

NM NRA - YOUTH HUNTER EDUCATION CHALLENGE

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SCHEDULE

Thursday: Participants arrive, practice (not available on competition ranges).

2:00 PM: The office will open for registration. Everyone needs to be registered by 10:00 AM Friday. Please use the website for registration if possible.

Friday: **10:00 AM:** Opening Ceremony/ Coaches Meeting, Coors Building
Coaches meeting will be held to discuss the restrictions.

All coaches should bring a list of their team members to the stage. The teams will be introduced at the Opening Ceremony. If you would like to make or have made a banner to represent your team, please bring it with you. This way, ALL the youth will get recognized.

1:00 PM: LET THE FUN BEGIN. All Events (except Test) open for Competition.

Starting positions will be assigned on Friday morning for both days. You can go to any event EXCEPT your Saturday starting position after you finish your starting event on Friday. Starting assignments will be posted near the Stat Office. Please follow the starting assignments.

6:00 PM: Written test at Coors Building

Saturday: **7:00 AM:** All events open
All groups must be finished by 5:00 PM. No Exceptions!

Sunday: **8:00 AM:** Awards Ceremony, Coors Building

- Schedule is subject to change due to weather conditions and or other unforeseen events.
- Schedule changes were requested to help facilitate travel/time issues.
- **Please remember, we are guests of the Whittington Center, so please obey all of their rules!**

NRA HUNTER'S CODE OF ETHICS

- 1. I will consider myself an invited guest of the landowner, seeking his/her permission, and so conducting myself that I may be welcome In the future.*
- 2. I will obey the rules of safe gun handling and will courteously but firmly insist that others who hunt with me do the same.*
- 3. I will obey all game laws and regulations, and will insist that my companions do likewise.*
- 4. I will do my best to acquire those marksmanship and hunting skills, which will insure clean sportsmanlike kills.*
- 5. I will support conservation efforts, which can assure good hunting for future generations of America.*
- 6. I will pass along to younger hunters the attitudes and skills essential to a true outdoor sportsman.*

INTRODUCTION

The NRA Youth Hunter Education Challenge State Championship is conducted annually in cooperation with NRA by the New Mexico Shooting Sports Association and New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMG&F). To be eligible to participate, one must be:

1. A resident of New Mexico or declare your state preference.
2. A graduate of a Hunter Education course. Since not all states teach Hunter Education the same way, it is recommended that the participants sit in on or take a New Mexico Hunter Education course.

All information on all activities has been taken from the NRA Hunter's Guide, New Mexico Hunter Education Student Manual, New Mexico Hunting Rules and Information Booklet, New Mexico Fishing Rules and Information Booklet, Be An Expert With Map and Compass Orienteering Handbook, A Field Guide to Western Birds, A Field Guide to Mammals, or Your Way with Map and Compass Orienteering.

AGE - TEAM REQUIREMENTS

Participants eleven (11) years of age or younger as of January 1st of the current year will participate as **Sub Juniors**.

Participants must be twelve (12) to fourteen (14) years of age as of January 1st of the current year to be eligible to participate as **Juniors**.

Participants must be fifteen (15) to eighteen (18) years of age as of January 1st of the current year to be eligible to participate as **Seniors**. All participants may enter the **Senior** category.

All participants may compete as individuals or on a five (5)-person team, but must compete in the same age group for both team and individual.

Teams will consist of five (5) participants who may or may not be from the same city or county. Team members must be declared before the Challenge begins and may not be changed during the Challenge.

See Appendix A for required Entry Forms.

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Participants will be responsible for all travel expenses to the New Mexico Youth Hunter Education Challenge. For more information on accommodations at the NRA Whittington Center (NRAWC) telephone (575) 445-3615 or submit a written request to PO Box 700, Raton NM 87740 or Reservations@nrawc.org.

ROOM AND BOARD

All participants will be responsible for their own room and board while attending the New Mexico Youth Hunter Education Challenge.

Meals may or may not be available at the NRA Whittington Center. For more information on meals, contact the Whittington Center @ 575-445-3615.

TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS

In 2024, New Mexico will use an individual format and a team format for the New Mexico Challenge. Participants must designate whether they are with a team or participating as an individual. Teams will be eligible for team awards only. Individuals will be eligible for individual awards only. Grouping of top individuals into teams after the New Mexico Challenge begins will not be allowed. All participants compete for individual awards. Team awards are given for overall aggregates.

All participants must have successfully completed a hunter education course.

Each individual or squad must have at least one sponsoring coach. The coach will chaperone and instruct for the duration of the New Mexico championship and will continue with the individual, squad or team if they qualify for the National Challenge.

All participants will have to bring in their possession the following:

1. Birth certificate or copy
2. Hunter Education Card or copy
3. Medical Release

NO EXCEPTIONS!

PROGRAM REGULATIONS

Safety will be the first and foremost consideration during all activities.

Participants and spectators assume all risk of personal injury or property damage as noted on the required release form accompanying the pre-registration materials.

Participants violating any safety rule will be given one warning and then be disqualified from further participation if a second infraction occurs. If the safety violation is severe, the participant may not be given a warning.

Participants provide their own compasses and eye and ear protection. Participants should provide their own firearms and bows and arrows. A limited amount of loaner equipment is available provided prior arrangements are made with the Challenge Director.

No participant may participate for another team member in any activity, unless replacing them as a designated alternate for all events.

Participants are expected to exhibit behavior above reproach at all times. All participants and parents must sign a statement of understanding regarding behavior before they participate.

SAFETY RULES

1. Know and obey all range commands.
2. Guns and magazines are to be unloaded except when on the firing line, ready to fire.
3. Arrows will not be knocked until on the firing line.
4. All .22 rifles and shotguns must have a safety device. Muzzleloaders will remain uncapped until on the firing line. The safety will remain on, or in a safe condition, at all times except when ready to fire.
5. All firearms will be pointed and bows drawn in a safe direction at all times.
6. Actions of uncased firearms must always be open except when on the firing line, ready to fire.
7. Only one shell or cartridge may be placed in a gun at a time, unless otherwise specified in the rules for the activity.
8. Participants must wear adequate eye and ear protection while on the firing line.
9. Firearms and bows should be placed in a gun or bow rack at the activity until called to participate. Firearms and bows not in use should be locked in vehicles or safe storage sites during the New Mexico Challenge. Their security is the coach's responsibility.

SCORING

Individual scoring will be based on the participant's performance in each activity. Team scoring will be based on the aggregate of all individual team members' scores.

AWARDS

The individual in each category with the highest aggregate score in all eight events will be designated the New Mexico State YHEC Champion for their age group and will be awarded a buckle. The individuals with the next two highest aggregate scores will be designated as second and third.

The team in each category with the highest aggregate score in all eight events will be designated the New Mexico State Champion Team for their age group. The teams with the next two highest aggregate scores will be designated as second and third.

Buckles will be awarded to the individual team members of the State Champion Team and their coach.

TIES

Ties for all activities will be broken as follows:

1. The team or individual with the highest level of achievement in the Hunter Responsibility Exam will be declared the winner. If a tie remains, the team or individual with the highest level of achievement on the Hunter Safety Trail Challenge will be declared the winner. If a tie remains, the team or individual with the highest combined level of achievement in the four (4) responsibility events (Hunter Responsibility Exam, Hunting Orienteering Skills, Hunting Wildlife Identification Challenge, and Hunter Safety Trail) will be declared the winner. The final tie breaker will be based on a combined score of Shotgun, Rifle and Archery."
2. Tie Breaking sequence: Responsibility Exam, Hunter Safety Trail combined score of Exam, Orienteering, Wildlife ID, Safety Trail combined score of Shotgun, Rifle and Archery

CHALLENGES

Challenges concerning the value of shots as scored must be made immediately after the shot is scored and before the arrow is removed. Only participants may challenge and all challenges must be made during the challenge period and shall be made to the appropriate Event Director. All determinations by the Event Director on challenges will be final.

PROTESTS

Protests are to be brought to the attention of the Event Director. If the individual receives no satisfaction, a written protest may then be submitted to the YHEC Protest Committee within two hours of the protest, for review, consideration and final decision. The YHEC Protest Committee will handle all disputes except those regarding the value of shots as scored. These officials based on regulations and guidelines printed in this document will decide any questionable equipment, behavior, or score. All decisions made by the Protest Committee will be final. The YHEC Protest Committee will be composed of four persons (the YHEC Director and three assigned YHEC volunteers).

