

Range Challenge 2026

Ben Delatour Scout Ranch

Scouts, Parents and Leaders,

We have an exciting weekend of planned for you. Please note the following to help us with running a successful event.

1. Fill out the Annual Health and Medical Record

- Applies to ALL participants—in basic Scouting activities such as local tours and weekend camping trips less than 72 hours in duration.

2. Cowboy Action Pistol is available to scouts that have completed 8th grade or be 14 years of age or older at the time of the event.

- **Parents/Guardians must fill out two forms giving permission for their scout to participate and use a pistol at Cowboy Actions.**
 - **SCOUT COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**
 - **Youth Handgun Permission Form**
 - **Both forms can be found at the end of this leader's guide**
 - **Scouts must have both forms on their person and present them to the Cowboy Action instructor.**

3. Bring both Field Uniforms (Class A) and Activities Uniforms (Class B) for the event

- Class A uniforms will be worn during Saturday evenings dinner
- Class B uniforms will be worn during the program events
- Class A uniforms will be worn by the color guard for opening and closing flags

4. We are looking for Troop volunteers for

- Color guards at opening and closing Flags
- Chaplain Aid to lead grace before dinner
- Songs and Skits during our Saturday Banquet

5. Adults we will need help in preparing out our Saturday Banquet

- Please contact event staff if you are able to help



Adventure West Range Challenge Ben Delatour Scout Ranch May 8-10th, 2026

What is Range Challenge?

This is a council wide event in which you will get to camp out in beautiful northern Colorado and spend the day testing your skills at Range and Target Sports. A banquet will be held Saturday night where we will recognize our top participants.

All scouts may participate in Shotgun, .22 Rifle, Archery, Tomahawks, and much more. There will also be a special Conservation Project.

Cowboy Action is available to scouts that have completed 8th grade or be 14 years of age or older at the time of the event. **A permission form must be filled out by the scout and parent or guardian and brought to the event and presented to staff before a scout is allowed to participate in Cowboy Action.**

An alternative event will be available for Scouts not participating in Cowboy Action.

Venturers/Explorer scouts may participate in all events.

Where is Range Challenge Held?

Ben Delatour Scout Ranch
2331 County Rd 68C
Red Feather Lakes, CO 80545

Who may participate?

Any registered Scout, Venturer, or Explorer.

What's the fee?

Full Weekend - \$60 which includes ammo, equipment use, camping sites, Friday night Cracker Barrel and Saturday night dinner.

Camping Only - \$35 which includes camping sites, Friday night Cracker Barrel and Saturday night dinner

Registration closes Friday, May 1st, 2026

How do I sign up?

Please register online at,
<https://scoutingevent.com/062-104321>

The number of scouts that can participate in the full challenge is capped at 64. Please register early to guarantee a spot. Additional "Camping Only" slots are available for scouts and adults.

Need more information?

E-mail rata.chair@awbsa.org - (970) 590-0026
E-mail rata.cochair@awbsa.org - (970) 988-6762



<https://awbsa.org>

Registration and Roster Submission

Registration can be made via the registration link, <https://scoutingevent.com/062-104321>

Registration closes Friday, May 1th, 2026.

All scouts may participate in Shotgun, .22 Rifle, Archery, Cowboy Action Rifle/Shotgun, Tomahawks, and Muzzle Loading. There will also be a special Conservation Project.

Cowboy Action Pistol is available to scouts that have completed 8th grade or be 14 years of age or older at the time of the event. **Original permission forms must be filled out by the scout and parent or guardian and brought to the event and presented to staff before a scout is allowed to participate in Cowboy Action.**

An alternative event will be available for Scouts not able to participate in Cowboy Action.

Event Start Times

After registration is closed, squads for each shooting sports discipline will be scheduled with event location and start times. Each squad will have eight members. If your Unit is not able to fill full squads, the event committee will combine partial squads from different Units.

All shooting events will be held Saturday.

Want to help on staff?

If you are a current NRA Instructor, NRA RSO or USA Archery Instructor, please submit your credentials to rata.chair@awbsa.org

If you would like to help with logistics, scoring, food prep, campfires, chapel, or first aid, please contact rata.cochair@awbsa.org

Headquarters

Event headquarters is located at Lions Lodge.

