

Label Example

Scientific Name:	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i> (Michx.) Nash
Common Name:	Little bluestem
County of collection:	Dodge County
Collection date:	6 August 2015
Collector's name:	Joe Smith
Personal collection number:	37
Value and Importance:	Livestock Forage: High, Wildlife
Habitat:	High, Wildlife Food: Medium OR Life Span: Perennial OR
season of Growth:	Warm Season OR Origin: Native

- Class 1 Value and Importance for Livestock Forage and Wildlife Habitat and Food Book: A collection of 12 different plant mounts, with 4 classified as high value, 4 as medium value, and 4 as low value for livestock forage, wildlife habitat, or wildlife food. Value and importance classifications can be found in the Range Judging Handbook and Contest Guide (EC 150, Revised July 2009) on pages 3 through 6. Plants can consist of any combination of grasses, grass-like plants, forbs, or shrubs. Assemble plant mounts in order of high, medium, and low value and importance. Label each plant mount with its value and importance classifications for each of the three areas: Livestock Forage, Wildlife Habitat, Wildlife Food.
- Class 2 Life Span Book: A collection of 6 perennial plant mounts and 6 annual plant mounts selected from 'grasses' or 'forbs.'
- Class 3 Growth Season Book: A collection including 6 cool-season grass mounts and 6 warm-season grass mounts.
- Class 4 Origin Book: A collection of plant mounts of 6 native range grasses and 6 introduced grasses. Introduced grasses are not from North America and often used to seed pastures.
- Class 5 Major Types of Range Plants Book: A collection of plant mounts of 3 'grasses', 3 'forbs', 3 'grass-like' and 3 'shrubs'.
- Class 6 Range Plant Collection Book: A collection of 12 range plant mounts with something in common (i.e. poisonous to cattle, or historically used as food by Native Americans, or dye plants, or favorite antelope forage, etc.). Include a short paragraph in the front of the book which describes what the plants have in common and why you have chosen to collect them.

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DISPLAYS

A purpose of the display is to tell an educational story to those that view the display. The display is a visual representation (pictures, charts, graphs) no larger than 28" x 28" on plywood or poster board. The display should be neatly titled. Make sure to label display with exhibitor's name, address, and county on back side. Refer to Scoresheet SF 259.

- Class 7 Parts of a Range Plant Poster: Mount a range plant on a poster board. Label all the plant parts. Include the plant label in the lower right corner. Put your name and 4-H county on the back of the poster.

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BOARDS

Boards should be no larger than 30" wide by 36" tall or if hinged in the middle a maximum of 60" wide by 36" tall. Boards should be adequately labeled. Refer to Scoresheet SF260.

- Class 8 Range Plant Board: Will include 25 range forage species important to a particular county.
- Class 9 Special Study Board: A display of the results of a clipping study, a degree of use study or a range site study, etc.
- Class 10 Junior Rancher Board: It includes a ranch map with record book or an appropriate educational display on some phase of rangeland or livestock management.

SHOOTING SPORTS

SHOOTING SPORTS GUIDELINES

4-H Shooting Sports requires youth to be under the direct leadership of a certified 4-H Shooting Sports Leader in either shotgun, rifle (bb gun), archery, pistol, blackpowder/muzzleloader, and /or hunting skills. NO firearms can be entered as an exhibit; however information can be shared through pictures.

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- Class 1 Shooting Aid or Accessory: Any item which helps the shooter/hunter better perform their sport, examples: rifle sling, kneeling roll, arm guard, shotgun vest, target boxes, shooting stick, etc...Include your design, or plans you adapted, what the item is and used for.
- Class 2 Storage Case: an item with the purpose to safely hold a firearm, bow, ammunition, and/or arrows, examples: soft sided shotgun case, quivers, firearm safe. Include your design, or plans you adapted. Explain how the storage case is used.
- Class 3 Practice Game or Activity: invent or adapt an activity to practice or teach a project skill. Include pictures of youth playing the game, testimonials for 4-H members who played the game, what skill is being worked on, and directions for the game. Explain how you came up with the game or adapted it to fit the needs of your group members.
- Class 4 Science, Engineering, Technology Advancements of Shooting Sports Essay or Display: Choose a specific area of shooting sports and share how it has advanced, include a timeline and photos or illustrations. Keep your topic narrow and manageable. Essays are limited to 1000 words and should be on 8 ½ x 11 paper.
- Class 5 Healthy Lifestyles Plan: Include a shooter's diet and exercise plan, and how the 4-H member will benefit or improve form following the plan. Ideally, the 4-H member would follow the plan and include some journal entries about adaptations or improvements made while following the plan.
- Class 6 Citizenship/Leadership Project: Share a display on a citizenship project or leadership project the 4-H member took on individually or with a group to improve some aspect related to 4-H Shooting Sports. Examples could be range development, conservation planting to attract wildlife, a camp, 4-H recruitment event. Include who benefitted from the project, what the 4-H member's role was, and any results.

CAREER EXPLORATION

- Class 8 Career Development/College Essay, Interview or Display: Research opportunities for careers related to this area or opportunities for college majors or college activities to help discover using project skills beyond a person's 4-H career. Essays are limited to 1000 words and should be on 8 ½ x 11 paper. Interviews need to include a picture of the interviewee in their work setting, questions asked, and a transcript of answers.
- Class 9 Community Vitality Display: Explore the difference shooting sports and hunting make in keeping Nebraska vibrant especially in rural area. Present facts and research in an interesting way for the public to learn from.
- Class 10 Ag Literacy-Value Added Agriculture Interview or Research Project: Explore how traditional ag producers are adding value to their production agriculture operations through conservation efforts, hunting, raising pheasants, shooting sports related tourism, etc... Present finding in an interesting way for the public to learn from.