Hunting Skills- Overview & Updates

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Hunting Skills Discipline

- 1 of 10 shooting sports disciplines offered in Kansas
- Led by certified instructor
- Teaches an appreciation of wildlife and conservation principles
- Helps youth learn to become ethical hunters and learn basic survival skills
- Designed to be a multi-year teaching/learning discipline
 - Build on knowledge each year



Hunting Skills Discipline

- Not a Hunters Education class
- Lessons do include information on shooting equipment for hunting
 - However, hunting skills training does <u>not</u> certify an instructor in any shooting discipline
 - All shooting disciplines must be taught by the appropriate certified instructor



Curriculum

- Curriculum- combination of classroom lessons and hands-on activities
 - 4-H Hunting Skills Lessons
 - Compass/orienteering pamphlet
 - NRA Hunters Guide





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Hunting and Outdoor Skills Member Manual

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State Match Outline

- 3 sections: Wildlife ID, Hunter Knowledge, and Compassing/Maps
 - 100 points each
- Archery, Shotgun, Small Bore Rifle- hit or miss
 - Must have shot at a HS qualifying match
- Juniors: shooting score(s) are not used in aggregate scores
- Seniors: shooting score(s) are added to aggregate scores
 - Shooting score is worth 90 points
 - Must shoot in order to be eligible for Nationals (includes 13 year old Juniors)



Qualifying Outline

- Participate in approved Hunting Skills qualifier
- Must compete in each shooting discipline at an approved Hunting Skills qualifier in order to compete in that discipline at state match
- Live fire age requirements:
 - Archery- 9 years old
 - Shotgun 10 years old
 - Small Bore Rifle 13 years old



Questions?