ALIBIS

Only range, trap or ammunition malfunction will constitute an alibi. No alibis will be allowed for firearm, arrow or bow malfunctions. In the event of a firearm or bow malfunction, participants may borrow a firearm or bow and continue the relay. No practice or sighting in will be allowed for borrowed firearms once the Challenge activities have started.

AMMUNITION

All ammunition used in the Light Rifle Challenge activity will be .22 caliber standard or high velocity rifle cartridges. **No stinger, sniper, or super-hot rounds or those with heavy bullets are allowed.**

No sight-in shots will be allowed once the Challenge begins.

12 and 20-gauge ammunition in low brass target loads will be provided to every participant. Any participant desiring to use a gauge other than the above will have to furnish his or her own shells. Only factory loaded target shells with shot size between 7-1/2 and 9 (inclusive) will be allowed. It will be the responsibility of the participant or coach to have these shells in the hands

of the officials before the activity is fired.

HUNTING WILDLIFE IDENTIFICATION CHALLENGE

Participants or teams will walk through a field and/or woodland course in a natural setting. The course is designed to simulate actual wildlife sign encounters while outdoors.

The Hunting Wildlife Identification Challenge will be conducted with participants observing North American game animal tracks, mounted (game or non-game) animals, and reading and identifying wildlife signs. All specimens can be hunted or trapped somewhere in North America. Wildlife will constitute mounted or tanned hides, depending upon availability. Animal tracks may be original or molds made of prints. Other wildlife signs may be real or reproduced.

No wildlife identification books, encyclopedias or other written, taped or transcribed material can be used in this activity. No talking will be allowed between the participants and instructors or other participants while on the course.

HUNTING ORIENTEERING SKILLS CHALLENGE

1. Orienteering Skills Challenge: Participants or teams will be required to use a compass for most of the challenge and *participants will use an electronic device (GPS or App for you phone) for 1 leg of the orienteering course* and complete a written exam.
2. The Orienteering Skills Challenge will be conducted with the participants or teams taking a bearing with their compass. They may also be asked to close a triangle, identify map symbols, understand contour lines, scale, and declination and map reading. The participant may be asked to identify how nature can give you different directions of travel (north, south, east and west, etc.). These situations can be used as well as many others in the Orienteering Skills Challenge (not to be announced before the program).
3. Only magnetic compasses can be used on the Orienteering Skills Challenge course used without tripods or other support. No orienteering books, encyclopedias or other written taped or transcribed material can be used in this activity. No talking will be allowed

between the participants and instructors or other participants while on the course. Refer to the NRA's Hunter's Guide, Be An Expert With Map and Compass Orienteering Handbook by Bjorn Kjellstrom and Your Way with Map and Compass Orienteering by John Disley. These Silva Compass publications may be purchased through Johnson Camping, P. O. Box 966, Binghamton, NY 13902, or by calling 1-800-847-1460.

4. Team scoring will be based on the five individual's scores who make up the team.
5. The Orienteering Course will close at **5:00 P.M.**
6. OnX will provide YHEC Members with a free 3-month subscription to the OnX Hunt App. As previously discussed in the 2025 National YHEC Rules, The Compass and Orienteering event will have a segment where an electronic mapping tool such as OnX will be utilized to find a point or coordinate, answer questions, etc., such as you would do with a magnetic compass. Please use this link <https://www.onxmaps.com/hunt/r/yhece3> to sign up for the app. OnX is providing us the ELITE MEMBERSHIP LEVEL application which covers every state in America...meaning if you are from a state outside of Arkansas, you will be able to practice in your home state yet will be able to use it at the Nationals when you get to Arkansas. This program will be only for 3 months and will expire after Nationals in July. If you want the program permanently you will have to resubscribe. You do not have to use OnX. There are several other electronic mapping or GPS options, but OnX has been very generous and supportive by offering this to YHEC.

