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Guidelines for Virtual 4-H Shooting Sports Activities



For the safety of our 4-H members and volunteers, the Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports program follows stringent guidelines and training structures set by both the National and Michigan 4-H programs. During this period of virtual programming, 4-H youth and volunteers are reminded that 4-H Shooting Sports activities that require handling of shooting equipment cannot be performed without the physical, in-person presence of our certified coaches. Alternative suggested activities for virtual programming are listed below.

Without the in-person presence of a certified 4-H Shooting Sports instructor, 4-H members are:

<i>Encouraged to:</i>	<i>Suggested topics:</i>	<i><u>Not permitted to:</u></i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a poster, video or demonstration • Host a virtual guest speaker • Organize games that test skills or demonstrate knowledge of safety. Skill-a-thon style platforms include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>KaHoot!</i> • <i>Family Feud</i> • <i>Jeopardy</i> • <i>Quizziz</i> • <i>BINGO</i> • <i>GooseChase (scavenger hunt)</i> • Host a virtual field trip or video viewing party and debrief together (equipment manufacturing plant, wildlife management lands, hunter education videos, Olympian tournament or shooting footage to analyze technique) • Static exhibits (construct a quiver; design targets, like “battleship” targets, etc.) • Meet virtually with your club to plan a community service project to be held once clubs meet in-person • Plan a club event (fun shoot, tournament, recreational gathering) in preparation for a time when a certified instructor is present • Create club brochures or newspaper articles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety • Parts of equipment • STEM activities (such as building marshmallow catapults or discuss Archery’s Paradox; see lesson plans on MSU Extension website) • Hunter education • Risk management • Record books • Wildlife management • Equipment care and cleaning • Life skills activities (ask your county PC for suggestions) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Handle shooting equipment</u> in conjunction with a 4-H sponsored event without the physical presence of a certified instructor. • <u>Fire shooting equipment</u> in conjunction with a 4-H sponsored event without the physical presence of a certified instructor. This includes postal/virtual shoots, or posters, videos, or demonstrations involving handling of equipment. • Clubs may not loan out equipment.

Have ideas not listed? Please share suggestions with your 4-H county program coordinator and Laura Quist.

If you have questions, contact Laura Quist, quistla1@msu.edu or call 231-942-7552.

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