

## Texas 4-H Shotgun Camp

### WHAT IS the Texas 4-H Shotgun Camp?

The Texas 4-H Shotgun Camp is an event for 4-H Shooting Sports members with intermediate shotgun experience and skill. This is not a program for beginners or first year shooters. This is also not a program for the advanced shooter. The program aims to promote shotgun shooting skills in American Trap, American Skeet, and 5-Stand Sporting Clays, as well as to promote youth development by enhancing teamwork and leadership skills and shooting sportsmanship. Each participant will receive intensive training in their choice of one of the above shotgun games. The camp is designed for youth who want to increase their performance by developing and improving shooting skills, mental discipline, self-control, and shooting etiquette on the field. The Shotgun Camp Instructors are experienced and skilled 4-H coaches from across the state who know their shotgun games and know 4-H Shooting Sports.

The secondary purpose for this camp is to enhance the experience and skill of selected existing 4-H Shotgun Coaches. These coaches must have 4-H Shotgun Coach Certification and limited experience and limited skill in shotgun shooting sports. The selected adult coaches will shadow camp instructors.

**WHEN: June 25-28, 2017**

### LOCATION:

The 2017 Texas 4-H Shotgun Camp will be held at the Boswell Porter 4-H Shotgun Range in Snook, Texas. The range is located about fifteen minutes outside of College Station. Lodging will be in College Station. Camp participants will be bussed between the lodging and the range each day. Personal shooting equipment will be securely stored at the range.

### ELIGIBILITY:

The 2017 Texas 4-H Shotgun Camp will be limited to the first sixty (60) youth (20 per discipline) and ten (10) adults.

Youth –

- 5<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> grade as of September 1, 2016
- Must have been in a 4-H Shotgun project for a minimum of two years including the current year.
- Must be an intermediately skilled shooter, not be a beginner or an advanced shooter.

Adults –

- All adult participants must have previously attended a 4-H Shotgun Coach Training/Certification and be a certified shotgun coach currently enrolled as a volunteer on 4-H Connect.
- All adult participants must complete the online [Child Protection Training](#) under the 'Training' tab on their personal profile on 4-H Connect. This is mandatory due to the overnight/multiple day status of this youth camp.
- Must be willing to serve as assistants to their assigned Instructors during the camp and participate in all training with the youth to improve their own coaching and shooting skills.
- Must be willing to serve as chaperones on their assigned ranges and in the lodging area.

**REGISTRATION PROCESS:**

Registration for this camp opens on 4-H Connect (<https://texas.4honline.com>) on May 18<sup>th</sup> and closes on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Registration for this camp does not guarantee participation. There will be more registrations submitted than there are spaces for participants in the camp; youth and adult. Registrations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. The first 60 eligible youth registrations will be taken (20 per discipline). However, each youth registration will be sent to the appropriate local county project coach for verification of eligibility requirements prior to final acceptance.

Each registrant will receive a notice of whether or not they were accepted. Registrations not accepted for the camp will be returned without a fee being processed.

The final selection of youth and adult participants will be made and announced on June 12, 2017 unless the registration fills before posted deadline.

**COST:**

\$350.00 – Youth participant registration fee

\$150.00 – Adult participant registration fee

Registration fees include lodging Sunday night through Tuesday night, daily breakfast at the hotel and daily lunch at the range, all transportation between range and lodging during the program, all range and round fees, instruction, and a camp t-shirt. Evening meals will be taken as a chaperoned group in town around the lodging area. The cost of the evening meals will be the responsibility of the camp participant.

**PARTICIPANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING TO CAMP:**

- Personal shotgun in a hard case.
- Appropriate gauge shotgun ammunition.
- Proper eye and ear protection.
- Refillable water bottle for use on the range.
- Appropriate clothing to be comfortable in the weather and appropriate shoes.
- Personal spending money for evening meals, snacks, and recreation.
- Additional information and details will be sent to youth and adult participants following selection.

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