

ADULTS ARE NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAM GOALS:

1. To teach safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment including sound decision-making, self-discipline and concentration.
2. To enhance development of participant's self-concept, character and personal growth through safe, educational and socially acceptable involvement in a shooting activity.
3. To promote the highest standards of safety, sportsmanship, and ethical behavior.
4. To encourage understanding of natural resource concepts through participant's interests in shooting and hunting.
5. To expose participants to the broad array of vocation and lifelong advocational activities related to shooting sports.
6. To strengthen families through life-long recreational activities.
7. To complement and enhance the impact of existing safety and hunter education programs.

"You don't have to be an expert marksman to become involved in the program."



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**Skills for
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Lifetime**

**BECOME A
4-H SHOOTING
SPORTS
VOLUNTEER!**



HOW TO BECOME A 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS INSTRUCTOR:

1. Complete the county 4-H Volunteer Selection Process which includes ...
 - a) receiving a position description;
 - b) completing an application;
 - c) having references collected by Extension professionals;
 - d) completing an interview;
 - e) submitting to a criminal history fingerprint record check;
 - f) agreeing to and signing the volunteer standards of behavior form;
 - g) participating in an orientation program.

After completing Step 1, you are an "Assistant Instructor" for the 4-H Shooting Sports Club.

2. Become a "Discipline Instructor" by completing an Instructor Certification Workshop in your chosen discipline. The workshop ...
 - a) provides techniques necessary to teach youngsters the basic fundamentals of shooting;
 - b) is offered at least twice a year at a 4-H Camp facility;
 - c) takes place from Friday night through Sunday afternoon;
 - d) has a registration fee that can be paid by the county's 4-H Advisory Committee.

DISCIPLINES INCLUDE:

- ◇ Archery
- ◇ Hunting & Wildlife
- ◇ Living History
- ◇ Muzzleloader
- ◇ Pistol
- ◇ Reloading
- ◇ Rifle
- ◇ Shotgun
- ◇ Western Heritage

Each discipline teaches safety, concentration, self-discipline, self-confidence, goal-setting, decision-making, and courtesy as the young people learn basic skills and build toward more advanced activities. Both cooperative and competitive skills are included.

Participants are exposed to local policies, regulations, laws, and ethical behavior both by repeated demonstration and through personal practice.



WHY SHOOTING SPORTS

About 2/3 of the homes in the U.S. have firearms. Exposure to safe and responsible handling is vital to preventing accidents in or out of the home.

Shooting is the second most popular international sport behind track and field. It is nearly unique in being a lifetime sport.

Shooting Sports attracts new audiences to 4-H and creates adult-youth bonds.



WE BELIEVE...

Human growth and development is the primary goal of the 4-H Shooting Sports program.

Shooting Sports is an outstanding way to provide human growth and development opportunities.

Introducing safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment opens valuable advocational and life-long recreational education.