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- To: Idaho 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors & University of Idaho Extension Offices
- From: Tina Miller University of Idaho Interim State Shooting Sports Coordinator Extension Educator 4-H

Re: 2023 State 4-H Shooting Sports – Hunting Skills Contests

We are in the process of finalizing plans for the 2023 4-H Shooting Sports Hunting Skills Contest, which will be held on Saturday, November 4th at the Jerome County Fairgrounds, in Jerome, Idaho. Check-in will begin at 8:30 AM with the various contest components starting promptly at 9:00 AM. The goal is to conclude no later than 2:00 PM to enable safe travel home.

This contest will include the Hunter Decision Making, Hunter Skills and Wildlife Identification/Management discipline events as found in the Idaho 4-H Shooting Sports rules (effective October 1, 2021); a copy can be found at https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/4h/programs/shooting-sports/events. Due to weather considerations and facilities, contestants will only shoot the archery component of the Hunter Decision Making event on November 4th.

Youth Registration & Equipment

A copy of the Youth Registration Form and Hunting Equipment Check-in Form is attached to this email, for your convenience. Please be sure to share this information with potentially interested youth and families with whom you work. You will note on the registration form that individuals <u>must</u> be currently enrolled in the 4-H Shooting Sports – Hunting project in order to participate.

All registration forms must be completely filled out (including coach and Extension verification sections) and mailed with the registration fee to the Jerome County Extension office, <u>postmarked no later than</u> <u>October 27th</u>. Any registrations postmarked after October 27th will not be accepted.

Participants are responsible for bringing all their required Archery equipment to this contest. They will turn in their Hunting Equipment Form and have their equipment inspected on November 4th, during the check-in process from 8:30 – 9:00 AM.

Recognition

Ribbons to the top five individuals within each age division, for both of the following discipline events. Rosettes to the top five juniors, intermediates, and seniors overall within each discipline, based on combined event scores.

<u>Discipline</u>	Event 1	Event 2
Hunting	Hunter Skills / Wildlife ID & Mgmt.	Hunter Decision Making / Shooting

The top five eligible Senior division contestants within each discipline may qualify to advance and represent Idaho at the 2024 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships (June 24 – 29) in Grand Island, Nebraska.

Questions

For specific logistics and venue-related questions or general shooting sprots questions, contact Tina Miller at 208-734-9590 (office) 208-358-8417 (cell) or via email at <u>tdickard@uidaho.edu</u>.

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