General Rules

BOULDER COUNTY SHOOTING SPORTS

ADDENDA TO COLORADO

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS

STATE RULE BOOK – *2024-2025*

These addenda are intended to clarify and enhance the shooting sports rules at the county level. We thought it necessary to expand certain rules to accommodate the shooting venues used for the county events. We hope these changes make for a memorable experience for all the shooting sports contestants.



Boulder County 4-H Shooting Sports Council

- 1. 4-H members must be enrolled in a shooting sports project to participate in any shooting sports activity such as practices and the Boulder County Shoot Offs.
- 2. Shoot dates and times: you will receive an e-mail or letter stating the shoot off dates, registration times and the start of competition times for each discipline you are enrolled in.
- 3. Management: The administration of a Boulder County Shoot Off will be managed by a team of county superintendents and the Boulder County 4-H Shooting Sports Council Executive Committee. Interpretation of rules, violations and so forth will be the responsibility of this group.
- 4. In order to be eligible to represent Boulder County as a member of a State Fair Team, a member MUST submit for review, a record book and display project at or prior to Interview Judging day. If a member is enrolled in more than one shooting sports discipline, only one record book and display is required. Ribbons given at County Shoots are exempt.
- 5. Leaders must have their Colorado 4-H Shooting Sports Leader certificate filed at the Boulder County Extension Office.
- 6. All shooting sports members must demonstrate proper safety protocol to ensure the safety of our members and to participate in the Boulder County Shoot. ALL shooting sports members must attend a safety meeting for each of the disciplines they participate in by the drop/add date of the current 4-H year. Each discipline shall set up how their safety meetings will work. In addition, each shootings sports member must obtain five safe practice signatures, from a **Boulder County** certified 4-H shooting sports leader, by check in of each County shoot-off. If Boulder County does not have a certified leader in a specific discipline, prior approval from the Extension office can be given to accept signatures from another counties' certified shooting sports leader. 5 safe practices are required for both Air Rifle and .22 Rifle as well as Air Pistol and .22 pistol. Practices can no longer be combined to achieve the 5 required safe practices.
- 7. All members competing at a Boulder County Shoot off MUST have a Colorado Hunter Safety Education Card and bring the card to each shoot off.
- 8. All members competing at a Boulder County Shoot Off must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult.
- 9. Team make-up: Senior Teams will be comprised of senior members. In the event that there are not enough seniors to make a complete team, two (2) juniors may be added to make a team. Junior teams will be all juniors.
- 10. If you qualify to be a member of a State Team, as per the 4-H Code of Conduct, you are expected to participate with that team at state fair competition. If you

know in advance that you will not be able to participate in the state fair competition you must notify the county contact person, for your discipline, or a member of the Boulder County Shooting Sports Council Executive Committee. Or as soon as you possibly can in the case of an emergency. If no notification is received by either the contact person or a member of the Boulder County Shooting Sports Council Executive Committee and the 4-H member qualifies for a state fair team the following year, the 4-H member will be responsible to pay for their state fair shooting fees prior to their registration being submitted to the state fair. This will be in addition to the \$20.00 shooting sports fee that is paid at the beginning of the 4-H year. Each team member is encouraged to wear their county/state team shirt, during the state fair competition, while competing.

- 11. Positions on the state teams shall only be filled with shooters that compete in each discipline and class for the open positions at the Boulder County Shoot-offs.
- 12. Boulder County will no longer offer proxy shoots
- 13. Remember we are shooting on private property. To continue to have this privilege in coming years each participant will be required to help pick up .22 shells, shotgun hulls, and any other trash necessary to clean up the entire shooting site.
- 14. All shooters will be charged a yearly shooting fee of \$20.00 at the time of enrollment. This fee will cover the cost of a t-shirt and end of the year shooting awards. The \$20.00 fee must be paid by the day of the County Shoot off. If the fee is not paid the 4-H member will not be allowed to participate in the County Shoot offs. There will be a \$60.00 family max on the shooting sports fees.
- 15. Due to a fee increase by the State Shooting Team, Boulder County Shooting Sports Council will now require each shooting member to pay \$20.00 (once per member) at the Boulder County Shoot Offs if they accept a position on a state shooting team.
- 16. Requirements for 4-H members who are attending the National 4-H Shooting Sports Championship. 1. Must be a member in good standing with their club.
- 17. Must attend a safety meeting and 5 safe practices in the discipline in which they are attending the National 4-H Shooting Sports Championships prior to attending the National Shoot. A member's eligibility is at the discretion of the Boulder County Shooting Sports Council and the privilege of attending may be revoked at any time.
- 18. Please submit your practice card(s) to the Extension Office at or prior to the County Shoots. This will be proof that you have completed the Shooting Sports year. To complete the project, you must submit for review a project and record book prior to or at the Boulder County Fair.

