

2021 District 1 4-H Rifle POSTAL Contest

What are Postal Leagues? Originally named "Postal Leagues" because the targets were mailed in for scoring via the U.S. Postal Service, Postal Leagues are a state-wide competitive shooting match in which participants can compete with others across the state without having to travel outside their home county. Participants complete their course of fire at the club practice over an extended designated time frame. Thus, allowing for greater flexibility of schedules and eliminating the cost of travel to an event. Following the close of the matches, scores and targets will be mailed to the District 1 4-H Office by the county extension Agent. **Targets must be mailed back to the district office and be postmarked by May 3, 2021.**

All shooting **must** be supervised by a 4-H Shooting Sports Coach certified in Rifle, as well as by a county extension agent. **AT LEAST ONE COACH & ONE AGENT, MUST BE PRESENT FOR ALL CONTEST SHOOTING.**

Registration & Score Submission Instructions

1. **March 25 – April 15, 2021 4-H Online Registration**

NO late entries will be accepted. Must register on 4-H Online by 11:59 pm on April 14th. **Registration will be \$10.**

2. **April 23 – May 2, 2021 Complete Contest Shooting.**

A certified 4-H Shooting Sports Rifle Coach and your County Extension Agent must be present for all contest shooting. Coaches and agents must verify all targets being mailed. Guns will be inspected by coaches and agents, if deemed unsafe at any point of the shoot, the gun will be removed from the line.

3. **Submitting Scores & Targets**

Pre-labeled targets will be sent to each county after registration. **You MUST use the targets sent by the district office.** Targets must be mailed to the District 1 4-H Office from the county extension offices. **Must be postmarked by May 3, 2021.**

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Resources:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0BzVRTVQGAc1hZGtaQTN6TUZ6eGc/edit>

http://texas4-h.tamu.edu/wp-content/uploads/FINAL-UPDATED-General-Rules_2019-1.pdf



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The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

General Rules

Eligibility: All 4-H members currently enrolled via 4-H Connect who are members of a 4-H Shooting Sports project are eligible to participate with the exception of those who are also members of a military or collegiate team receiving coaching.

All shooting must be witnessed by a certified 4-H Rifle Shooting Sports Coach and a County Extension Agent

Record rounds must be declared before they are shot, not selected from a series of rounds after the fact.

Age Divisions:

1. Age Requirements

Youth may participate in 4-H year from September 1st of grade three through August 31st following completion of grade twelve, with these age restrictions:

- Minimum age – 8 as of August 31, 2020 (in addition to being in the 3rd grade)
- Maximum age - 18 (as of August 31 2020)

2. Texas 4-H Member Categories

- Junior: Grades 3, 4, and 5
- Intermediate: Grades 6, 7, and 8
- Senior: Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12

Scoring: Targets will be scored after they are sent back to the district office.

Equipment: Any safe .22 rimfire rifle equipped with any safe trigger.

Sights: Metallic sights only

Firing Distance: 50 feet (indoor or outdoor)

Courses of Fire: Participants will shoot four complete courses of fire and submit four scores (one per course of fire).

- Juniors will fire three prone stages for a total of 30 record shots in 30 minutes-no exceptions. **These shots must be done consecutively. Time must be kept for each shooter.**
- Intermediates and Seniors will fire a quarter course, which is a target in each of the three positions, prone, standing, kneeling (10 shots X 3 positions) as we have done in the past. This will be done with a 1-hour time limit. **All shots, and positions must be completed on the same day. Time must be kept for each shooter.**

State Qualification: The top 3 senior teams and the top 3 individual will qualify to compete at Texas 4-H Roundup in June.