



Five Rivers Council, BSA Shooting Sports Activity Safety & Operational Requirements



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Reference: National BSA Shooting Sports Manual & National BSA Camp Accreditation Program

The Five Rivers Council Shooting Sports Committee has responsibility for and is the sole approving authority related to any shooting sports activity conducted at the council, district or unit level.

Responsibility is throughout the entire calendar year on any camp, community or personal property within council or out of council territory.

All activities are subject to the rules, regulations, policies, procedures, guidelines, recommendations and suggestions found in the above referenced documents.

BSA Shooting Sports Manual - Chapter 4: Council Shooting Sports Committee Organization

It is strongly recommended that all Boy Scout councils have a shooting sports committee. The purpose of the committee is to manage and provide resources to the council, the camping committee, and the council camps for all activities involving shooting sports whether during summer camps or during year-round shooting opportunities. All shooting sports activities should be coordinated through the shooting sports committee to verify that a safe and responsible program is planned and conducted by properly trained and currently certified personnel.

BSA Shooting Sports Manual - Council Shooting Sports Committee Chair Responsibilities

The organization should be composed of a shooting sports chairman/coordinator with a working understanding of summer camp and off-season programs, and the knowledge, skills, and attitude to organize and run safe ranges and shooting sports programs. The chairman is appointed by the council president or his or her designee. The committee shall report to the council vice president for program, the camping committee chair, the health and safety chair, or the council risk management committee chair as appropriate for the individual council organization.

National Camp Accreditation Program 2018 - Shooting Standards Sections

Program Specific	Shooting Sports:	Archery Programs	PS-213-1 (Rev. January 1, 2017)
	Shooting Sports:	Firearms Programs	PS-214-1 (Rev. January 1, 2017)
	Shooting Sports:	Firearms Range Staff	SQ-407-1 (Rev. January 1, 2018)
	Shooting Sports:	Archery Range Staff	SQ-408-1 (Rev. January 1, 2017)
	National BSA:	https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/shooting-sports/	





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Program Level Shooting Sports Approved Activities

CUB SCOUTS Council Level Day Camp; Resident Camp; Family Camp
 District Level Camporee/Winteree
 Unit Level **NOT AUTHORIZED BY THE BSA**

Approved Activities BB-Guns; Pellet Rifles for Webeles ONLY
 Archery - Long & Compound Bows ONLY
 Slingshots & Catapults
 Water, Rubber Band & Marshmallow Guns at Targets ONLY

Not Approved *All Other Forms of Shoot Devices*

BOY SCOUTS Council Level Summer Camp; Council Trek Camps; Family Camp
 District Level Camporee/Winteree
 Unit Level Weekend Events - **CONTACT SHOOTING SPORTS COMMITTEE CHAIR BELOW**

Approved Activities BB-Guns; Pellet Rifles; .22 Caliber Bolt Action Rifles; Shotguns
 Black Powder; Archery - Long & Compound Bows
 Tomahawk & Knife Throwing; Slingshots; Catapults
 Paint Ball Activities Shooting at Targets ONLY
 Water, Rubber Band & Marshmallow Guns at Targets ONLY

Not Approved *Revolvers or Semi-Automatic Pistols; High Power Rifles*

VENTURERS Council Level Summer Camp; Council Trek Camps; Family Camp
 District Level Camporee/Winteree; Area Events
 Unit Level Weekend Events - **CONTACT SHOOTING SPORTS COMMITTEE CHAIR BELOW**

Approved Activities BB-Guns; Pellet Rifles; Rifles; High Power Rifles; Shotguns
 Revolvers and Semi-Automatic Pistols; Competitive Shooting
 Hunting Trips; Black Powder; Archery - Long & Compound Bows
 Tomahawk & Knife Throwing; Slingshots; Catapults
 Paint Ball Activities Shooting at Targets ONLY
 Water, Rubber Band & Marshmallow Guns at Targets ONLY

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