Arrival and Check-In

Check-in is Friday from 4:00-6:00pm at the Museum Building.

Vehicles and Parking

Parking will be in the main parking lot by the Museum. Only vehicles with PASSES will be allowed on Weaver Lake Road. Passes will be issued to the volunteers operating the event.

Camping Areas

We will be using the Camp Jeffrey campsites (see maps).

Equipment

Each Unit will need to bring regular weekend camping equipment. Units will be assigned a camping area upon arrival. Units are responsible for preparing all of their meals, except for the Saturday Banquet. You may bring your own shooting sports eye and ear protection.

Water

Water through the camp water system should be available. But all units should plan on bringing a supply of water to use at their camp site. It is important to stay hydrated. Please have a water bottle with you.

Restrooms & Latrines

Latrines will be open. Restrooms are dependent on water supply.

Fires

Subject to Ranger approval, fires are only allowed in provided fire rings. Units must observe "Leave No Trace" camping and remove all ash and partially burnt wood. **DO NOT BUILD NEW FIRE RINGS.**

Trash

Trash will be hauled out by each individual unit. Trash is not to be deposited in any dumpster on camp property due to the awakening wildlife.

Clothing and Attire

Participants should prepare for any weather conditions; hot, cold, sunny, windy or wet. All clothing must be Scouting appropriate. The Scouting America uniform is always welcome. Good shoes are a must, as all participants will be walking for several miles along the event route. **When on the ranges, NO open toed shoes are allowed. Closed toe shoes only.**

First Aid

Units are primarily responsible for their own first aid. The event staff will provide a camp health officer at the Headquarters location for medical issues beyond unit first aid. All emergencies should report immediately to the closest staff person or Headquarters.

Safety Meeting

All participants, leaders, instructors and staff are required to attend a mandatory safety briefing at Coral Rock Dining Hall Friday at 8:00pm. This will cover all range safety procedures and discipline specific instructions.

Safety wrist bands will be issued to all participants attending the safety briefing and **MUST BE** presented to the range safety officer prior to each event. Failure to do so, will disqualify you from participating in that event.

Range specific safety briefing will be held before your scheduled start time.

Cowboy Action and Hand Gun Permission Forms

Each scout participating in Cowboy Action Pistol **MUST** fill out the attached permission forms. These forms must be on your person and will be checked by the range safety officer at Cowboy Action. Failure to do so, will disqualify you from participating in the event.

Friday Night Cracker Barrel

Coral Rock Dining Hall following mandatory safety briefing.

Cleanup/Check Out

Campsites will be inspected and signed out by an event staff member prior to check out Sunday noon. Please contact headquarters prior to the awards ceremony if your unit will be checking out Saturday.

Awards Ceremony

Awards for each discipline will be announced at Saturday evening's awards ceremony.

Chapel Service

The open air Grannon Chapel is available to units for a non-denominational service. Please contact headquarters prior to service.

Event Tear Down and Cleaning

At the end of the day's events, the last group at each event will assist staff in the tear down and cleaning of equipment.

Range and Target Equipment

All equipment needed for your range and target activities will be provided.

DO NOT bring any personal firearms, ammunition, bows, arrows or throwing implements.

Personal eye & ear protection and archery arm guards & tabs/ gloves may be used if approved by the Range Instructor.

Adult leaders must wear appropriate safety equipment when on any of the ranges.

Scouting America policy does not permit concealed carry on BDSR property.

General Schedule:

Friday:

4:00-6:00pm - Arrival and Check-In
8:00pm - Mandatory Safety Meeting
9:00pm - Cracker Barrel

Saturday:

8:30am - Opening Flags
9:00am - Morning Program
11:45am - Lunch
1:00pm - Afternoon Program
5:45pm - Closing Flags
6:00pm - Dinner
7:00pm - Awards Ceremony

Sunday:

Checkout by 12:00pm

Course of Fire

All Scouts, Venturing, and Explorers may complete in .22 Rifle, Shotgun, Archery, and Cowboy Action events. BSA policy restricts Cowboy Action Pistol to those who have completed the 8th grade or who are 14 years of age or older on the day of shoot.

