Department D – Environmental Education & Earth Sciences Division 951 – Shooting Sports Contest – Rifle (BB) Sunday, June 2, 2024, 1:30 PM, Sarpy County Fairgrounds

**Superintendent:** Michelle Antonson

Range Officers: Isaac Rath and Bryan DeWilde

**4-H Staff:** Brett Kreifels **GENERAL RULES** 

- 1. Entry forms are due on May 17, 2024.
- a. Register for the contest by filling out this Google form: <a href="https://forms.gle/WU2VLjikMenRNWcM9">https://forms.gle/WU2VLjikMenRNWcM9</a>
- b. After the contest entry due date, relay times will be assigned and sent via email. Relays will be scheduled beginning at 1:30 PM. Once check-in is completed, the relay will begin.
- 2. The contest is open to youth ages 8-15. 4-H age is determined by the age of the youth before January 1st of the current calendar year.

# 3. To participate in the contest:

- a. Youth must be enrolled in Douglas-Sarpy County 4-H program.
- b. Youth must also be an active member of a Douglas-Sarpy Counties 4-H Club offering the Rifle (BB) project or may be an independent member. For both memberships, the youth must be under the direction of a certified 4-H Archery Shooting Sports instructor.
  - c. Club dues must be paid, if applicable.

- d. Each competitor must attend a minimum of four (4) practices with a 4-H rifle certified instructor.
- e. A current Nebraska 4-H certified Shooting Sports Rifle instructor familiar with the youth will be asked to certify that they meet the qualifications to participate safely in the contest.
- 4. National Rifle Association 5 Meter BB Gun Rules 2024 Edition will govern for BB gun.

## 5. Safety First:

- a. Anyone acting in an unsafe manner will be disqualified and asked to leave the competition.
- b. Eye protection must be worn by everyone on the firing line.
- c. Shooters, coaches, and all spectators, must obey range officers and follow all commands and safety procedures. Do not enter or exit the range competition area without permission from the Range Safety Officer.

### 6. Sportsmanship:

- a. Poor sportsmanship may result in the lowering of one ribbon placement, after one warning.
- b. Unsportsmanlike actions such as intentionally bothering another shooter by noise or actions or bothering the shooter's equipment shall be reason for disqualification.

- c. Persons accompanying the participating youth, acting in an inappropriate manner, may result in the disqualification of the youth.
- 7. No competitor may use a cellphone or other device during the competition. Turn off all devices. No flash photography will be allowed on the range. Coaches may not enter or leave the firing line during the competition.
- 8. **4-H Dress Code**: Participants not adhering to the dress code below will be lowered one ribbon placement.
  - a. Participants are to wear either a white shirt with the official 4-H chevron attached or an official 4-H T-shirt, or a 4-H club T-shirt approved by the 4-H Office. 4-H shirts and Chevrons are available to purchase at the Extension office during normal hours. They will not be available at the contest to purchase.
  - b. Participants are to wear long pants or jeans without holes or rips, complete with no holes or tears, even those made by the manufacturer in new or used condition. No shorts, skirts, skorts, yoga pants, or stretch pants.
- 9. **Dress Code for Safety**: Participants not following the dress code below will not be allowed to participate.
  - a. Wear close-toed shoes: no Croc's, flip flops, sandals, etc.
  - b. Participants shall not wear necklaces or jewelry (like earrings) that dangle.
  - c. Hair shall be pulled back and any strings from clothing (like hoodies) shall be tucked inside. No hair ribbons

or accessories which could interfere with operation of the rifle.

- 10. **Clothing Regulations**: All clothing must be made of flexible material that does not materially change its physical characteristics under commonly accepted shooting conditions. Special devices, means or garments which support or immobilize the shooter's legs, body, or arms more than normal everyday clothing are prohibited. No shooting shirts, sweaters, jackets, trousers, or gloves allowed. Normal street type or light athletic shoes cannot extend above the midpoint of the ankle and must have a flexible sole. Boots or Shooting boots/shoes are not permitted. No pads, braces, or elastic bandages will be allowed. Eye patches are allowed.
- 11. Each youth is required to have a coach on the line for BB gun.
- 12. **Equipment:** Participants are required to provide their own equipment and ammunition. No equipment will be provided.
  - a. Equipment must meet the definition of a BB Gun and be in good working condition. Equipment subject to inspection and approval by the Range Safety Officer prior to the competition. Single shot and or single pump guns only. Peep sights or open sights only, no scopes.
    - i. **BB Gun Definition**: Any shoulder held smooth bore BB gun with metallic sights, in which the propelling force is developed through the use of a compressed spring, gas or compressed air. No alterations of factory manufactured BB guns are allowed.

- b. Rifles brought to the contest must be in an enclosed case. Rifles shall be kept in the case except while on the firing line.
- c. Eye protection must be brought and worn by everyone on the firing line.
- d. Ground mats and kneeling rolls encouraged. A carpet will be provided.
  - e. Only round steel BBs are permitted.
- 13. **Time/Course of Fire:** BB Gun 10 minutes per 10 bull targets. BB Gun Four Positions: Prone, Standing, Sitting and Kneeling. Ten rounds per target at 5 meters. Slings allowed in the 3 down positions. There will be a 2-minute prep time before prone only.
  - 14. Be a leader. Encourage your fellow participants.

#### **SCORING**

Scoring will be based on the following:

- 1. Written academic test administered on the day of the competition.
- 2. Scoring of completed targets.
  - a. The targets will be the NRA 5 Meter BB gun target.
  - b. Targets scored, "10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1" from center out.
  - c. Lines must be touched to count the next higher score.

### **AWARDS**

A combined awards presentation will be held with Archery and Air Rifle. Time and date to be announced. Premium will be Level 5.