



2017-2018 RIFLE & PISTOL PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION



Valencia County 4-H Shooting Sports

First things first: Welcome to the 2018 year and big "Hello!" from Joel, Toma, Mike and all our coaches and approved volunteers for the Valencia County 4-H Shooting Sports, specifically, the AIR RIFLE, SMALLBORE (.22) RIFLE, AIR PISTOL & SPORT (.22) PISTOL programs. Our contact information is on the following page, and we want you to feel free in contacting us regarding any questions and suggestions you may have to make this rifle and pistol program here in Valencia County a better one.

We are USA Shooting/NRA/CMP Certified Coaches, USA Shooting International Rifle Officials, and approved Valencia county 4-H volunteers. Our primary goal is to develop in your child an appreciation for safe, exciting, and rewarding experiences while learning to shoot a rifle in international style rifle competitions.

We have a website: <http://www.VC4HSS.com> that has separate areas for each of the 4-H shooting sports disciplines. We try VERY hard to keep the related Rifle and Pistol areas updated to let everyone know about important announcements, practice changes, and competition results.

This website and emails are our PRIMARY and many times the only methods of distributing information, please feel free to visit and bookmark these pages for your information. Make sure we have an email address for your shooter.

We want to stress that this activity is not a "baby-sitting" activity and expect parents to participate at a minimum level of being at the practices and competitions to encourage, watch and learn this sport yourselves. We realize that occasionally you may need to run errands, but we must insist that you inform us before you leave the range and let us know when you will return. Coaches and Range Officers have overall authority during practices, training sessions, and matches. We require that all parents show respect and courtesy to these 4-H volunteers. Also, the Valencia County Fair Board and Zia Rifle & Pistol Club graciously allows us to use their facilities and requires that any child outside of the building be directly supervised by an adult.

There are 5 forms that we need for you to fill out (for each child in this activity) and return to us:
Please read, understand and fill out both sides of these three forms and return them to us, even if you have done so in previous years. Remember, you and your youth are responsible for complying with these codes.

We get significant funding for our programs from the New Mexico Department of Game & Fish

We receive up to \$100 per youth annually for purchase of equipment and supplies for our shooting program for each youth who participates in the Responsible Hunter Program. We know much of this is duplication, but every dollar we receive helps our programs keep our costs low.

1) The first a **Shooter Information form** has information required to shoot in 4-H, USA Shooting, CMP, and NRA competitions. This information is used to fill out the entry forms when we enter sanctioned competitions.

2) Next is a **Parental Code of Conduct** form (2 sides). Our goal is not only to teach the youth to shoot but how to graciously compete at the local, state and national levels. To do this we must have complete cooperation from the adults and thus parents and guardians will be held to the same standards as the youth in both dress and action.

3) The **New Mexico 4-H Youth Medical and Liability Release, Code of Conduct Contract and Media Release Form** (2 sides) that is basically an Informed Consent document as well as a permission for emergency medical care if you are not available. Note that as a requirement of our coaching credentials, the coaches maintain a current Red Cross First Aid certification. In addition, a majority of the funds required to run this program are received from the New Mexico Friends of the NRA thru generous grants. In the past seven years we have received over \$30,000 from Friends of NRA grants. We routinely take photos and use these in articles for the local newspapers and national publications to promote and announce the achievements of our shooters. If you take photos at practices and events that you would like to share and have placed on the website and articles, please get these to us (a CD is best).

4) The **New Mexico Department of Game & Fish Responsible Hunter Program Code of Conduct Policy and Procedure** form. (2 pages) This is NMDG&F's Code of conduct we also must follow. Very similar to the 4-H Code of Conduct.

5) The **New Mexico Department of Game & Fish Responsible Hunter Program Member Registration** form. (2 sides)
Again, almost a duplicate of the NM 4-H Member Info form.