Group assignment and schedules will be passed out after Friday night's mandatory safety briefing. Range specific safety briefing will be held before your scheduled event. Remember to wear your wristband. You will not be allowed to participate in the event without your wrist band! Permission forms for Cowboy Action Pistol must be on your person to participate in that part of the event.

22 RIFLE (Max 200 points)

Shooters will have a 5-10 minute coached familiarization period for the function of the rifle in question. Sight in period on the left target center bullseye.

Equipment Benched Rifle Competition

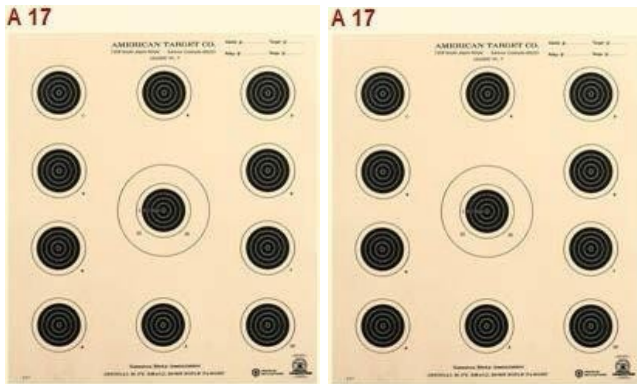
1. .22 rimfire bolt action rifle with open sights provided by the council. For practice prior to competition please consider this.
2. Open sights only.

Benched Rifle Competition

1. All shots will be from 50 feet
2. 20 record shots
 - a. 1 shot per bullseye
 - b. 10 shots per target
 - c. 20 shots total
3. Time Limit
 - a. 20 minutes for 20 shots
4. Shooting Position
 - a. Seated Bench Position.
5. Tie Breaker:
 - a. Most number of bullseyes. If no bullseyes, number of 9's, etc.

Targets

2 Separate NRA A-17



12 Gauge Shotgun (Max 200 points)

Shooters will have a 3 shot coached familiarization period for the function of the shotgun in question. All clay pigeons will be straightaway shots. Shooters will not rotate stations.

Equipment Shotgun Trap

1. 12 gauge semi-automatic shotgun provided by the council. For practice prior to competition please consider this.

Shotgun Trap

1. All shots will be from behind or equal to the thrower
2. 25 recorded shots. Each clay hit is worth 8 points.
3. Shooting Position
 - a. Standing unless other arrangements need made.
4. Tie Breaker:
 - a. Longest number of hits in a string
 - b. If a tie still exists a shoot off will be held. Scouts that hit their target moves forward in the tie breaker. Process repeats until ties are broken.

Targets

25 Clay Pigeons

Cowboy Action Shooting (Max 210 points)

Scouts will be instructed on the function of .22 revolver, .22 lever action rifle, and 12 gauge shot gun.

.22 Revolver

6 shots at designated targets

.22 Lever Action Rifle

6 shots at designated targets

12 Gauge Shot Gun

2 shots at designated targets

Score is based on hits in pistol, rifle, and shotgun. Each hit is worth 15 points. Scouts not eligible to shoot pistol, will shoot a double round of rifle. Tie breaker based on longest string of hits. Hits using pistol will have priority over hits using rifle. If a tie still exists a shoot off will be held. Cowboy Action Sheriff will designate which firearms and targets to use. Scouts that hit their target moves forward in the tie breaker. Process repeats until ties are broken.

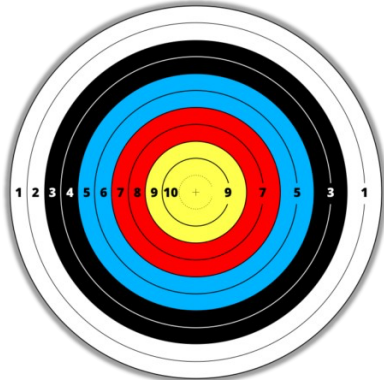
Archery (Max 200 points)

Archery will consist of 2 ends (2 rounds per flight/relay) of 5 arrows each. Points for each arrow are 2 times the points each arrow scored on the target.

