



## Tennessee 4-H Shooting Sports Shotgun Invitational State 4-H Qualifier for the National 4-H Championships The Clays at Lone Oaks Farm, Middleton, TN September 16, 2023 Pre-Registration Deadline via County Extension Office – September 2, 2023 (No Extensions) Onsite check-in at 9:00 A.M. for all participants. Participant and Coaches required meeting at 9:30 A.M.

SPECIFIC SHOTGUN COMPETITION RULES AND GUIDELINES Please also read the General Rules (Changes in Red)

- 1. Age Classes: There will be one age class: Senior 9th-12th grade this fall and those who have already graduated this past May. (8th–12th grade as of January 1, 2023)
- **2.** Entry Limit: Only those individuals who qualified during the Spring Jamboree will be eligible to participate.
- **3. Scoring and Placing:** All scoring and placing will be individual. There will be a "Champions Division" for those that have already competed at the National 4-H Championships.
- 4. Entry Fee: There is a \$50.00 fee per entry. (price increase is due to recent increase in target prices)
- 5. Range Personnel Each County must provide:
  - (a) their own state 4-H certified instructor, who is required to be the "range safety officer" for their athletes while shooting,
  - (b) a range scorer for each 3 athletes participating (will not score their own team),
  - (c) these individuals may not be able to watch their shooter due to time constraint.

Scorers, pullers, and spectators are not allowed to coach while their team is shooting. The scorers will be assigned by the Discipline Superintendent on the day of the event.

- 6. Squadding Because this is an individual competition, athletes will be squadded with individuals from other counties. No county teams or squads. Squads will be assigned by the Discipline Superintendent on the day of the event.
- Course of Fire: 50 targets of Standard ATA (American) Trap (2 rounds of 25), 50 targets of American Skeet (2 rounds of 25), and 50 targets of Sporting Clays (5 to 8 stations) will be shot by all competitors.
- 8. **Tie-breaking:** Tie breaks will be done to establish the placing of individuals. Tie breaks will be determined by:
  - 1. Sporting Clay score,
  - 2. Skeet Score,
  - 3. The first long run, counted from the first target in Trap,
  - 4. The back run, counted in reverse from the last target in Trap,
  - 5. In a format decided upon by the management.

- **9. Time Limit**: Athletes will fire in an expeditious manner, and avoid unnecessary delay, and should be prepared to take the field up to 30 minutes prior to listed start time.
- **10. Equipment:** Any shotgun 12 gauge or smaller firing a shot charge meeting the requirements of the NGB. No reloads permitted, only factory ammunition. Athletes must furnish their own ammunition. Proper eye and ear protection are required.
- **11. Qualifying:** This will be the qualifying match for the National 4-H Shooting Sports Championships in June 2024 in Grand Island, Nebraska (not all competitors may be eligible for Nationals).
- **12. NGB Rules:** Amateur Trap Association, National Skeet Shooting Association, & National Sporting Clays Association.

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