

SOUTH PLAINS - DISTRICT 2 4-H

**DATE:** August 15, 2023

**MEMO TO:** All South Plains District 2 County Extension Agents, Coaches, Parents, and 4-H Members

**SUBJECT:** 2023 District 2 4-H Pistol Contest

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**JUNIOR & INTERMEDIATE CONTEST**

**CONTEST DATE:** November 8, 2023

**CONTEST LOCATION:** Floyd County Friends Unity Center. 990 FM786 Lockney, TX 79241

**CHECK IN:** 9:00 a.m. (Juniors)  
12:30 p.m. (Intermediates)

**CONTEST BEGINS:** 9:30 a.m. (Juniors)  
1:00 p.m. (Intermediates)



**SENIOR CONTEST:**

**CONTEST DATE:** November 8, 2023

**CONTEST LOCATION:** Floyd County Friends Unity Center. 990 FM786 Lockney, TX

**CHECK IN:** 4:30 p.m.

**CONTEST BEGINS:** 5:00 p.m.

**ALL AGES:**

**REGISTER VIA:** 4HOnline

**4-H Online OPENS:** October 8, 2023

**4-H Online CLOSSES:** **October 29, 2023**

**ENTRY FEE:** \$15.00 on 4HOnline/ per event – NO ADDITIONAL PAYMENT AT THE DOOR!

**CONTACT:** Caitlin Frederick, (806) 675-2347

**Remember:** All pistol contest participants must register for the contest on 4HOnline and pay a \$15.00 entry fee. *Please bring all pistols in a case empty & unloaded.* Please complete the pistol permission slip for each 4-Her and bring to the contest. 4-Hers must compete in all 3 contests to be eligible for overall awards.

Contestants must provide all their own safety equipment. We also need 6-10 certified pistol coaches to assist throughout the day and we need 5 adult volunteers to help score.

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**GRADE REQUIREMENTS** - Grade is based on 2023-2024 school year effective as of 09/01/23.

- **Junior** - Grades 3, 4 & 5 (and minimum age of 8)
- **Intermediate** - Grades 6, 7, & 8
- **Senior** - Grades 9, 10, 11, & 12

Counties may bring as many junior, intermediate, and senior individuals as they wish. These shooters will compete for individual awards.

**Reminder:** As determined by the District Shooting Sports Task Force, Senior shooters (participants only) will be allowed the opportunity to review their targets and will have a protest procedure if they disagree with their scores. This is similar to the State Contest. Again, it is the shooter's responsibility and option.

### **Dress Code**

Participants and spectators are required to dress appropriately. Team uniforms or shirts are encouraged, but not required. Both young people and adults should wear attire appropriate for the weather while remaining modest and socially acceptable. Shooters must wear a shirt with sleeves. Clothing deemed immodest or distracting to other shooters will not be permitted. Where eye and/or ear protection is required, fully enclosed shoes must be worn for safety reasons for both shooters and spectators. This includes in front of the firing line when checking targets.

## **EVENTS TO BE OFFERED**

### **AIR PISTOL**

**Target:** NRA B-40

**Distance:** 10 meters or 33 feet

**Position:** **Junior:** Juniors will shoot from a supported two-handed position at the bench using a sandbag or equivalent. Note that only the butt of the gun and/or the hands may be in contact with the sandbag. The arms may not touch the rest or any surface above the wrist.  
**Intermediate:** Will shoot from a two-handed standing position.  
**Senior:** Will fire from the standard, one-handed standing position.

**Time Limits:** **Junior:** 15 minutes running time  
**Intermediate:** 30 minutes running time  
**Senior:** 45 minutes running time

**Course of Fire:** **Junior:** 10 record shots fired at three scoring bulls (3, 3, 4) in any order.  
**Intermediate:** 20 record shots fired at three scoring bulls (7, 7, 6) in any order.  
**Senior:** 30 record shots fired at six scoring bulls, (5 shots per record bull)

**Equipment:** Any .177 caliber (4.5 mm) air pistols weighing less than 3.3 pounds with a trigger pull of at least 17.6 ounces. No release triggers may be used. Pellets must be single loaded. Open, metallic sights only. No peep, red dot or scopes allowed.

