

Texas 4-H Shotgun Day Camp

WHAT is the Texas 4-H Shotgun Day Camp?

The Texas 4-H Shotgun Day 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 Day 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.

A significant change for this camp is that it will now be a 'day camp'. This only means that the camp will not include overnight accommodation. The camp will only operate during the day and in limited optional evening activities. The same number of hours will be spent in training and on the range. This change will mean that each family will be responsible for nightly lodging for their 4-H shooter. Because this is also the week of State 4-H Roundup, certain hotels have been blocked for 4-H family use in College Station. These have also been made available for families involved in this camp. A variety of hotels and rates are represented on the list which is posted on the 4-H Shooting Sports webpage (<https://texas4-h.tamu.edu/projects/shooting-sports/>). There are other hotels and RV parks in the area as well for your choosing.

WHEN: June 10-13, 2018

LOCATION:

The 2018 Texas 4-H Shotgun Day 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. Personal shooting equipment can be securely stored at the range after each day's training.

ELIGIBILITY:

The 2018 Texas 4-H Shotgun Day Camp will be limited to the first thirty five (35) youth and six (6) adult coaches.

Youth –

- 5th-11th grade as of September 1, 2017
- 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 to be a certified Shotgun coach and be 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 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 around the facility in general.
- No other adults will be allowed to remain at the range during the daily camp training.

REGISTRATION PROCESS:

Registration for this camp opens on 4-H Connect (<https://texas.4honline.com>) on April 9th and closes on May 13th. 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 35 eligible youth registrations will be selected for a camper slot. However, each youth registration will be sent to the appropriate local county project coach for verification of eligibility requirements prior to final acceptance. All other registrants will be on standby until the process is complete. The first 6 eligible adult registrations will be selected and reviewed for a slot.

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 shortly after the posted registration deadline unless the registration fills before posted deadline.

COST:

\$150.00 – Youth participant registration fee

\$100.00 – Adult participant registration fee

Registration fees include daily lunch and snacks at the range, all range and round fees, instruction, a camp t-shirt, a camp water bottle, and a camp group photo. The first night's evening meal will be also provided at the range to all registrants. The cost of the following evening meals and lodging will be the responsibility of the camp participants.

PARTICIPANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE FOLLOWING TO CAMP:

- Personal shotgun in a hard case (youth participants only).
- Appropriate gauge shotgun ammunition.
- Proper eye and ear protection.
- Appropriate clothing to be comfortable in the weather and appropriate shoes.
- Additional information and details will be sent to youth and adult participants following selection.

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