HUNTER'S SAFETY TRAIL CHALLENGE

1. Hunter Safety Trail Challenge: Participants or teams will walk through a predetermined trail designed to simulate actual hunting conditions and situations. The participant will be required to demonstrate their knowledge of hunter safety on this practical field course.
2. The Hunter Safety Trail Challenge will be conducted with the participants moving from station to station with each situation varying greatly. Participants may be tested and scored on the dos and don'ts of firearms safety and shoot/don't shoot situations encountered in a hunting environment. Stations may include, but are not limited to, hunter game situations, target identification, landowner relationships, ethics and safe gun handling afield.
3. A ten-point penalty, per designated station, will be assessed if a participant or team violates safety rules.
4. No hunter education books or other written, taped or transcribed material can be used during this activity. No talking will be allowed between the participant and instructor or other participants while on the course.

HUNTER RESPONSIBILITY EXAM

1. The Hunter Responsibility Exam will include 50 objective questions (written, multiple choice, true or false or fill-in-the-blank).
2. All questions are taken from information contained in NRA's Hunters Guide, NRA Hunting Skills Handbook, New Mexico Hunter Education Student Manual, or the 2021- 2022 New Mexico Big Game Rules and Regulations.
3. Participants must answer all test questions with no assistance from other participants, written materials or instructors.
4. Students will have 60 minutes (one hour) to complete the test.
5. There are no achievement levels in the Hunter Responsibility Exam. It is used as the primary tiebreaker for all events.
6. The volunteers will ask, before the test is given out, if anyone would like the test read to them. It is the competitor's responsibility to come forward so the test can be read to them.

NOTE: DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINTS, THE HUNTER RESPONSIBILITY CHALLENGE EXAMINATION WILL BE GIVEN FRIDAY EVENING.

HUNTING ARCHERY CHALLENGE

1. Archery Challenge: Participants will walk through a field archery course in a natural setting. The course is designed to simulate shooting situations encountered while bowhunting.
2. The Archery Challenge will be conducted with participants taking shots at Life-Sized Game Targets (3-D) varying in distance. 45 yards maximum distance to target. **NOTE: A time limit of 45 seconds will be applied at each station.**
3. Only hunting type compound, recurve or long bows will be permitted. Bows may be equipped with hunting type sights. Shooters may only use one bow for this activity except in the case of malfunction. Only target or field point arrows will be permitted.
PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A QUIVER IN ORDER TO COMPETE.
4. Tie scores will be broken in both team and individual categories. **(See page 8.)**
5. The following will **not** be permitted for the Archery Challenge:
 - Shocker or Bludgeon points.
 - Extended sight bars that measure farther than six inches from the back of the riser to front of the sight.
 - More than six sight pins or positions.

- More than one stabilizer.
 - Stabilizers over twelve inches in length.
 - Arrow shafts that do not have target or field points.
 - Range finders.
 - Crossbows.
 - Broadhead hunting tips.
 - Sights that have a lens with or without magnification.
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HUNTING SHOTGUN CHALLENGE

1. Hunting Shotgun Challenge: Participants will walk through a Hunter's Clays course. This course is not patterned after conventional skeet and trap shooting, but is designed to simulate hunting conditions and situations. The layout will vary depending on the available topography. The shooting stations will make use of available cover to best depict running animals, bird flight and shooting obstacles.
2. Targets will be the Hunter/Sporting Clays clay type targets. Sizes of the clay targets may vary depending on different situations. **Sub-juniors will have a combination of moving targets and stationary targets, some maybe steel.**
3. The ready position for calling for the target requires the gun to be off the shoulder with the gun butt plate below the shoulder level. The gun may not be shouldered until after the target is visible. In other words, in case of a delay pull, the participant cannot call for the target and immediately shoulder the gun. The participant must wait for the target to appear.
4. A legal target is a whole clay target that is thrown from the trap in a prescribed flight pattern within the five-second time limit after the participant calls for the target. Targets broken by the trap or another obstruction will not be scored. These are illegal targets and will be re-thrown for the participant, regardless of whether or not the participant fires at the target.
5. Shotgun shooting rules:
 - a. Safety and courtesy are first in gun handling; therefore, all guns will be carried unloaded and with the actions open.
 - b. Shotguns with choke tubes will not be allowed to be changed during the shotgun activity. Shotgun barrels will not be changed during the activity. The same holds true with changing of shotguns. Participants may use only one shotgun throughout the activity, with the exception of a shotgun malfunction.

