

2024 SHOOTING SPORTS EXHIBITS

Purple, \$3.00; Blue, \$2.00; Red, \$1.50; White, \$1.00 (These premiums will be paid to the 4-H members.)

No firearms may be exhibited nor live ammunition. ALL SHARP ITEMS (i.e. knives, broadheads, etc.) must be enclosed in a Plexiglas display case. Display cases must be 12" W x 18" L x 4" D and displayed so judges can open them to examine items. Items must be secured in the case. These items are not allowed at the state fair. State Fair will not allow exhibiting weapons (knives, tomahawks, etc.). If your item is selected for State Fair, you can submit a photo or video of your exhibit and the judge will do their best to judge it accordingly.

All shooting sports projects must have a 5"x8" card securely attached describing: The project and how it applies to shooting sports; Experience gained in making the project; How the project will be used. The information should be neatly handwritten or typed on one side of the card.

All exhibits should be self-explanatory and educational to the viewers. No dimension restrictions for county only exhibits.

The 4-H members' name and county must be on the back of each exhibit if the entry card becomes lost.

Exhibits that are dangerous or improperly prepared will be refused at entry into the Buffalo County Fair.

*D347001 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.

*D347002 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.

*D347003 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.

*D347004 Science, Engineering, Technology Advancements of Shooting Sports, Conservation, or Wildlife 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.

*D347005 Healthy Lifestyles Plan – Include a shooter's diet and exercise plan, and how the 4-H member will benefit or improve from 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.

*D347006 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, Conservation, or Wildlife. Examples could be range development, conservation planting to attract wildlife, a camp, or 4-H recruitment event. Include who benefitted from the project, what the 4-H member's role was, and any results.

*D347007 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.

*D347008 Community Vitality Display – Explore the difference shooting sports, conservation, fishing and hunting make in keeping Nebraska vibrant especially in rural areas. Present facts and research in an interesting way for the public to learn from.

*D347009 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.