- 19. The Council will establish a scholarship program for new and re-certifying leaders. The BCSSC will reimburse leaders \$75.00 after they have attended a Colorado State 4-H SS leader training, re-enrolled as a SS leader the 4-H year after the training and have completed the items listed on the Shooting Sports Leadership Training Reimbursement Card which includes: attending 2 SS council meetings, attend a safety meeting for training discipline, attend and assist in 2 safe practices in trained discipline and attend and assist in County shoot-offs. This will be on a request only basis. The request will be the turning in of the completed SS Leadership Training Reimbursement Card to the 4-H Office.
- 20. There will be no more than 2 (two) 4-H members sharing the same equipment during the Boulder County and State Fair Shoot Offs. This includes rifles, pistols, bows, jackets etc. Exception will be made for siblings, however preapproval of more than 2 siblings sharing equipment will need to be made by the discipline superintendent and the Extension Office.
- 21. A 4-H member is required to have 2 safe practices with each rifle being used at the Boulder County Shoot Off prior to the shoot off dates. The only exception being if there is an equipment failure on the line then the 4-H member can shoot a replacement rifle or pistol if one is available without having shot it previously 2 times. At least 5 safe practices are still required per discipline.
- 22. If a Boulder County 4-H member is at a fun shoot or competition it may count as 1 of their 5 safe practices if there is a Boulder County Certified Shooting Sports leader in attendance, watching the member shoot to sign off on the card. No out of county leader signatures will be accepted in this situation.

ARCHERY

Archery Tie Breaker:

1. FITA

- a. Highest number of X's Sr and Jr
- b. Highest score 50 yd Sr, 40 yd Jr
- c. Highest score 40 yd Sr, 30 yd Jr
- d. Highest score 30 yd Sr, 20 yd Jr
- e. Highest score 20 yd Sr, 10 yd Jr
- 2. 3-D Seniors and Juniors
 - a. Highest number of 10's
 - b. Highest number of 8's
 - c. Highest number of 5's
- 3. Combined Archery Competition Seniors and Juniors
 - a. Highest total combined score
 - b. Highest total combined X's
 - c. Highest 3-D score
 - d. Highest total FITA score

SHOTGUN AND ADVANCED SHOTGUN

- 1. No magnum loads will be allowed, only $7\frac{1}{2}$ to 9 shot allowed.
- 2. All shooters will shoot three full rounds of 25 targets on the day of the County Shoot-Off. Best two scoring rounds will be used as the score. The lowest scoring round will used as the tie breaker round.

.22 PISTOL

4-H members must be at least 11 years old to participate in the .22 Pistol project. Members that are 11-13 years old are considered an Intermediate, members 14-18 years old are considered a Senior. Members must have completed at least one project year of 4-H Shooting Sports that includes live fire range experience with a firearm or air gun. Range experience in this case means at least 5 safe practices. All 1st year 22 pistol shooters must go through a review with a minimum of 2 certified Pistol Leaders. This review will include range time to determine that the Intermediate or Senior shooter can conduct themselves in a safe manner on the .22 pistol range. All .22 Pistol participants must:

A. Attend a safety meeting and 5 safe practices with a Boulder County Certified .22 Pistol Leader (preferable not a parent) to participate at the Boulder County .22 pistol shoot-off.

.22 Pistol Tie Breaker:

- 1. Camp Perry Round Modified
 - a) Highest number of X's
 - b) Highest Rapid-Fire Score
 - c) Highest Timed Fire Score
 - d) Highest Slow Fire Score
- 2. Hunter Silhouette
 - a) Highest score on Rams
 - b) Highest score on Turkeys
 - c) Highest score on Pigs
 - d) Highest score on Chickens
- 3. Overall Combined Competition
 - a) Highest number of X's
 - b) Highest Silhouette score
 - c) Highest Rapid-Fire score
 - d) Highest Timed Fire score
 - e) Highest Slow Fire score

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