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There are other informational pages that you should keep handy, or have your shooter keep in their project notebook:

A) Recommended Equipment. This is recommended equipment to participate in the project. By no means is this all required. Again, because of the NMFNRA grants, we have equipment available for shooters to use. The only **REQUIRED** item is a Shooter's Journal, which the CMP provides us, and thus your shooter, at no cost. We strongly recommend that **before** you go and purchase any other equipment, come and talk to us. We can usually get most of what is needed at a discount due to our 4-H status. **PLEASE DON'T BUY ANY EQUIPMENT BEFORE CHECKING WITH US** ... we have lots of loaner gear to try out first.

B) Dress Code and Conduct Requirements. We consider all practices, meetings, and competitions "**official 4-H Activities**" and require all participants, parents, and guests to adhere to these codes. Those not adhering to the Dress and Conduct codes will be asked to leave the practice, training session or rifle match.

We welcome any parents, guardians, grandparents, etc who wish to participate in being other project leaders. If you are interested in helping out, please let us know and we can steer you obtaining the necessary permissions and background checks from the State and County extension services.

2017-2018 County Approved Volunteer Rifle/Pistol Coaches:

JOEL MARTIN – JHM3rd@omartin.com – (505) 550-7988
Peralta, NM
Level 3 USA Shooting, NRA, CMP International Rifle Coach
Level 2 USA Shooting International Shotgun Coach
Member: National Coach Development Staff
USA Shooting Level 1 Rifle, Pistol, & Shotgun Official
NM 4-H Approved Shooting Sports Leader
Valencia County Approved Volunteer Leader

TOMA SHAVER – TomaShaver@q.com – (505) 307-2273
Bosque Farms, NM
Level 1 USA Shooting, NRA, CMP Rifle Coach
National & NM 4-H Approved Shooting Sports Leader
Valencia County Approved Volunteer Leader

MIKE SWANSON – MikeESwanson@gmail.com – (505) 453-7381
Level 1 USA Shooting, NRA, CMP Pistol Coach
Valencia County Approved Volunteer Leader

Valencia County 4-H Extension Agent

Vera Gibson – Valencia@NMSU.edu – (505) 565-3002
404 Courthouse Road
Los Lunas, NM 87031

WEBSITE – The Valencia County 4-H Shooting Sports Website may be accessed at:
<http://www.VC4HSS.COM>

Almost all information is passed to the shooters via the website – check it often

As participants in and representatives of the New Mexico 4-H Youth Development Program, the following clothing guidelines have been established for your involvement in state and national 4-H events.

State and National 4-H Event Clothing Guidelines

Clothing must be clean and free from holes and tears.

No bare skin exhibited between shirt and pants/shorts.

Skirts and shorts must be at least mid-thigh length.

Underclothing cannot be visible.

Layered look of a shirt with sleeves over spaghetti strap top is acceptable if sleeved shirt is kept on.

Hats will be removed by males and females inside buildings. Exception is that during dances hats may be worn.

If there is a session where formal/semi-formal attire is scheduled, the following apply:

- Male 4-H member must wear buttoned and collared shirt with tie, dress slacks or dark jeans with belt, and appropriate footwear.
- Female 4-H member must wear dress or skirt of at least mid-thigh length or slacks or dress jeans. Formal dress with spaghetti straps may be worn, but no strapless or backless. Appropriate footwear and blouse/top to accompany outfit.

Below are the following items that are prohibited:

No garments or buttons with offensive slogans, advertisement, or artwork.

No muscle shirts or long chains.

No tube tops, halter tops, spaghetti strap tops (exceptions above), off the shoulder tops, low cut tops, backless tops, and sheer shirts.

No swimwear visible outside of the pool area.

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Backless Shirt



Long Chains



Visible Midriff



Visible Undergarments & Spaghetti Straps



Muscle T-Shirt
(Guys)



Offensive Slogans,
Advertisements
or Artwork
on T-shirts and Hats



Halter Top



Low Cut Top



Visible Undergarments



Tube Top

Artwork by Cynthia Sperry, California, 2003
Muscle T-shirt and Cap Artwork by Jim Dewey Brown, 2006



Valencia County Shooting Sports 2017-2018 Air Rifle Project



Recommended Personal Equipment (last revision: August 2018)