- c. Tie scores will be broken, in both individual and team categories. See page 8.
- d. Any gun in good, safe working condition of 12 or 20 gauge will be allowed. Lenses, optics, illuminated type-sighting fixtures or release triggers are not allowed. Double targets will be thrown in some instances; therefore the shotgun should be capable of holding two shells. **An exception will be made for the sub-juniors as some are unable to safely handle firearms that will shoot 2 shots.**
- e. 12 and 20-gauge ammunition in low brass target loads will be furnished to every participant. Participants may use their own ammo if desired. **Any participant desiring to use a gauge other than the above will have to furnish his or her own shotguns and shells. Only factory loaded target shells with shot size between 7-1/2 to 9 (inclusive) will be allowed.** It will be the responsibility of the participant or coach to have these shells in the hands of the officials before the activity is fired.

6. Shooting Procedures:

Each team or squad of individuals with their instructor may or may not be allowed (as a group) to see one legal target from each trap prior to shooting the activity at the station. The participant only will be allowed on the station or firing line while shooting each station. The scorer or range officer will hand shells to the shooter as required. The shooter shoots his/her quota of targets and then returns their gun to the gun rack; the next participant steps forward and repeat the sequence until all individuals and team members have had their turn.

7. YHEC Volunteers will do the scoring. Only legal targets will be scored and the scorer will be the sole judge of whether or not a target is broken. Officials may ask for assistance from the trap operator or the range official if they feel their assistance is required.

The scorers will call lost for any target they feel is missed. The participant must make any challenge to the call immediately. The scorer will then make the final decision with assistance from the trap operator and/or the range official.

Rule violations and procedure violations can be referred to the staff and officials for settlement but legality of targets and whether or not the target is broken is the responsibility of the scorer. Only targets with a visual piece broken off will be scored dead. Duster and even targets deflected in flight (but with no visible breakage) will be scored lost.

Based on the scorer's judgment, if a target hits an obstruction such as a tree or limb of a tree before the participant has had ample time to fire at the target, a new target will be thrown. However, if the participant has had ample time to fire in the scorer's judgment, and failed to do so before the target hits and object near the end of its flight and breaks, the target will be scored lost.

8. Malfunctions: Only the following malfunctions will be allowed and a new target or targets

thrown.

- a. Ammunition.
- b. Trap failure.
- c. Trap operator failure.

The following malfunctions will not be allowed and targets will be scored lost:

- a. Participant error.
- b. Failure to load gun.
- c. Failure of gun to fire (other than defective ammunition).
- d. Failure of gun to reload.

If a gun breaks through no fault of the participant, another gun may be borrowed and the activity continued. However, if the breakage occurs during the firing at a target, and the target is missed, it will be scored as lost.

LIGHT HUNTING RIFLE CHALLENGE

1. Light Rifle Challenge: Participants will move or walk through a rifle field course in a natural setting. The course is designed to simulate shooting situations encountered while hunting.
2. The Light Rifle Challenge will be conducted with the participants taking shots at swinging iron silhouettes and varying distances from 15 to 75 yards.
 - a. Participants may shoot from any position unless told different.
 - b. The stake with the station number is **not** to be used as a prop.
 - c. Magazines are not to be loaded until on the line with scorer. Preloaded magazines will be unloaded and reloaded.
3. Rifles: Only standard type .22 caliber rifles designed primarily for hunting will be permitted. All action types, except fully automatic, will be permitted. The rifle may not exceed eight and one half pounds in weight including telescope but without a sling and must have a safe trigger pull. Rifles may be equipped with a hunting sling not to exceed 1-1/2" (3.81 centimeters) in width. Rifles may be equipped with a sporter-type thumbhole stock (non-adjustable).

Sights will be open, peep with standard front post and bead, or hunting scopes fixed or

variable power optics nine power or less. Shooter may not change guns after firing begins, except in the event of a gun malfunction.

