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## 2021 4-H 203: GENERAL PROJECTS & SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECTS AT DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIR AND RODEO

- Juniors: 8-10 years old (by December 31, 2020)
- Intermediates: 11-13 years old (by December 31, 2020)
- Seniors: 14-18 years old (by December 31, 2020)
- What projects fall under the GENERAL PROJECT category?

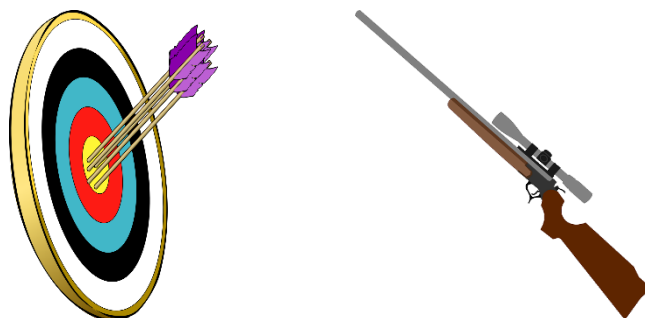
- Veterinary Science
- Horseless Horse
- Gardening
- Computer Power Unlimited Series
- Electric
- Model Rocketry
- Small Engines
- Robotics
- Entomology
- Beekeeping
- Outdoor Adventures
- Sportfishing
- Wildlife Conservation
- Ceramics
- Global Citizenship
- Leadership
- Leathercraft
- Photography
- Filmmaking
- Scrapbooking
- Woodworking
- Welding
- Visual Arts
- Cake Decorating
- Clothing Construction
- Artistic Clothing
- Foods and Nutrition
- Specialty Foods
- Food Preservation
- Heritage Arts
- Home Design & Décor



○ *Shooting Sports\* (This is a specialized General Project that has slightly different requirements)*

- What projects fall under the SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT category?

- Air Rifle
- Air Pistol
- Archery
- .22 Rifle
- .22 Pistol
- Muzzleloading
- Shotgun
- Outdoor Skills
- Western Heritage



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## GENERAL PROJECT STEPS TO SUCCESS

- To complete a **GENERAL PROJECT**
  - **Step 1)** Sign up for perspective projects in 4-H Online by **May 1<sup>st</sup>** (Or March 1<sup>st</sup> for Beekeeping)
    - May 1<sup>st</sup> is also the deadline to drop any projects. After this date, we assume you will be completing your projects listed on your profile.
  - **Step 2a)** *If you plan to participate in the Douglas County Fair and Rodeo*, sign up to participate in Exhibit Day on Fair Entry. This is known as “Fair Registration” and will **open June 1 and close June 16**. (Late entries will not be accepted). The link to sign up will be sent out as we get closer & also put in the Thursday Blast.
    - By participating in Exhibit Day, your project will be judged at the County level and has the opportunity to advance to State Fair.
  - **Step 2b)** *If you do not plan to participate in the Douglas County Fair and Rodeo*, arrange to present your project(s) to your organizational leader or 4-H Extension Agent by **August 10, 2021**.
    - These projects will not be judged and are not eligible for awards at the County level or State level.
  - **Step 3)** If you are participating in Exhibit Day (**July 24<sup>th</sup> this year**), present & turn in your General Projects. Located at the Events Center at the Douglas County Fairgrounds.
    - You have two options:
      - **A) Interview Project & Record Book**
        - Your interview time will be emailed to you in early July.
        - Interviews last about 10-15 minutes.
        - Highly recommended as this helps the judge understand the project better & also gives the 4-H member a chance to gain an important lesson on a life skill.
        - 4-H members should attend this event in business casual attire.
      - **B) Drop-off Project & Record Book (aka “Project Only”)**
        - Project(s) & Record Book(s) must be dropped off by **9am** at the Events Center on July 24<sup>th</sup>. If you cannot be here to drop off your project, please ask another 4-H member, leader or friend to do this for you.- You will find out your project placing **in-person** on **August 5, 2021** at the Douglas County Fairgrounds Event’s Center. This is where all the General Projects & Shooting Sports Projects will be displayed.

## GENERAL PROJECT EXHIBIT RULES

- When completing your projects, please follow Colorado State 4-H Exhibit Requirements. Douglas County follows these exact requirements. Link: <http://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf>
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- If you are completing multiple Shooting Sports Projects (Ex: Air Rifle, Shotgun & Archery), you are only required to make an exhibit of ONE discipline.
- Shooting Sports members will turn in ONE Record Book that contains the inventory sheet and the discipline log records for all the disciplines that are required for this project.
  - So, if you are completing Air Rifle, Shotgun & Archery – you will turn in ONE Record Book that contains the inventory and discipline logs for all three projects.