- 1) **Shooters Journal** – ***REQUIRED!!*** See coach ... they are free
 - Have a few pencils & pens in the shooters bag
 - ***After each round of shooting, a shooter should be writing in their journal***
- 2) **Rulebook & Junior Air Rifle Safety Book** – Current “Blue Book” for the sport.
 - Purchase Rulebook from CMP (\$2) or download at <http://www.odcmp.com/3P.htm>
If you’re going to shoot, you should know the rules
- 3) **Shooters Bag** – Main compartment and some side compartments (~\$20 at Walmart)
Look around ... we’ve found nice bags at Walgreens (\$5) and Target (\$20)
- 4) **Safety Glasses** – **REQUIRED** for 4-H events --- two pair recommended
 - Clear or Yellow for indoor (Ask Coach – we have a pair for you)
 - Dark for outdoor
- 5) **Hearing Protection** – not required for air rifle, but help the shooters “tune out” the world
 - Earplugs work best for Air Rifle shooting
 - **REQUIRED** for smallbore (.22) shooting, again earplugs are best
- 6) **Sweatshirt** -- (up to two may be worn) - general padding and sling support
 - Heavy duty (non-stretching) are best ... such as a Carhart
 - ***They should be slightly small for a snug fit***
- 7) **Digital Countdown Timer**
 - 99 minute timers can be found in stores like Walmart for \$9 to \$20. For the 4-H 3-P Air events these are fine.
 - If the shooters wants to progress to International Air & Smallbore then a 99 hour timer is recommended for about \$15-\$25
- 8) **Shooting Shoes** – **only wear at practice Carry in your bag (above)**
 - Get a pair of low cut athletic or skateboard shoes ... *flat & no heel*
- 9) **Headband or Scrunchies** – (*Girls especially*) if the shooter has long hair, one of these to keep it out of their eyes

Optional Shooting Equipment

Please do not purchase any other personal equipment (rifle, scopes, stands, mats, gloves, etc) without checking with the coaches. You CANNOT find this specialized equipment in town. We have lots of gear to loan and use during practices and matches.

If you are wishing to purchase something for a birthday, Christmas, etc, talk to us and depending on where the shooter is in their progress we can make specific recommendations for your shooter and possibly direct you to discounts.



**2017-2018 RIFLE & PISTOL
COMPETITIONS
SHOOTER INFORMATION**

Valencia County 4-H Rifle Team
Valencia County 4-H Pistol Team
www.VC4HSS.com

Valencia County 4-H Shooting Sports

Shooters Name: _____
LAST, FIRST MIDDLE

Address: _____
Street

City, State, Zip

Date of Birth: MM/DD/YYYY Age: Years 4-H Division: Novice/Jr/SR (if known)

Last 4 of SSN: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____
This is the quickest way to get info out to the group ... Also check <http://www.vc4hss.com> for schedule

Valencia County 4-H Club: _____

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----- *If you know the info, please fill out below, if new don't worry* -----

NM Hunter Ed Card Number: _____

NRA Number: _____

National Rifle Association (If known ... NONE if not ... Shooter will use our Club Number We do need the last 4 of SSN)

CMP Number: _____

Civilian Marksmanship Program (If known ... NONE if not ... I can check and apply for one)

USA Shooting Number: _____ Expiration: _____

(If known) ... NONE if not ... If previously a member, shooter may have to renew to fire in the JO's)

This information is primarily used for registering the shooter for state and national competitions only. It is not shared in any other way.



VC4HSS - ADULT

New Mexico State University

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

U.S. Dept of Agriculture **300.A-4 (R- 2013)**

New Mexico 4-H Adult Medical and Liability Release

Code of Conduct Contract and Media Release Form

Please Print

First Name:		Last Name:	
Gender:	Male Female	Date of Birth:	Age:
Address:			
City/State:		Zip Code:	County:
Home/Work Phone:	Cell Phone:	Email:	
As a participant do you need an accommodation for a disability? Y N If yes, please list:		Do you have any food allergies? Y N If yes, please list:	

