

TEXAS 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

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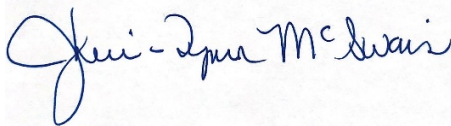
Dear Shooting Sports Coach Participant:

Thank you for registering for the Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Coaches Certification Training to be held Saturday, October 2, 2021, in Newton, Texas at the First Baptist Church (classroom portion) and nearby in Jasper, Texas at the Jasper Youth Shooting Sports Association Range (qualifying portion). Your interest and dedication to working with 4-H youth is appreciated and applauded. Below are details concerning the training and a list of items you will need to bring. Registration will be capped at 20 participants per discipline and will be open on 4-H Online at <https://texas.4honline.com> beginning September 1, 2021.

Please let me know by September 17th if you require additional information or if you have any special needs that we may accommodate during the training by contacting Carolyn Walton at the District 5 Extension office at 903-834-6191.

Contact me at 936-332-3662 (cell phone) if you have trouble finding the site on the training day.

I look forward to working with you,



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District 5 Shooting Sports Coaches Certification Training

Hosted by Newton County 4-H

Training Date and Times

7:45 a.m., Saturday, October 2, 2021

First Baptist Church, Newton

Classes and qualification are anticipated to conclude around 8:00 p.m.

Training Locations

Check-in and Classroom Training

First Baptist Church

319 Main Street

Newton, Texas 75966

Range Qualification

Jasper Youth Shooting Sports Association Range

970 County Road 278

Jasper, Texas 75951

Disciplines Offered

You will need to select ONE discipline in which to receive classroom and range training. Participants will be capped at 20 per discipline. If your selected discipline is filled, you may select an alternate discipline.

- Shotgun
- Rifle
- Pistol
- Archery

Participants

Adult 4-H coach candidates (ages 21 and up)

- Must be currently enrolled as a 4-H volunteer on 4-H Online.
- Must have an up-to-date Youth Protection background check completed on 4-H Online.
- Annual enrollment in 4-H is required to maintain certification.

Youth 4-H assistant coach candidates (ages 14 – 20 years)

- Must be currently enrolled as a 4-H member on 4-H Online.
- Annual enrollment in 4-H is required to maintain certification.

Complete the attached forms and bring to training:

- Assistant Youth Coach Acknowledgement form
- Waiver, Indemnification and Medical Treatment form



District 5
4-H SHOOTING SPORTS
COACHES CERTIFICATION

Register on 4-H Online beginning **September 1** texas.4honline.com

Must be a registered 4-H volunteer to be a certified shooting sports coach.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2
\$120

Limited to 20 participants per discipline

Classes - First Baptist Church, Newton
Range qualification - Jasper Youth Shooting Sports Association, Jasper

DISCIPLINE TRAINING SCHEDULE (SELECT ONE)

Shotgun, rifle, pistol or archery

- 7:45 am to 8:00 pm
- Classroom and range qualification

New this Year!
Complete the Green Injection Training module ONLINE. See program schedule for information.

For program schedule, equipment needed for training, and Green Injection module login contact Carolyn Walton at the District 5 4-H Office
903-834-6191

If you need any type of accommodation to participate in this program or have questions about the physical access options, please contact Carolyn Walton at 903-834-6191 by September 17, 2021. The members of Texas A&M AgriLife will provide equal opportunities in programs and activities, education, and employment to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, veteran status, sexual orientation or gender identity and will strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity through Texas A&M AgriLife.

Course Components

All course components must be completed in order to receive your certificate.

Green Injection training module	Online	3 hours
Discipline classroom training	In-person	8 hours
Range training	In-person	2 hours
Testing	In-person	1 hour

Training Registration

Register online at <https://texas.4honline.com>

To become a CERTIFIED 4-H Shooting Sports Coach the following THREE components must be completed BEFORE you may provide instruction to 4-H youth in your county:

1. Complete in-person classroom training
2. Qualify in-person on range at scheduled training
3. Complete the on-line Green Injection training module

Part 1 & 2: Certification Fee: \$120

- In-person classroom and range training
- Fee includes lunch, dinner, and bottled water

Part 3: Green Injection Training Module: \$20



- Participants must complete the online Green Injection training module **PRIOR** to attending the in-person classroom and range training.
- To complete this module, login to <https://4-hshootingsportscollege.com>
 - Click on the “sign up” button
 - Fill out your account information
 - When you are logged in, go to the “Clover Academy” tab
 - Pay for the training module - \$20
 - Take course (consists of four 50-minute sessions)
- You will receive your Certified Coach’s Certificate after verification is received at the state Shooting Sports office that this module has been completed.

Lodging

Lodging is the responsibility of the participant and NOT included in the training registration fee. Lodging options are available in and around Newton and Jasper, Texas.

