



South Dakota 4-H Shooting Sports National Selection Eligibility Requirements



Basic Requirements:

1. Must be an enrolled SD 4-H member. This must be accomplished before shooting in qualification event.
2. Must be a Senior 4-H member to attend the National Championships as a competitor. Most teams require that you be a senior competitor at the time of participation in qualifying event. In some events with lower participation, we may occasionally go into the JR participation pool to select a potential competitor who will be aging into the SR ranks before nationals.

Specific Discipline Requirements:

Archery (Compound and Recurve)

1. Participants must **compete in the 4-H Outdoor Tournament** (currently held in Yankton) competition in both competitions that weekend.
 - a. Field Archery
 - b. FITA
2. Qualify and **shoot at the State Shoot** in Pierre (referred to as the Indoor Tournament), in their chosen archery discipline (recurve or compound).
3. Shoot the **How-Kota 3-D Archery tournament**, in the archers chosen discipline.
4. If the archer wishes to be considered for both teams (recurve and compound) the archer must compete at the indoor tournament and the 3-D event with both types of bows.

Shotgun

1. Qualify and shoot **Trap** at the state shoot event. Team selection occurs the fall before the calendar year competition. Ex. 2022 team selected in September 2021).
2. Shoot **Sporting Clays** at state shoot.
3. Shoot **Skeet** at state shoot.

Air Pistol

1. Qualify and shoot in the Air Pistol event at state shoot in Pierre.
2. Shoot Air Pistol Silhouettes at state shoot.

Air Rifle

1. Qualify and shoot in the Air Rifle event at state shoot in Pierre.
2. Shoot Air Rifle Silhouettes at state shoot.

22 Rifle

1. Qualify in either CMP or 22 3-P and shoot both events at State Shoot in Pierre.
2. Shoot Silhouettes if available. A bonus point will be added to you score for selection purposes if you shoot these if/when available.

22 Pistol

1. Qualify in 22 Pistol and shoot event at State Shoot in Pierre.
2. (Optional) Shoot Silhouettes if available. A bonus point will be added to your score for selection purposes if you shoot these if/when available.

Muzzleloading

1. Qualify in Muzzleloading Bullseye and shoot entire Muzzleloading event during fall shoot. Team selection occurs the fall before the calendar year competition. Ex. 2022 team selected in September 2021.

Hunting

1. The Hunting Team is currently selected through an application process.

Team selected through application (process and procedure).

1. If applications are received on time, exceed spots available, additional selection competitions will be held. Participation in those additional events is required for continued consideration in that discipline.
2. If there are not enough applicants at the time of application close, additional applications will continue to be accepted. Application acceptance will close a week after the minimum required to field a team (4 person) is achieved.
 - a. Those who have complete application materials turned in on time will be given team selection preference.
 - b. If the additional applicants lead to their being more applicants than available positions. Those applying late will be required to participate in additional events/competitions if they want to continue being considered for events.

Requirements after participants are notified of selection for national teams.

1. Return required paperwork in a timely manner (by due date) to the trip coordinator/state coordinator.
 - a. Give email address which is checked regularly!!!
 - b. Give working communication channels (phone number, emails, etc.)
2. Deposits will no longer be required (Sept 2023 Meeting). However as a general policy see below.
 - a. If this is a financial hardship – visit with trip coordinator/state coordinator to work something out.
 - b. FAILURE TO FOLLOW DIRECTIONS AND MEET DUE DATES WILL FORFEIT YOUR TEAM SELECTION AND WE WILL MOVE ON TO ALTERNATES.

Formulas for determining top qualifying seniors

Muzzleloader: Bottles + Critters + Bullseye

Shotgun: (Trap/2) + Skeet + Sporting Clays

.22 Pistol: (Bullseye x 2) + Timed Total + 1 point if silhouettes are shot

.22 Rifle: CMP + Precision Score + 1 point if silhouettes are shot

Air Pistol: Bullseye + (Timed Fire x 2) + (Silhouettes x 10)

Air Rifle: 3- Position + (Standing x 1.5) + (Silhouettes x 10)

Archery: Bullseye + 3-D (How Kota shoot) + Fita + Field

Hunting Skills: **65% Written Test** + **5% Rifle** participation at state, this year or last (0 pts or 5 pts awarded) + **5% Archery** participation at state, this year or last (0 pts or 5 pts awarded) + **5% Shotgun** participation at state, this year or last (0 pts or 5 pts awarded) + **10% Refence Letter** (scored as a value 1-10) + **5% National Team Experience** (0 pts or 5 pts awarded) + **5% other discipline participation** (Pistol, muzzleloading, Western Heritage) (0 pts or 5 pts awarded)