



Shotgun Shooting

Merit Badge Workbook

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Scout's Name: _____ Unit: _____

Counselor's Name: _____ Phone No.: _____ Email: _____

1. Do the following:

- ☐ f. Identify and explain each rule for safe shooting.

- a. Explain why BB and pellet air guns must always be treated with the same respect as firearms.

- b. Describe how you would react if a friend visiting your home asked to see your or your family's firearm(s).

- c. Explain the need for and use and types of eye and hearing protection.

- d. Give the main points of the laws for owning and using guns in your community and state.

- e. Explain how hunting is related to the wise use of renewable wildlife resources.

- ☐ f. So the following:

1. Explain the main points of hunting laws in your state and give any special laws on the use of guns or ammunition.

2. List the kinds of wildlife that can be legally hunted in your state.

- g. Explain to your counselor the proper hygiene guidelines used in shooting.

- h. Identify and explain three shotgun sports.

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- i. Give your counselor a list of sources that you could contact for information on firearms and their use.

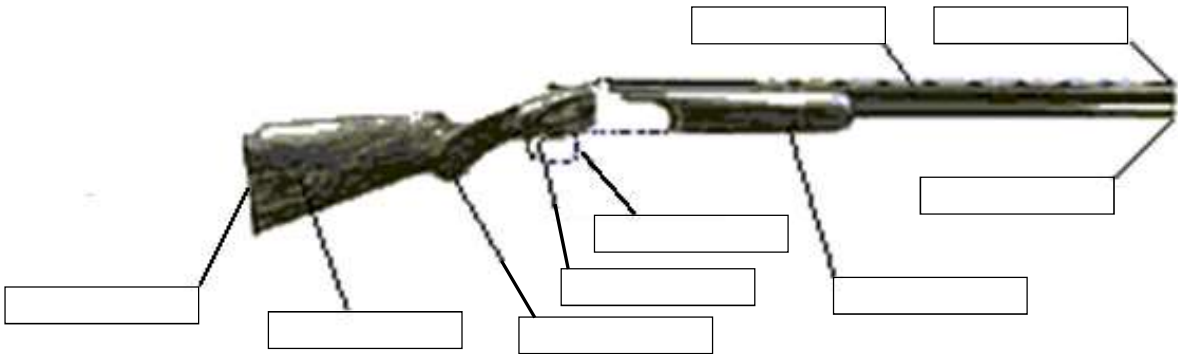
- ☐ j. Discuss what points you would consider in selecting a shotgun.

Explain what a misfire, hangfire, and squib fire are, and explain the procedures to follow in response to each.

	What is it?	Procedure to follow in response
Misfire		
Hangfire		
Squib fire		

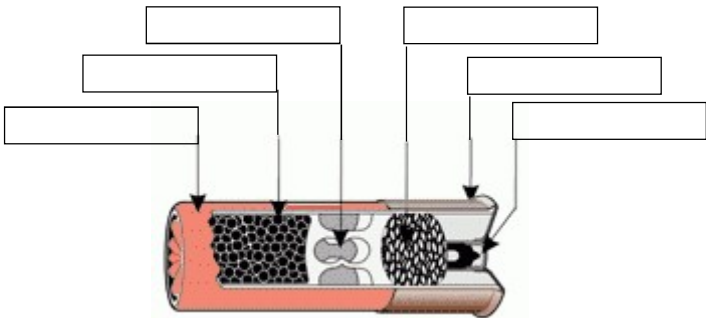
2. A. Shotgun Shooting (Modern Shotshell Type) - OPTION A

☐ a. Identify the principal parts of a shotgun, action types, and how they function.



Part Name	Function

☐ c. Identify the parts of a shotgun shell and their functions.



Part name	Function

- ☐ d. Identify the various gauges of shotguns.

Explain which one you would pick for use and why.

Gauge:

Use

Why?

Gauge:

Use

Why?

Gauge:

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Use

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