Ties will be broken by the number of bullseyes. If no bullseye, the number of 10's will be compared, etc.

Targets

Standard Archery Target



Tomahawks, Throwing Knives, Atlatl (Max 216 points)

Scouts will throw 3 tomahawks in 3 rounds, and 3 throwing knives in 3 rounds for a combined total of 18 throws. Points are counted after each round for each tomahawk/knife that “sticks” in the target. There are three scoring rings, 1, 6 and 9 points.

An atlatl is a primitive tool used to throw darts with greater force and distance by using leverage. Scouts will throw 6 darts at various targets. Each target hit is worth 1, 6, or 9 points.

Ties will be broken by the longest string of scoring throws.

Muzzle Loading (Max 210 points)

Scouts will be instructed on the function and loading of a muzzle loading rifle. Scouts will take three shots. Scouts will get to load the muzzle loading rifle on their third shot. Target will consist of three scoring rings, 10, 5 and 1. Total score is multiplied by 7.

Ties will be broken by shots closest to the center of the target.

How to Get to Ben Delatour Scout Ranch

Driving Directions:

Interstate – 25 North to Wellington, Colorado.

Turn off at exit 281

- Owl Canyon Road.

Turn left on Owl Canyon

- Follow until you come to a roundabout.
- Take the first road north off the roundabout and follow it until it T's onto State road 287.

Turn RIGHT onto US-287

- Follow it until you see "The Forks" (has a very large American flag). This is 74E

Turn SLIGHT LEFT onto CR-74E

- Red Feather Lakes Rd (known as the Forks).

Continue to follow CR-74E

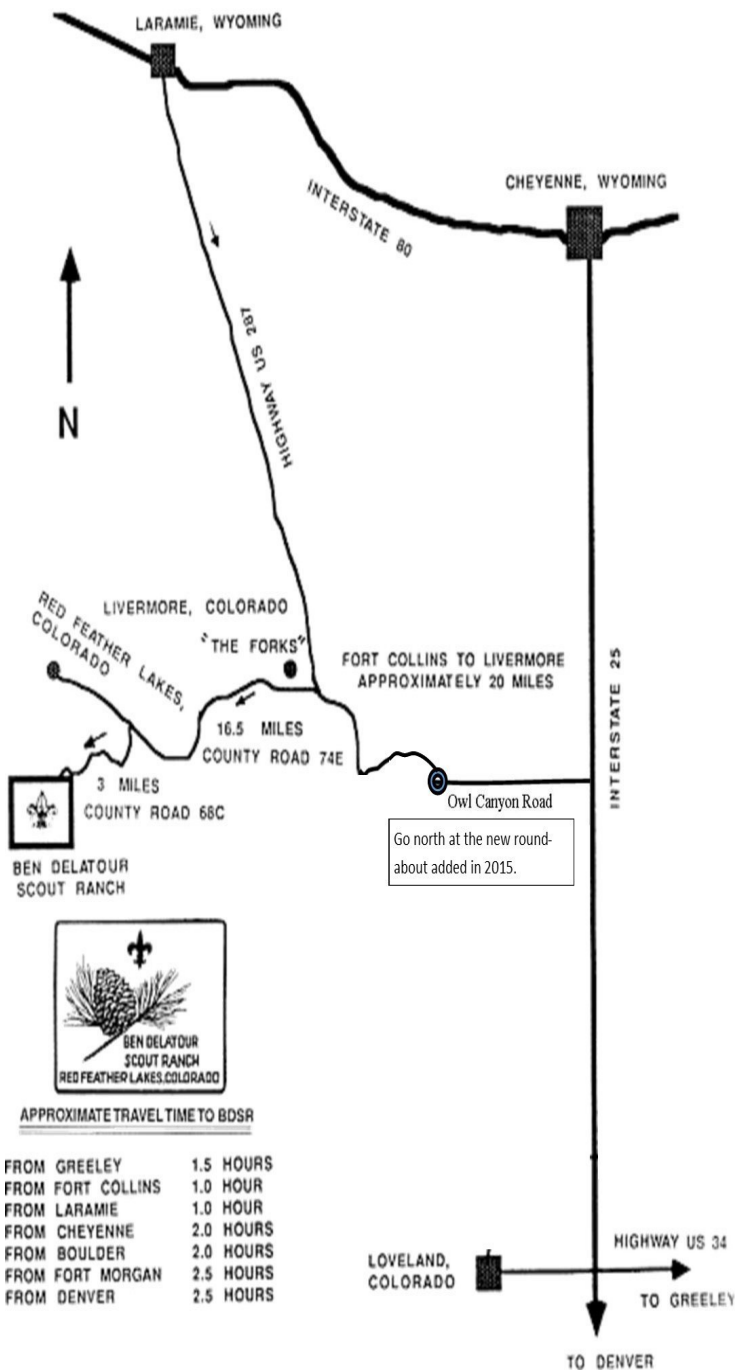
- Red Feather Lakes Rd (16.1 Miles)