New Mexico 4-H Code of Conduct for ADULTS

The positive influence of caring, capable and responsible adults plays an important role in the lives of youth and the 4-H Youth Development Program. Adults working with 4-H youth are charged to lead by example and create a sense of belonging for the youth they support. Therefore, the adult, by signing this form agrees to conduct him or herself in a responsible manner and abide by all expectations as stated. **Participation may be terminated at the discretion of authorized CES Agent or the State 4-H Program Leader pursuant to rules and regulations established by New Mexico 4-H.**

Expectations

- To cooperate with, support and empower adult staff and youth leadership as they facilitate the 4-H program.
- To oversee the health, safety, and whereabouts of the young people I am responsible for.
- To act as an informal mentor to young participants and model appropriate behavior.
- To abide by the same rules as the youth, spelled out in the Code of Conduct and Clothing Guidelines; including full participation and no use or possession of alcohol, drugs or weapons, before, during or after an event and until the youth are released from my responsibility.
- To orient youth participants as to expectations of dress, manners, safety, punctuality, etc., for the event and to answer concerns and questions of the youth.
- To enforce all written and signed behavior expectations established for youth participating in the 4-H Youth Development Program.
- To consult with local and/or state 4-H program contacts in determining appropriate disciplinary action in the case of inappropriate youth behavior.
- To refrain from causing or demonstrating conflict with other parents, volunteers, chaperones or agents in front of the youth.
- To act in the best interest of the youth in the event of an emergency.
- To communicate with fellow adults and youth in an appropriate manner with no swearing, cursing or abusive language in all forms of communication, including social media.
- To not use my position of trust for personal advantage or profit/gain through any form of communication, including social media.
- To avoid sexual contact of any type with youth and/or personal displays of affection with other adults in the presence of youth.
- To not ignore situations involving bullying, hazing or harassment, nor fail to intervene if youth are being threatened, humiliated or intimidated by other youth or adults.
- If I will be transporting youth for any 4-H activity, I certify that I:
 - Have a valid driver's license.
 - Understand the responsibilities of safe driving.
 - Have vehicle insurance, individual liability and medical coverage:
 - Insurance Company _____ Policy # _____
 - Have no prior convictions for driving while impaired or driving while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

*For additional information or clarification related to conduct expectations or disciplinary actions refer to the New Mexico 4-H Policies and Procedures Manual.

I understand that as an adult I should model positive behaviors and lead by example. Also, I understand that my behavior not only affect the youth under my direct supervision but the entire 4-H Youth Development Program and that I represent myself, my club, county and state as well as the overall 4-H Program. Therefore, I have read and understand the expectations related to the Code of Conduct for Adults and agree to be bound by it.

Signature

Date



Participants in NMSU, Cooperative Extension Service, 4-H Youth Development Program events are sometimes photographed and videotaped for use in NMSU promotional and educational materials. I authorize New Mexico State University to record and photograph my image and/or voice for use by New Mexico State University or its assignees in research, educational, and promotional programs. I understand and agree that these audio, video, film, digital, and/or print images may be edited, duplicated, distributed, reproduced, broadcast, used in electronic and web media, and/or reformatted in any form and manner without payment of fees, in perpetuity. If you **DO NOT** consent to media release, please initial this line _____

New Mexico 4-H Medical Information
Medical Emergency Contact Information

Name:	Name:
Relationship:	Relationship:
Phone:	Phone:
Alternate Phone:	Alternate Phone:

Physician & Insurance Policy Information

I am covered by health insurance: Y N	
Insurance Company:	Policy/Plan #:
Policy Holder's Name:	Relationship to Participant:
Physician Name:	Physician Phone:

Health Information

Please indicate if you have any of the following medical conditions (**check all that apply**):

<input type="checkbox"/> Asthma	<input type="checkbox"/> Ear Infections	<input type="checkbox"/> Diabetes/Hypoglycemia
<input type="checkbox"/> Hay Fever	<input type="checkbox"/> Migraine Headaches	<input type="checkbox"/> Stomach/Intestinal
<input type="checkbox"/> Bronchitis	<input type="checkbox"/> Convulsions/Seizures	<input type="checkbox"/> Heart/Cardio Vascular
<input type="checkbox"/> Fainting Spells	<input type="checkbox"/> Muscular/Skeletal	<input type="checkbox"/> Emotional/Mental Disorders
<input type="checkbox"/> Skin Disease	<input type="checkbox"/> Eye/Ear/Nose/Throat	<input type="checkbox"/> Chronic Bone, Muscle or Joint Injuries
<input type="checkbox"/> Other condition(s): Please specify:		

