

SHOTGUN SHOOTING



Introduction

Your challenge as a summer camp merit badge counselor is to see that the Scouts who attend your session have the best opportunity to learn about shotgun shooting. It is important that they have a positive experience. This lesson plan is designed to help you plan a logical, high-quality program. You may have to use a slightly different approach in presenting the material based on your camp resources and facilities.

Resources

Be sure to utilize all the resources available to you. State and federal agencies or other organizations, such as National Rifle Association or shooting clubs, can provide you with a variety of materials and support to help you present the Shotgun Shooting merit badge program.

| DAY | ACTIVITY | DESCRIPTION |
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| 1 | Greet Scouts | A. Examine all merit badge cards for the Scoutmaster's signature. Make a roster of the Scouts. Each Scout also should inform you of which option they will select, (A) modern cartridge type or (B) muzzleloading. |
| | Discuss | B. Review requirement 1, parts a-e. |
| | Tour | C. Tour the shotgun range(s) and discuss shooting procedures. |
| | Discuss | D. If time permits, finish your discussion of requirements 1f-i. |
| 2 | Observe/Discuss | A. If option A is selected, review parts a-k and sign off requirements that are completed. |
| | Demonstrate/ Shoot | B. Begin shooting targets for requirement 1, if you are shooting for option A. |
| | Demonstrate/ Shoot | C. If option B is selected, review parts a-m and sign off requirements that are completed. |
| | Demonstrate/ Shoot | D. Begin shooting targets for requirement n if you are shooting for option B. |
| 3 | Shoot | A. Continue shooting for option A, requirement 1. |
| | Shoot | B. Continue shooting for option B, requirement n. |
| 4 | Shoot | A. Continue shooting for option A, requirement 1. |
| | Shoot | B. Continue shooting for option B, requirement n. |

Reminder C. Remind the Scouts that tomorrow is the last day to shoot and complete any requirements not related to shooting.

Note D. Inform the Scoutmaster of any Scout who might not complete the badge.

- 5 Wrap up A. Wrap up all the requirements. Prepare the merit badge cards for the proper signatures. If any Scout does not complete all the requirements, make sure that his records properly indicate the requirements that he has completed and that the Scout knows why he did not complete the badge requirements.
- B. Submit necessary records to camp program director.