Holiday Inn Express & Suites – Jasper

501 West Gibson
Jasper, Texas 75951
409-384-8400

Whispering Creek Lodging & RV Park

3713 US Hwy 190 E
Newton, Texas 75966
409-379-2222

Tentative Agenda

Saturday, October 2, 2021

7:15 - 7:45 am	Participant check-in
8:00 am	Welcome and Site Orientation
8:30 am	Discipline trainings
12:00 noon	Catered lunch
1:00 pm	Discipline trainings
6:00 pm	Catered supper
7:00 pm	Continue discipline trainings and testing
8:00 pm	Wrap up and depart for home

Note: Individual disciplines will continue at various time frames depending on coverage of materials; be prepared to work into the evening.

What to Bring

Everyone attending should bring the following:

- 3-ring binder (2" or larger recommended)
- writing materials and extra paper for notes
- highlighters if you use them for stressed points
- eye protection (shooting glasses or goggles) – recommended for archery, mandatory for all other disciplines
- ear protection (plugs or muffs) - mandatory for shotgun, rifle, and pistol disciplines
- comfortable outdoor clothing, including a cap or hat suitable for the prevailing weather and be prepared for inclement weather
- sunscreen
- range chairs, snacks, and drinks between meals, if desired
- open mind ready to learn and share

Shotgun discipline participants:

- 20 or 12-gauge shotgun, any action type
- Ammunition pouch or vest
- Ammunition to fit the shotgun, 2 boxes (50 rounds)

Archery discipline participants:

- Recurve or compound bow of any type
- Arrows to fit the bow, 6 or more

Rifle discipline participants:

- .22 caliber rimfire rifle, preferably with iron sights (open)
- .22 caliber ammunition to fit the rifle, 2 boxes (100 rounds) OR
- .177 caliber air rifle
- .177 caliber pellets to fit the rifle

Pistol discipline participants:

- .22 caliber rimfire pistol, preferably with iron sights (open)
- .22 caliber ammunition to fit the pistol, 2 boxes (100 rounds) OR
- .177 caliber air pistol
- .177 caliber pellets to fit the pistol

Frequently Asked Questions

Questions are often asked concerning certification as a 'coach' in a local 4-H Shooting Sports program.

Coach Certification

- 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Certifications offered include: 4-H Certified Coach and Assistant Coach.
- A 4-H Certified Coach must be currently enrolled as a 4-H volunteer and have an updated Youth Protection background check on 4-H Connect. Annual enrollment is required to maintain certification.
- A 4-H Certified Coach must be 4-H certified in the specific discipline (shotgun, rifle, pistol, archery, muzzleloading, hunting & wildlife) in which a shooting sports project is being conducted.
- A 4-H Certified Coach may be trained and certified in multiple disciplines.
- Only one discipline certification (archery, pistol, rifle, shotgun) is obtainable per participant per regular training.
- Trainings occur around the state in various locations and throughout the year.
- Certification is only acquired at this time through a 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training run either by the State 4-H Natural Resources Program Office or one of the 12 District Extension Offices.
- Trainings are 12 hours long or longer.
- Equivalent certifications through other entities (NRA, USA Shooting, USA Archery, etc.) are not allowed to replace 4-H Coach Training at this time.
- 4-H Coach certification is transferrable across the state.
- 4-H Coach certification is transferrable from other states with the approval of the State 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator.
- Separate specific trainings are offered for the hunting & wildlife and muzzleloading disciplines.

**Minimum Age**

- A volunteer must be 21 years of age or older to be a 4-H Certified Coach.

Assistant Coach Certification

- Assistant Coach Certification is offered to those 14-20 years of age who attend 4-H Shooting Sports Coach Training.
- This certification changes to a 4-H Certified Coach certification on the date of the holder's 21st birthday. A replacement certificate may be requested by contacting the State 4-H Natural Resources Program Office.

Presence of a 4-H Certified Coach

- A 4-H Certified Coach must be present at the time of any shooting practice and must remain on the range within control of the shooting practice.
- Non-certified volunteers may assist at the coach's discretion but cannot act without the certified coach present and in control.
- Assistant coaches are also able to assist the coach but also cannot act without the certified coach present and in control.
- Any 4-H Shooting Sports project must have at least one 4-H trained and certified coach in each of the disciplines (shotgun, rifle, pistol, archery, muzzleloading, hunting & wildlife) offered within that local project. This includes home based projects.

4-H Certified Coach at a Shooting Event

- 4-H Certified Coaches are not required or obligated to attend competitive events involving their discipline or local 4-H membership. Attendance at these events and chaperoning 4-Hers at these events is on a volunteer basis only.

Re-certification

- There is no recertification requirement for a 4-H Certified Coach. If a coach has been inactive for a period of several years, a county may require attendance to additional training.

Coming Soon to District 5!



Hunting and Wildlife Coach Certification Training

February 26 & 27, 2022 at Hawkeye Hunting Club in Center, Texas.

- Certification to teach Hunter's Education program
- Qualify to shoot archery, muzzleloading, shotgun and rifle
- Do not need to be certified in a Shooting Sports discipline to teach Hunter's Ed
- Hunting resources provided by Texas Parks and Wildlife
- Learn to identify wildlife by scat and tracks

More information to be released soon – follow us on Facebook at [District 5 Texas 4-H](#)