Allergies or Reactions (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> Aspirin	<input type="checkbox"/> Penicillin	<input type="checkbox"/> Dairy	<input type="checkbox"/> Gluten	<input type="checkbox"/> Peanuts
<input type="checkbox"/> Insect Bites/Stings	<input type="checkbox"/> Ivy/Oak/Sumac	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (please list):		

Please list any medications (prescription or non-prescription) you are currently taking:

Release of Liability and Medical Authorizations

The health history provided is correct and complete to my knowledge. I understand that should information change throughout the course of the 4-H program year, I am responsible for updating this information and providing a revised form to my County Extension Office. If an injury or other medical condition occurs or arises and I am incapacitated, I hereby give permission to the designated 4-H Program representative to consent on my behalf to routine medical treatment and/or seek emergency medical treatment. I further authorize any licensed medical person/facility to treat me. I agree to assume full financial responsibility for any medical services provided.

I hereby release New Mexico State University, the New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service, the State of New Mexico or their employees, county 4-H program, the 4-H leaders, and the owners or operators of any property where the activity may take place, from liability in the event of illness, injury or loss occurring to myself or my personal belongings and will make no claim as a result thereof. I also understand that some activities/events may involve certain risks associated with physical activity or potential harm, including recreational games/activities and travel by motor vehicle to off-site activities.

Signature

Date



VC4HSS - YOUTH

New Mexico State University

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

U.S. Dept of Agriculture

300.A-3 (R- 2013)

New Mexico 4-H Youth Medical and Liability Release

Code of Conduct Contract and Media Release Form

Please Print

First Name:		Last Name:	
Gender:	Male Female	Date of Birth:	Age:
Address:			
City/State:		Zip Code:	County:
Home/Work Phone:	Cell Phone:	Email:	
As a participant do you need an accommodation for a disability? Y N If yes, please list:		Do you have any food allergies? Y N If yes, please list:	

New Mexico 4-H Code of Conduct

I pledge my Head to clearer thinking, means a 4-H'er is committed to learn the knowledge and skills to enable them to make wise decisions through opportunities that develop independence. By gaining a sense of independence, the 4-H'er is committed to exercise self-discipline, personal responsibility and become an independent thinker. Therefore, the youth, by signing this contract, agrees to conduct him or herself in a responsible manner and abide by all expectations as stated. **Participation may be terminated at the discretion of authorized CES Agent or the State 4-H Program Leader pursuant to rules and regulations established by New Mexico 4-H.**

Expectations

- Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
- Possession or use of harmful non-prescribed drugs is prohibited.
- Smoking or using other tobacco products is prohibited.
- Participants will show respect for the property and facilities used during the event and will assume financial responsibility for any damages they cause.
- Unauthorized absence from the event premises is not permitted.
- Participants will observe the curfew times as set forth in the event program and remain in their assigned room. Boys and girls are not allowed to be in each other's rooms for any reason.
- Participants will adhere to the State and National 4-H Event Clothing Guidelines.
- Participants will not threaten physical harm or take action with physical harm or verbal abuse.
- Cheating or misrepresentation at any 4-H event is prohibited.
- Participants will adhere to any and all rules at the designated 4-H event they are attending.

If I break this agreement, I understand the following disciplinary actions will be taken:

- I will be sent home immediately at my own expense and forfeit all 4-H awards and trips.
- I will be suspended from attending any State 4-H event for one year (defined as through that same event the following year) from the time of infraction.
- I will not be allowed at any time during the suspension year to represent 4-H in any leadership position on the county, state, or national level.
- I will not be allowed to represent 4-H at any state, regional, or national event during the suspension year.
- Second offenders will be ineligible to participate in any state, regional, or national event or hold a leadership position for the remainder of their 4-H career.
- I understand that the consumption, possession, or use of alcohol or harmful non-prescribed drugs by a minor is against the law, and I know that I may be reported to the proper authorities.
- I understand that failure to adhere to this agreement may result in disenrollment from the New Mexico 4-H Program.