Turn LEFT onto CR-68C / Boy Scout Rd

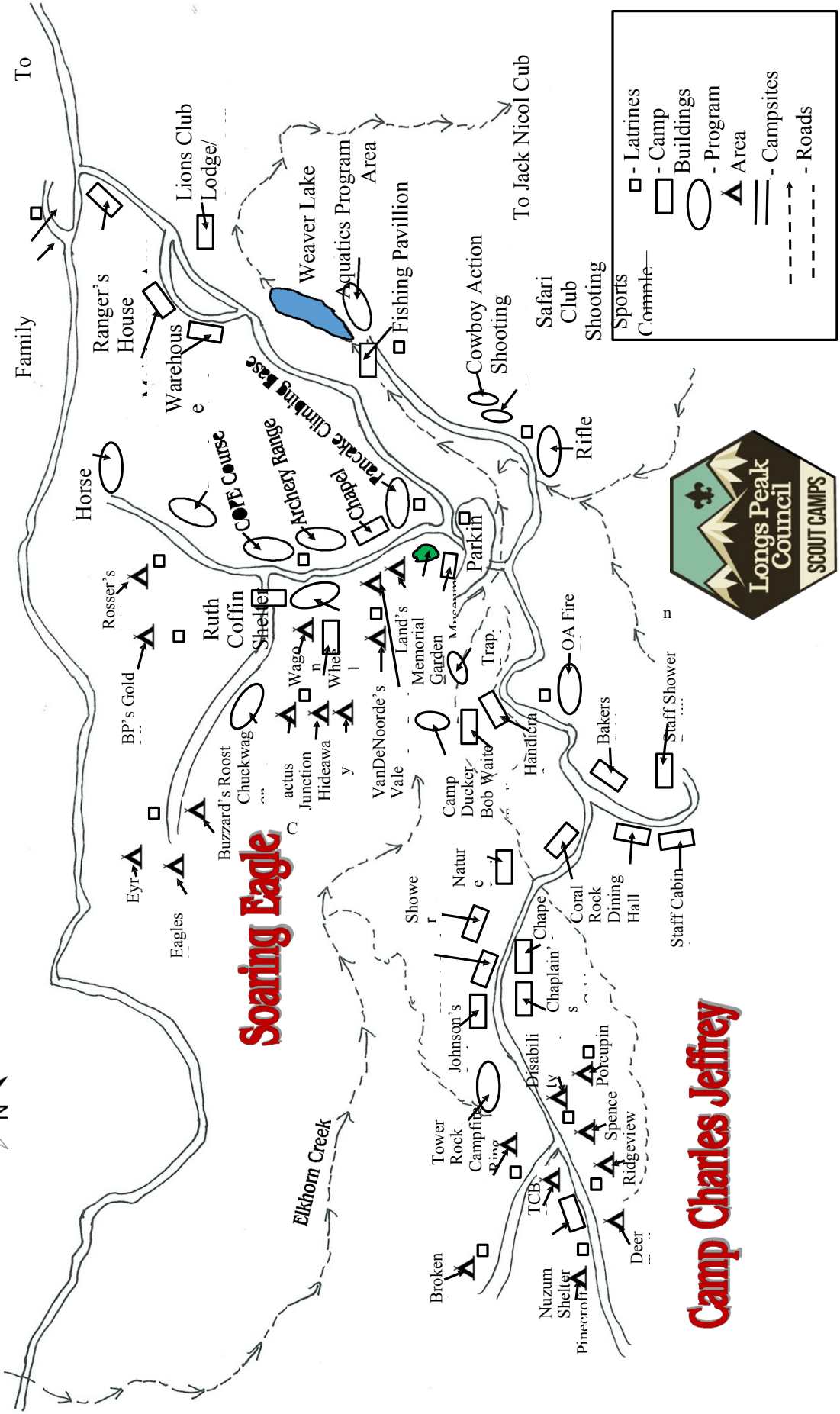
- Portions unpaved. (2.4 Miles) to main gate

