

# SHOOTING SPORTS



## Project Overview

The Shooting Sports project teaches firearm safety, sportsmanship, and appreciation for the outdoors through various disciplines.

## Key Learning Topics

- Range safety and discipline
- The parts of the firearm
- Fundamentals of firing a shot
- Ammunition types
- Firearm maintenance
- History and evolution of black powder compared to pyrodex (Muzzleloader).

## Resources

- National Rifle Association’s “The Basics of Pistol Shooting” Handbook 100.F-38
- Rifle Project Book 100.F-38
- Pistol Project Book 100.F-39
- Shotgun Project Book 100. F-40
- Muzzleloading Project Book 100.F44
- Archery Record Book 100.F-41A
- Shooting Sports Record Sheet

## Exhibit Guidelines

Exhibits demonstrate knowledge related to terms, history, parts, equipment, or techniques specific to the following disciplines:

- Rifle
- Shotgun
- Pistol
- Muzzleloading
- Archery
- Self-Determined advanced Shooting Sports Exhibit including SD Project Record Sheet 300.SD.1

## Expanding the Project

County, District, and State Contests  
Community Service ideas:

- Shooting range clean up.
- Help with Hunter Education courses in your county.
- Volunteer at a local gun club.

Leadership opportunities:

- State Shooting Sports Summit (Seniors)
- Club demonstration about firearm parts, history, or safety.
- Complete a local Hunter Education Course through the NM Game & Fish.
- Take a first aid course.
- Assist younger 4-H members at practice.