*For additional information or clarification related to conduct expectations or disciplinary actions refer to the New Mexico 4-H Policies and Procedures Manual.

I understand that my behavior affects the entire 4-H Community and that I represent myself, my club, county and state 4-H program as well as the overall 4-H Youth Development Program. I have read and understand the expectations and penalties related to the Code of Conduct.

4-H Member's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Agreement of Expectations

I have read and understand the expectations and penalties related to the Code of Conduct and agree to be bound by them.

Parent/Guardian Signature (Must be signed by parent or guardian)

Date



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4-H Member's Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature (Must be signed by parent or guardian)

Date



New Mexico Department of Game & Fish Responsible Hunter Program

PO Box 25112, Santa Fe, NM 87504
505-476-8100

Code of Conduct Policy and Procedure

Safety is the number one priority whenever shooting.

While participating in shooting practice or events the participant and their parents/guardians, must adhere to the following code of conduct. All shooters must always conduct themselves in a safe and professional manner while at a shooting range without exception.

PROHIBITED CONDUCT

Major Offenses

The use of foul, offensive language or threatening language:

Acts or threats of violence:

Endangering, threatening, or causing physical harm to any spectator, member of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF) Responsible Hunter Program (RHP) or to oneself, causing any person to reasonably fear for their safety.

Pointing of firearms (of any kind) at other individuals

Use of alcohol, drugs (including prescription medication) and tobacco products immediately before or during periods when the participant can reasonably anticipate handling firearms, ammunition or both;

Violation of any criminal law of the State of New Mexico, especially those related to the misuse of firearms or violence against another person;

Destruction or defacing of any property including but not limited to graffiti;

Horseplay, i.e. play fighting, running or jumping on objects;

Violation of any criminal law of the State of New Mexico that is not classified as a felony.;

Knowingly giving false and misleading information to a coach or Game and Fish official.

Minor Offenses

Aggressive behavior

Throwing of equipment (hats, shells, etc.)

Rough handling of firearms;

Dress code violations;

Continued safety rule violations.

SAFETY RULES

1. Eye and ear protection is required on the shooting field at all times.
2. A hat with the brim facing forward is required for skeet and/or sporting clays.
3. When firearm is carried with muzzle pointed upward, the muzzle must be above the carrier's head, never under the brim of the hat.
4. AT NO TIME SHOULD A MUZZLE BE PLACED ON THE TOE OR FOOT. The muzzle can be placed on a rubber pad or carpet mat on the shooting station.
5. Your finger must be kept off the trigger until your sights are on target and you are ready to shoot or mounted and you are ready to call for the target.
6. Your firearm **MUST** be open and empty at ALL times except when on the station prepared to shoot.
7. You may **ONLY** load your firearm once you are on your shooting position and it is your turn to shoot.

NOTE: Break action firearms may have the action closed provided the firearm is secured in a firearm rack.

Trap shooters are permitted to have a shell in the chamber with the action open provided they remain facing downrange on their station and the range is "hot."

DRESS CODE

Clothing that promotes drugs, alcohol, tobacco, violence, is sexually suggestive, or displays inappropriate pictures or writing is prohibited.

Any clothing worn in a manner identified as gang-related is prohibited.

Jewelry that can pose safety hazards are prohibited.

Clothing must cover stomachs, backs, shoulders, chests and undergarments.

Footwear must be worn at all



times appropriate to the activity. For safety reasons, strapless shoes and heels are discouraged.

SANCTIONS

In the event that the Lead Instructor observes that a participant has committed a major offense, then the Lead Instructor will immediately stop all shooting by the participant and report the incident to the Shooting Program Coordinator at the New Mexico Game and Fish Department (Department). The Department will immediately conduct an investigation and during this investigation the participant will be suspended. If the offense is confirmed the participant will be suspended from the program for the minimum duration of one season for major offenses. The program supervisor has the discretion to expel a participant from the program when, following an investigation, a participant has engaged in Major Offenses. After a participant has been suspended, the participant may appeal the suspension and request reinstatement to the program (see participant appeal). An appeal must be made within 60 days of the suspension. In the case of a major offense, the affected participant may request that the Department review the appeal.