Approximate Travel Time:

From Greeley	1.5 hours
From Fort Collins	1.0 hours
From Laramie	1.0 hours
From Cheyenne	2.0 hours
From Boulder	2.0 hours
From Fort Morgan	2.5 hours



Ben Delatour Scout Ranch



Camp Charles Jeffrey



**SCOUT COWBOY ACTION SHOOTING PROGRAM
PARTICIPATION AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

Ben Delatour Scout Ranch (Adventure West Council) will be conducting a Scout cowboy action shooting program. In this program, Scouts will shoot a rifle, pistol, and shotgun under the supervision of an NRA Range Safety Officer and NRA certified instructors. Scouts will be required to wear eye protection and hearing protection at all times while on the range. Scouts are expected to abide by all safety rules and the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) and rifle, pistol, and shotgun instructor(s).

I, the undersigned, give my child, _____, permission to participate in this program. I understand that participation in the activity involves a certain degree of risk. I have carefully considered the risk involved and have given consent for my child to participate in the activity. I understand that participation in the activity is entirely voluntary and requires participants to abide by the rules and standards of conduct. I release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all claims or liability arising out of this participation.

For safety, my child and I agree that he/she will do the following or he/ she will be removed from the program. I understand that any additional cost associated with participation in this program will not be refunded if my child is removed for not following the rules below.

1. Complete a range safety briefing.
2. Wear all safety gear at all times while on the range.
3. Follow all the safety rules provided in the briefing.
4. Follow the instructions of the Range Safety Officer(s) and rifle, pistol, and shotgun instructor(s).
5. Do not handle the firearms until instructed to do so by the instructor(s).
6. Is 14 years of age, or 13 and has completed the eighth grade, as of the start of the class and will be in full compliance with all local, state, and federal guidelines, including age restrictions and original equipment manufacturer standards.

Participant signature _____ Date: _____
Parent/guardian signature _____ Date: _____
Parent/guardian printed name _____ Date: _____
Home phone _____ Cell phone _____
Email address _____

Youth Handgun* Permission Form

The Youth Handgun Safety Act (<https://www.atf.gov/file/58806/download>) as included in the Gun Control Act of 1968 puts restrictions on the use and possession of handguns by youth under 18 years of age. Youth participating in BSA activities/disciplines where handguns are used must, at all times, follow all provisions of this Act. Therefore, BSA Shooting Sports instructors will require "prior written consent of the juvenile's parent or guardian who is not prohibited by Federal, State, or local law from possessing a firearm" in any setting where a handgun(s) is to be used. This written permission must be in possession of the youth or on file with the applicable instructor – even if a parent/guardian is present.

Please fill out the form below with the name of the youth, a parent's name, address, as well as their signature, and that of a witness and dates. Failure to have this document will require instructors/officials to disqualify the shooter from participation to avoid violation of federal law.

I/we (print name) _____,
parent/guardians of (print shooter's
name) _____, grant permission to
participate with a handgun in events sponsored by County, State, and BSA organizations as per
The Youth Safety Handgun Act.

Scout/Shooter Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Phone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Witness Name (print): _____

Witness Signature: _____ Date: ____/____/____

* This form is required for any rim-fire or center-fire handgun, and strongly encouraged for pellet handguns. Current BSA activities where handgun use is permissible include Cowboy Action Shooting.