BRING YOUR OWN AMMUNITION. All ammunition used in this activity must be a standard or high velocity .22-caliber rifle cartridge. No super-hot, stingers or heavy bullets allowed (to protect targets). Bring the ammo in the original box. **This year, due to the ammo shortage, we will have 22 ammo for the contestants, if they do not have their own.**

No sight-in shots will be allowed once the Challenge begins.

4. The following will **not be permitted** for the Light Hunting Rifle Challenge:
- a. Clothing with added padding, stiffness or shirt cup designed to assist shooter in remaining steady;
 - b. Shooting mats;
 - c. Competition thumbhole stocks;
 - d. Palm rests or forearm of stocks exceeding 2-1/4" wide or 2-1/4" deep as measured from the center line of the bore;
 - e. Scopes, fixed, or variable power optics with capabilities greater than nine power;
 - f. Binoculars, monocular or spotting scopes;
 - g. Range finders;
 - h. Adjustable competition sling swivel;
 - i. Kneeling roll; and
 - j. Shooting sticks.

HUNTING MUZZLELOADING CHALLENGE

1. Hunting Muzzleloader Challenge: **Participants will be shooting steel knockdown or swingers at three distances from 20 to 75 yards.**
2. The Hunting Muzzleloader Challenge will be conducted with the participants taking shots at steel swinging targets at varying distance from 20 to 75 yards. Participants will shoot from three shooting positions.
 - a. Position number one will have a shooting distance between 20 yards and 35 yards. Participants will only shoot from a standing position with no props permitted at these distances.
 - b. Position number two will have a shooting distance between 36 and 50 yards. Participants may use any shooting position (excluding prone) with the vertical post prop or crossed sticks as the only aide.

- c. Position number three will have a shooting distance of 51 yards and 75 yards. Participants may use any shooting position and utilize any of the available props (log, crossed sticks, vertical post).
3. Muzzleloaders and Equipment: Any flintlock or percussion type muzzleloading rifles will be permitted. Participants are required to bring their own accessories, caps and powder. Muzzleloaders may have a set trigger, not to be set until ready to fire. Muzzleloaders may be equipped with a sling not to exceed 1-1/2 inches (3.81 centimeters) in width. Muzzleloaders may be loaded with a single patched lead ball or pure lead bullets. Muzzleloaders may be equipped with sporter type thumbhole stocks (non-adjustable).
4. Participants must load their own gun. Exceptions will be allowed for sub-juniors with the permission of the event coordinator or range officer.

The following **will not be permitted** for this event:

- a. Shooting mats,
- b. Scopes or telescopic sights,
- c. Spotting scopes,
- d. Range finders,
- e. Kneeling roll,
- f. Adjustable competition sling swivels,
- g. Competitive thumbhole stocks (adjustable),
- h. Metal jacketed bullets with sabots,
- i. More than **60 grains** of black powder or black powder substitute per load,
- j. Muzzleloaders larger than 54 caliber,
- k. Adapter kits that would change muzzleloader ignition,
- l. Smokeless powder,
- m. Open cans of powder on the shooting line (i.e., no caps on can),
- n. **Pure lead bullets/balls** weighing more than 385 grains, and
- o. Wooden ramrods.

YHEC MUZZLELOADING PROCEDURES

1. Three (3) targets per bank with four shooters per table. Each target and loading station will be numbered and shooter must load from that station.
2. Shooting will be Friday 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM and Saturday 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM.
3. Numbered score sheets will be issued by the Chief Range Officer. Shooters will be taken by order of number. Shooters must be present when **their** number is called or they will go to the bottom of the list.
4. Each line officer (scorer) will have a CO2 discharger.
5. No spotting and coaching from anywhere. No scope stands permitted.

6. Line officers at each table will serve as safety officers, will record the number of shots fired at each target and will score all hits.

COACHES COMPETITION

Coaches will be allowed to compete using the following guidelines:

1. Coaches will only be able to compete in Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, Muzzleloader, Wildlife ID, Responsibility Exam and Safety Trail.
2. Coaches will be able to compete **ONLY AFTER ALL** of your team members have completed that event.
3. Coaches must compete **IMMEDIATELY** after their team. Coaches must remain with their team.
4. Entry Fees will be \$30.00 per Coach.