When a participant is determined to have committed a minor offense or violation of the safety rules, provided the safety violation does not also constitute a major offense, the Lead Instructor and coaching staff will determine the duration of the participant's suspension. This incident and suspension will be reported by the Lead Instructor to the Department. The Department will review the findings by the lead instructor and may revise the finding and/or sanction.

Safety violations during RHP events will result in one warning to the participant. A second safety violation will result in the disqualification of the individual from the event. The exception to this is any incident involving major offenses or the placement of muzzles on a participant's toes which will result in immediate disqualification.

The Department retains the right to review any suspension. The decision of the Department after any review is final. The Department and Lead Instructor have the right to remove a participant from RHP for failure to adhere to the shooter's code of conduct.

PARTICIPANT APPEAL OF SUSPENSION

A participant removed from the program for first time major offenses may appeal for next season reinstatement. In no scenario will a participant be reinstated for the same season in which they were expelled for major offenses. The participant is the only individual who may petition for reinstatement. No parent/guardian or coach may do it on their behalf.

A participant petitioning for reinstatement must do so in writing. He/She must demonstrate that he or she is aware that there is no tolerance for that type of behavior in this shooting program. The participant must demonstrate understanding of the code of conduct, sportsmanship and ethics, how it applies to the shooting sports and in which way they violated the code of conduct and the spirit of the code. The appeal must be accompanied by a letter from the participant explaining why they should be reinstated into the program directed to the Shooting Program Coordinator and a letter from a non-related adult supporting the participant's understanding of the code of conduct, sportsmanship and ethics. Appeals will not be excepted after August 31st for the previous season (the season is July 1 thru June 30).

This information will then be evaluated by an appeal board at the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish composed of the Shooting Program Coordinator, Information and Education Chief, an individual from the Department's Law Enforcement Branch, and a volunteer RHP Club Leader. The Appeal Board will evaluate all information and decide on possible reinstatement. The board must respond in writing within 45 days of receiving the appeal.

Once the Appeal Board determines that reinstatement is possible it will be the final determination of the Lead Instructor of the Club if they will accept the participant back into their club for the next or subsequent seasons. If the Appeal Board denies reinstatement, the participant may appeal the following year. Only one appeal per season will be permitted.

Please sign and return this portion to your Club Leader with the remainder of your registration paperwork.

By participating in the Responsible Hunter Program (RHP) I have received a copy of the code of conduct and that I am responsible for knowing its contents and complying with its provisions. I agree to accept instruction from a certified RHP Instructor in an organized RHP activity. I, and my parents/guardians understand that the Lead Instructor can issue warnings to participants for code of conduct, safety and ethics violations. Further, I understand that you may be suspended or expelled from the RHP program for violations of the code of conduct or sportsmanship and ethics contract.

Participants must have a parent or guardian present at events or training programs.

I understand and agree to all posted firearms and range safety rules, the code of conduct, and program rules and procedures.

Name of Student Participant (Print Name)

Signature

Date

As the parent/guardian of _____, I understand that my child/children are
Name of Child or Name of Minor
bound by all rules and regulations that the RHP has adopted, to include the code of conduct and further that as their parent or guardian have received a copy of the code of conduct and that I am responsible for knowing its contents and complying with its provisions.

Name of Parent or Guardian (Print Name)

Signature

Date

Valencia County 4-H Shooting Sports (VC4HSS)



New Mexico Department of Game & Fish

2017-18 Responsible Hunter Program

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MEMBER REGISTRATION

Name _____ NMDGF CIN _____
 Address _____ Date of Birth _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____
 Parent's Work Phone (if applicable) _____ Cell Phone _____
 Email Address _____
 Name of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) _____

DEMOGRAPHICS

Gender ☐ Male
☐ Female

Race
Optional

☐ White
☐ Black or African American
☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native
☐ Asian
☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

