2013 Texas Teams Applicant Information
Applications due by September 23, 2012

Any active 4-H member, who is 14 years of age or older on September 1, 2012, and who meets all requirements detailed below is eligible to apply for 2013 Texas Teams to participate in the National 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational Match.

Applications for both participants and coaches will be completed online via a Google fillable form. Please use the following links to access these forms:

Participants: Click HERE or copy and paste the following into your web browser address bar:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dE5KUXhCOXFLLXR4b3I4dWtOcdnURnc6MQ#gid=0

Coaches: Click HERE or copy and paste the following into your web browser address bar:
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/viewform?formkey=dHVTQjgwVTRLdWRIvlpSkr6ZVoxTkE6MQ&ifq

Three letters of recommendation should be emailed to: tx4hnaturalresources@tamu.edu
Please DO NOT mail any part of your application or recommendation letters to the state office.

All components of the application (online form and 3 letters) must be received by September 23, 2012.

Required Information: Eligibility for membership on any state team requires experience at the state level in all of the events that compose any given discipline (see below). That experience must be documented by scores from within the past two years in each of the three areas comprising the set of events fired at the National Invitational. While scores taken from the Texas 4-H Shooting Sports Games are preferred, others may be submitted. Failure to submit these scores or to demonstrate experience in all of the individual events in a discipline will result in disqualification of the application. It is the sole responsibility of the applicant to complete their application.

Discipline: Events
Compound and Recurve Archery: FITA, Field, 3-D
Hunting: Hunter Decision Making, Wildlife ID and Management, Hunting Skills, including live fire
Muzzle Loading Rifle: Bottles and Haffner Combination, Bullseye, MZ Silhouette
Air Pistol: 10 Meter Air Pistol, Timed and Rapid Fire, Air Pistol Silhouette
Smallbore Pistol: Slow fire, Old Camp Perry Round, Smallbore Hunter’s Pistol Silhouette
Air Rifle: 10 Meter 3-Position, 10 Meter Standing, Air Rifle Silhouette
Smallbore Rifle: 50 Meter 3-Position, CMP Smallbore Sporting Rifle, Smallbore Rifle Silhouette
Shotgun: NSSA Skeet, ATA Trap, Sporting Clays (either game may be fired at nationals)
(Please visit http://www.4-hshootingsports.org for the most current National Invitational information, event specific rules, etc.)

NOTE:
1. Scores from a state level 4-H match (or an equivalent national governing body match) are required for each of the events listed for each discipline in which you are applying. This is the
applicant’s responsibility. Failure to post those scores for one or more events in a given discipline will result in disqualification from that discipline.

2. **Responses to questions must be the personal work of the applicant.** While members may collaborate on research on any topic, share research findings, discuss the questions and responses, or seek common sources for information to support them in their answers, the responses themselves must be their personal work.

3. **This is not a test of either written or verbal skills, however, grammar and spelling are important to how you represent yourself in this application.**

4. **Media Questions:** If selected as a member of the Texas Team, you would be representing not only yourself, but Texas, the Texas 4-H & Youth Development Program and Texas 4-H Shooting Sports. You may be presented with the opportunity to speak with and/or be interviewed by public media members. Many media representatives will be very positive, but often very uninformed/uneducated about 4-H and 4-H Shooting Sports. You will likely have only a few seconds to formulate an answer and must be well-prepared to field questions intelligently and effectively. Please view this section of your application as your opportunity to practice your response to potentially difficult questions.