards and equipment, etc. The Instructor will collect the fee at the first session the 4-H'er attends.
3. It is recommended that 4-H members attend all of their discipline meetings/shooting matches/club meetings offered.
4. Additional details and project guidelines are available in the 4-H Shooting Sports Project materials at the Extension Office.

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.

EXHIBIT

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: archery, outdoor skills, or shooting sports. You can use a subtitle, if you wish.

Important Notes:

- Ready to shoot bows are not allowed to be exhibited. Unstrung bows are permissible.
- 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 broad head arrows are not allowed to be exhibited.
- Displays involving 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

One State Fair entry

Exhibit

- Display a poster showing what was learned in the 4-H Shooting Sports project.

Level 2: Grades 6-8

One State Fair entry

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

- Poster
- Small project or model no larger than 18 x 18 x 36 inches and notebook, showing how a shooting sports item was made, or project completed. Photos are encouraged.

Level 3: Grades 9-12

One State Fair entry

Exhibit

Choose one of the following options:

- Poster
- Project or model (any size) and notebook, showing how a shooting sports item was made, or project completed. Photos are encouraged.

Level: Independent Study: Grades 9 – 12

One State Fair entry

Exhibit

- **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. 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."