

2022 Muzzleloader Coaches Letter

Dear Muzzleloading Coaches, Competitors, and Parents:

We welcome you to the 2022 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships. A lot of time and effort is being put into making this a memorable experience for you. Here are some guidelines to make your participation a positive experience.

- During matches, please offer words of encouragement, save the coaching for the practice rounds. We have our plates full making sure that the matches are conducted safely and fairly, and don't want to spend our time watching coaches or parents. You have done your job getting the competitors to this point, and now it is time for them to shine. Please set the example of sportsmanship for every other discipline.
- Competitors are the only ones that can bring concerns to the ROs during the matches. We will entertain a concern from a coach if it pertains to an immediate safety issue or blatant breach in rules or conduct by competitors, coaches, parents, or spectators.
- Please talk to your parents that are attending, we enjoy talking with them, but we will not entertain complaints from them. Please have them contact you with their concerns and you can contact one of us.
- Please remember that 4-H is a positive youth development program, and everyone has signed the 4-H Code of Conduct. Please talk to your competitors, I understand ribbing each other in a group but keep the language clean and do not degrade each other.
- Bringing extra firearms and equipment is encouraged. Please make sure that you check in any extra equipment at the designated check-in time. That way, in case of a breakdown, we can get the competitor back to the competition quickly and not have to take the time to go over the replacement firearm and make sure it meets all the rules.
- We will provide a practice target and all scoring targets. Sighter targets provided by us, may not be the same as the scoring targets. If you want sighter targets to match scoring targets, consider bringing your own. (i.e. - sighter target may be an 8 ½" x 11" piece of paper that you can place a dot on).
- If you are looking for a range to practice at, contact the Heartland Public Shooting Park for ant availability. You will **NOT** be able to practice on the official ranges, but they may have another area for you to practice if needed. (Practice is **NOT** allowed on competition ranges except for scheduled event practices with official range officers present!!)

We hope you have a great time and thank you for your cooperation. We have enclosed a wealth of information for you to review. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel

free to contact us, or talk to us at the tournament. Have safe travels, and we look forward to seeing you all in Grand Island! Below is my contact information. Please call or email with questions.

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