

What is Shooting Sports?

Shooting sports is an active program, attractive to youth and adult audiences. The program uses hands-on learning and positive interaction with youth and adult leaders to help young people develop self-concept, self-assurance and a positive self-image.

Shooting Sports has strong links to natural resources, wildlife, outdoor recreation and safety. The content is drawn from sports medicine, psychology, education, biological and physical sciences, engineering, mathematics, technology, as well as American traditions, folklore and history.



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How do I join?

Youth in fourth through twelfth grade are eligible to join 4-H Shooting Sports. Parents need to fill out enrollment, medical, and ethics forms. These can be picked up at the Extension office or at Shooting Sports meetings. When enrolled, you have the choice to belong to a traditional 4-H community club at no additional charge, though you are not required to.

Contact **Iowa State University Extension, Woodbury County** for more information.



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4-H Shooting Sports

Learn By Doing



Program Objectives

- To teach safe and responsible use of firearms and archery equipment.
- To practice decision-making, self-discipline, and concentration.
- To promote safety, sportsmanship and ethical behavior.
- To expose youth and families to recreational activities related to the shooting sports.
- To complement existing safety and hunter education programs.



Disciplines in Woodbury County:

Archery



The archery discipline is the most recent addition to the Woodbury County Shooting Sports program.

Archery is open to fourth through twelfth graders throughout the year. Meetings are held one evening a week, usually in six week blocks. Archery meetings are currently held at Briar & Bow in Sioux City. Outdoor archery meetings may be scheduled for the spring and summer months.

There is a one time *fee of \$20 to participate in Shooting Sports. All equipment is provided for those who do not own any. Youth are welcome to bring what equipment they have. Instructors will check everything to ensure it meets 4-H safety guidelines.

Shotgun

The shotgun discipline is offered to youth 11 years and older in the spring, summer, and fall months of the year. Meetings are held one evening a week, weather permitting, at the LeMars Sportsman's Club.

There is a one time *fee of \$20 to participate, plus the cost of ammunition. Ammunition can be purchased at the meetings for a small fee.

Participants in the shotgun discipline are eligible to compete at competitions throughout the year. Iowa 4-H holds a yearly State Meet and National Qualifier Match for all Shooting Sports disciplines.



***Please note: The \$20 fee covers participation in all disciplines for that 4-H year.**