Ethnicity ☐ Hispanic or Latino
Optional ☐ Not Hispanic or Latino

CLUB INFORMATION

Name of Club _____

Is this your primary NMDGF club: ☐ Yes ☐ No If no, name of primary club: _____

CODE OF CONDUCT

Safety is the number one priority at any shooting event. Members must adhere to the following code of conduct. All members must always conduct themselves in a safe and professional manner while at a shooting range or club function without exception. Prohibited behavior:

- The use of foul, offensive language or threatening language;
- Acts or threats of violence;
- Endangering, threatening or causing physical harm to any spectator, member of New Mexico Department of Game and Fish (NMDGF) Responsible Hunter Program (RHP) or to oneself, causing any person to reasonably fear for their safety;
- Pointing of firearms of any kind at other individuals;
- Use of alcohol, drugs (including prescription medication) and tobacco products immediately before or during periods when the member can reasonably anticipate handling firearms, ammunition or both;
- Violation of any criminal law of the State of New Mexico related to the misuse of firearms or violence against another person;
- Destruction or defacing of any property including but not limited to graffiti.
- Members must not participate in horseplay, aggressive behavior or give false or misleading information to a leader or Game and Fish official. Horseplay may include actions such as: pointing blowguns and other projectile devices at others or pretending inanimate objects are firearms and pointing at others.

Members must obey the following safety rules at all time:

1. Eye and ear protection is required on the shooting field at all times.
2. A hat with the brim facing forward is required for skeet and sporting clays.
3. When a firearm is carried with the muzzle pointed upward, the muzzle must be above the carrier's head, never under the brim of a hat.
4. AT NO TIME SHOULD A MUZZLE BE PLACED ON THE TOE OR FOOT, this will result in immediate disqualification from an event. The muzzle can be placed on a rubber pad or carpet on the shooting station.
5. Your finger must be kept off the trigger until your gun is mounted and you are ready to call for the target or you are on target.
6. The chamber of your firearm MUST be open and empty at ALL times except when on the firing line prepared to shoot.
 NOTE: Break action firearms may have the action closed provided the firearm is secure in a firearm rack.
7. You may ONLY load your firearm once you are on your shooting position and it is your turn to shoot.
 NOTE: Trap shooters are permitted to have a shell in the chamber with the action open provided they remain facing downrange on their station and the range is "hot."

I _____, HAVE RECEIVED A COPY OF THE RHP CODE OF CONDUCT AND I UNDERSTAND
Member's Name THAT I MUST COMPLY WITH ITS TERMS AND THE TERMS CONTAINED IN THIS
 REGISTRATION FORM. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH ANY RULE OR REGULATION ADOPTED BY THE RHP CONSTITUTES
 GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION FROM THE RHP.

Member Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____



INFORMED AND CONSENT RELEASE AGREEMENT

I understand that participation in NMDGF Responsible Hunter Program activities involve a certain degree of risk and can be physically, mentally, and emotionally demanding. I also understand that participation in these activities is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by applicable rules and standards of conduct.

In case of an emergency involving me or my child, I understand that every effort will be made to contact the individual listed as the emergency contact person. In the event that this person cannot be reached, permission is hereby given to the medical provider selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for me or my child.

I have carefully considered the risk involved and give consent for myself and/or my child to participate in these activities. I approve the sharing of the information on this form with NMDGF volunteers and professionals who need to know of medical situations that might require special consideration for the safe conducting of shooting activities.

I release the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all claims or liability arising out this participation.

Member Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

EMERGENCY MEDICAL INFORMATION

Regular Medication Required

Types of activities prohibited due to physical limitations

List any chronic ailments

Allergies (food, drug, insect, etc.)

Immunizations: Mumps yes no

Measles yes no

Tetanus yes no

Other yes no Explain _____

Any additional information coaches should be aware of in case of a medical emergency: _____

Other Emergency Contact _____ Phone(s) _____

Relationship _____ Phone(s) _____

Address _____

TALENT RELEASE

I hereby assign and grant to the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings made of me at all Responsible Hunter Program activities, and I hereby release the NMDGF, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all liability from such use and publication.

I hereby authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage, and/or distribution of said photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings without limitation at the discretion of the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing.

Member Signature _____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____