**Note:** Hot weather may cause air pistols to malfunction. Suggest that CO<sub>2</sub> cartridges & air guns be kept in an ice chest during heat.

**SMALLBORE PISTOL (Camp Berry Round)**

**Target:** NRA B-3

**Distance:** 50 feet

**Course of Fire:** **Junior:** 15 shots each slow fire, and timed fire

**Intermediate:** 10 shots each slow fire, timed fire, and rapid fire

**Senior:** 10 shots each slow fire, timed fire, and rapid fire

**Position:** **Juniors:** Sitting using 2 sand bags with only the butt of the pistol and hands touching the bags, in a two-handed supported position, the barrel may NOT be touching any support.

**Intermediate:** two-handed standing

**Senior:** one-handed standing

**Time Limits:** Slow fire: 5 minutes

Timed Fire: 20 seconds per 5 shot string

Rapid Fire: 10 seconds per 5 shot string

**Equipment:** Any smallbore pistol or revolver firing the .22 rimfire long or short cartridge with a open/metallic sights only and a trigger pull no less than 2 pounds (NRA Pistol Rule 3.422).

**AIR PISTOL SILHOUETTE \* NEW IN 2021\***

**Target:** 1/10 scale metallic silhouettes

**Course of Fire:** **Junior (20 shot course)** May shoot seated with a rest

10 Pigs (10 yards)

10 Rams (12.5 yards)

**Intermediate (30 shot course)** Must shoot standing

10 Pigs (10 yards)

10 Turkeys (12.5 yards)

10 Rams (15 yards)

**Senior (40 shot course)** Must shoot standing, 1 handed

10 Chickens (10 yards)

10 Pigs (12.5 yards)

10 Turkeys (15 yards)

10 Rams (18 Yards)

All in banks of 5 targets and shooting from left to right on each bank of targets, each with a tie breaker target of the next animal smaller which must be hit in the allowed time

**Position:** Intermediates: Only standing, two-hand holds permitted but the hands and arms must be free of the body and may not touch beyond the wrists.

Juniors: may shoot seated with a rest, with only the butt of the pistol and hands touching the bags, in a two-handed supported position, the barrel may NOT be touching any support.

**Time Limits:** 30 second ready time and 2-minute firing time for each bank of 5 targets

**Scoring:** Targets knocked off their feet in order are scored as hits, those not knocked off their feet or

shot out of order are scored as misses. The animal must completely leave its feet; targets leaving their feet but remaining on the rail are considered hits. Turned targets remaining on their feet are scored as misses. Shooters will lose only one shot for a target shot out of order. In the case of missing target, the shooter must make clear to the scorer, at which target he/she will be firing on in lieu of the missing target (call your shot).

**Tie Breakers:** First tie breaker will be on the total number of a particular animal hit, starting with rams, turkeys, pigs, chickens. Second tie breaker is long run from the end. Third tie breaker is the tie breaker animal. Last tie breaker is a shoot off.

**Equipment:** Any air pistol caliber .22 or smaller equipped with any sights that do not project an image on the target and having a safe trigger, no release triggers may be used.

**Sight:** Any conventional metallic open sights. Peep style sights are allowed in this class. No optics may be used.

**\*\*\*\*\*Please note that all State rules apply for this contest.**

#### **State Resources & Rules:**

[Shooting Sports - Texas 4-H \(tamu.edu\)](http://tamu.edu)

#### **Awards:**

- **Overall Each Age Group – Buckle**
- **1<sup>st</sup> place each event/age group – Banner**
- **2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place each age group – pistol related prizes**

If you have any changes after 4-H Online closes, please let Caitlin Frederick know immediately so the schedule can be adjusted. There will be no practice on open lanes. Please notify us if you have a 4-Her who requires accommodations to participate.

Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

CC: Michael Clawson  
Shooting Task Force