CLASS: *circle one* Sub-Junior Junior Senior EMAIL _____

T-SHIRT SIZE _____ SHOTGUN GAUGE: *circle one* 12 20

COACH _____ TEAM NAME _____

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ENTRY FORM FOR COACHES

Primary Coach

NAME _____ COUNTY _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

TEAM NAME _____ T-SHIRT SIZE _____

Coach #2

NAME _____ COUNTY _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

TEAM NAME _____ T-SHIRT SIZE _____

Coach #3

NAME _____ COUNTY _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

TEAM NAME _____ T-SHIRT SIZE _____

Coach #4

NAME _____ COUNTY _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

TEAM NAME _____ T-SHIRT SIZE _____

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ENTRY FORM FOR **COMPETING COACHES**

#1

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

SEX: *circle one* M F SHOTGUN GAUGE: *circle one* 12 20

EMAIL _____ TEAM NAME _____

By signing this form I acknowledge that I will not be able to compete in HUNTER SAFETY TRAIL or ORIENTEERING.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

#2

NAME _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____

SEX: *circle one* M F SHOTGUN GAUGE: *circle one* 12 20

EMAIL _____ TEAM NAME _____

By signing this form I acknowledge that I will not be able to compete in HUNTER SAFETY TRAIL or ORIENTEERING.

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

ENTRY FEES: \$30 X _____ PARTICIPANTS = \$ _____

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NMSSA/YHEC
MAIL TO: 105 Sharps Ave, Clovis, NM 88101**

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PARTICIPANT MEDICAL HISTORY INFORMATION- PLEASE PRINT

NAME _____ DOB _____

ADDRESS _____

MEDICAL INSURANCE COMPANY _____

POLICY # _____ SEX: *circle one* M F

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PHONE _____

PHYSICIAN NAME _____ PHONE _____

Please circle "YES" or "NO" ALL INFORMATION WILL BE HELD CONFIDENTIAL

1. Are you allergic to any medication (aspirin, penicillin, etc.)? YES NO
If so please list _____

2. Do you take any medication on a permanent or semi permanent basis? YES NO
If so please list _____

3. Are you being treated for diabetes, high blood pressure or heart disease? YES NO
If so please list _____

4. Do you have any other illness/disease you have been treated for that you think we should know about? _____

5. Have you been told by a doctor that you have asthma? YES NO
If so please list _____

6. Are you currently taking any behavior modification medication? YES NO
If so please list _____

IMMUNIZATIONS: Tetanus Toxoid - Date of last inoculation: _____

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PARENT AUTHORIZATION

This Health History Questionnaire is correct to the best of my knowledge, and the person herein described has permission to engage in all activities, except as noted by a physician and me. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to a physician to hospitalize, secure proper anesthesia, or to order injection or surgery, or other medical procedures, required by the emergency situation for my son or daughter.

LIABILITY/MEDICAL RELEASE

If I am injured or suffer any illness or disease while residing at and participating in programs of the National Rifle Association (NRA) and/or NRA-Whittington Center and/or the New Mexico Shooting Sports Association, except as may be caused by the grossly negligent or reckless conduct of the NRA, and/or NRA-Whittington Center and/or the New Mexico Shooting Sports Association, the NRA Special Contribution Fund, and their agents, servants, employees and volunteers.

I represent that I am in good physical condition and I am not aware of any disease or injury that would be aggravated or result in my being incapacitated or injured during any program participation except as designated herein.

I give consent for the NRA, and/or NRA-Whittington Center and/or New Mexico Shooting Sports Association to provide medical attentions, transportation, and emergency medical services as warranted by the circumstances.

I further understand and agree to abide by the general rules of conduct prescribed for guests of the NRA-Whittington Center, and that violations may result in a denial of privileges, a forfeiture of all fees paid and immediate removal from NRA-Whittington Center property.

I (WE) HAVE READ THIS RELEASE. I (WE) HEREBY CONSENT AND AGREE TO THE TERMS OF THIS RELEASE, AND HEREBY WAIVE ANY CLAIMS(S) AS SET FORTH HEREIN. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT AFFECTS LEGAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES, AND I HEREBY AGREE TO ITS TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT _____

DATE _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GARDIAN _____

DATE _____