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- For Shooting Sports Projects, you can choose to complete three different types of projects:
  - **#1) Stand Alone**
    - Stand-alone items are items that are made to enhance the discipline, such as a quiver, gun case, gun stand, etc. No display boards or decorative items are allowed in the Stand-Alone Classes
    - One article which you have made as a part of the project this year. (Examples: gun stocks, decoys, quivers, but not limited to just these.) No live ammo, broadheads (ex: arrowheads), knives, functional or nonfunctional firearms or bows will be allowed to be displayed.
  - **#2) Display Board**
    - One display board illustrating something learned in the project this year. The standardized display board size of 4 ft. x 3 ft. is to be used with 4-H projects. No additional items may be included in front of display board.
    - The Douglas County Extension Office sells these boards for \$5 each.
  - *(Members can enter in both Stand Alone AND Display Board if they wish)*
  - **#3) Decorative Item**
    - Decorative items are items that are made from materials from the different disciplines but are for aesthetic value in decorating a room. All items from all the disciplines that are decorative will be in these classes.
    - One article which you have made as a part of the project this year. This item would be considered a decorative item (board with antlers, using feathers to make an item, jewelry, etc.)
- **Colorado 4-H Shooting Sports Project Exhibit Rules** (Douglas County 4-H follows these same rules. These are the same rules found on page 20: <http://co4h.colostate.edu/statefair/StateFairExhibitReq.pdf>)
  - Be sure to include the log for the discipline(s) that you are exhibiting.
  - There is one Record Book that contains the inventory sheet and the discipline log records for all the disciplines that are required for this project.
  - Display should illustrate a chosen aspect of skill areas. This is separate from the Colorado State 4-H Shooting Sports Championships. (The standardized display board size of 4 ft. x 3 ft. is to be used with 4-H projects. No additional items may be included on or in front of the display board.) No wooden display cases.
  - Regarding Colorado State Fair, Counties may enter only one exhibit per class. This means that the Champion in each class is eligible for State Fair.
  - Members may have entries in both the display board classes and the stand-alone classes.
  - No live ammo, tipped arrows (including field points, broadheads), knives, functional or nonfunctional firearms or bows will be allowed as an exhibit. Cardboard, paper cutouts or décor resembling firearms or bows are allowed for display purposes in the display or stand-alone classes.
  - Do not use the word weapon when creating your display. Make sure that there are no safety violations in your display. (Example: no earplugs, no safety glasses on a photo of a youth firing his/her gun.) Do not use pictures primarily tactical in design firearms in you display, i.e., AR platform or military type firearms.
  - The display board topics should stay in close relationship with your discipline. Please do not use topics outside the scope of your 4-H project. (Example: .22 Rifle Project should not use the topic of different types of military machine guns.)
  - Stand-alone items are items that are made to enhance the discipline, such as a quiver, gun case, gun stand, etc. No display boards or decorative items are allowed in the Stand-Alone Classes.
  - Because of limited floor space, those items that will be displayed on the floor will be a maximum size of 3 feet in width and depth and 7ft in height. The item must be stable when standing to be displayed. If an exhibit is larger than this, a notebook can be used as an exhibit showing how and what was made.



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- For those members who are exhibiting both a display board and a stand-alone, they may copy their Record Book. Each exhibit must have a Record Book. Be sure to highlight what you are exhibiting in your Record Book.
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- A new class has been added. This is a decorative item class. Items to be exhibited in this class are items that are used to decorate a room, building, etc. Be sure to look at the classes to determine where your exhibit item fits.

## GENERAL PROJECT ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Project workshops
- **Super Saturday** (Cake Decorating Contest, Speech & Demo Contests & Creative Cooks Contest)
  - **April 24, 2021**
  - Location: Douglas County Fairgrounds
  - Not required, but eligible members qualify for State Conference (June) and State Fair (August)
- **Rocket Fly Day**
  - **July 16, 2021**
  - Typical start time is 9am and ends around 1pm
  - Location: Douglas County Fairgrounds
  - Not required to “complete” Rocketry Project, but members find this a fun event to participate in!
- **Fashion Revue**
  - **August 6, 2021**
  - Start time: 11am
  - End time: 1pm
  - Location: Douglas County Fairgrounds
  - Not required to “complete” Artistic Clothing, Clothing Construction, Leathercraft or Heritage Arts Projects, but is a fun way to showcase your creations!



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## SHOOTING SPORTS PROJECT ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- **County practices**
  - Join the Facebook group & any emails to stay up to date on practice opportunities.
  - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1093097957855978/>
- **County Shoot**
  - County Shoot is not required to “complete” your Shooting Sports Project. However, it is a great competition that many SS members participate in.
  - Must have at least 3 certified practices documented on your practice card before you can participate in County Shoot. A certified practice means a 4-H certified shooting sports leader was present & leading the practice.
  - **July 15-18, 2021**
    - **July 15:** Archery, Indoor Arena at Douglas County Fairgrounds (afternoon start time)
    - **July 16:** Air Rifle & Air Pistol, Multipurpose Barn at Douglas County Fairgrounds (afternoon start time)
    - **July 17:** .22 Rifle, .22 Pistol, Western Heritage & Muzzleloading, Highlands Ranch Law Enforcement Range in Littleton (morning start time)
    - **July 18:** Shotgun, Pikes Peak Gun Club in Colorado Springs (morning start time)
- **Shooting Sports End of Year BBQ**
  - This year, it is planned for the evening of Wednesday, July 21, 2021 (Location: TBD)
  - This is when we hand out awards from County Shoot, talk about State Championships and reflect on the year.



## QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!

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