



Emanuel County 4-H Project SAFE, Shotgun Participant and Parent Contract

In order for Project SAFE to be both a rewarding and safe experience, 4-H'ers must abide by the rules and regulations set by the coaches and coordinators. They are as follows:

1. This year there is a **\$150 nonrefundable registration fee for each participant. Registration is not complete until all forms are submitted and payment received.** The deadline to register is February 28, 2025, or when a maximum of 50 students register (whichever comes first).
2. All participants must have completed a hunter's safety course and **provide hunter education certification number at registration.** No exceptions.
3. Practice attendance is required. Absences must be excused in advance by the Project SAFE coordinator. A maximum of 2 practices can be made up, but must be done at the next scheduled practice.
4. Participants must follow the directions and safety standards set by the coaches, the Georgia 4-H Code of Conduct and all safety procedures. Failure to follow instructions can result in suspension from the activity with no refund of the registration fee.
5. Horseplay and other unsafe behavior will result in suspension with no refund of the registration fee.
6. In accordance with the 4-H Code of Conduct, possession or use of **alcohol or tobacco is prohibited** at 4-H Modified Trap practices and/or competitions. Violations of this may lead to 4-H'ers being sent home or being suspended from participation in 4-H events with no refund of the registration fee.
7. Teams will be designated by the coaches using the average practice scores for each participant. Tie scores will be broken at the discretion of the coaching staff. Coaches' decisions are final and are made fairly and impartially. Each participant must qualify at the district contest in order to participate in the state match.
8. 4-H'ers should not transport firearms or ammunition to and from practice sessions unless accompanied by an adult. An adult (parent or guardian) should accompany 4-H'ers to all practice sessions. **One adult per shooter will be required to assist with score keeping and cleanup of at least one practice.**
9. **All guns must be unloaded and in a case when arriving at any Project SAFE activity or function.** This rule will be strictly enforced due to safety concerns for all involved. Beginning with the first practice, any 4-H'er bringing a loaded gun to practice or a competition will NOT be allowed to shoot on the day of the incident. To be able to continue participation after the incident, the 4-H'er must meet with the Extension Agent to discuss shotgun safety.
10. Ammunition will be provided for each participant at practices and matches. **There will be no additional ammunition sold.**
11. In all circumstances, participants, parents, supporters, and coaches are responsible for their actions and upholding the standards of the Georgia 4-H and National 4-H Project SAFE Program. All of us are expected to behave in a manner suitable for the promotion of a 4-H Youth Development program, high ideals and the promotion of shooting sports as a safe and respectable recreation activity. **Respect, cooperation, self-control, self-discipline and high standards of sportsmanship are expected from everyone at all times. Anyone unable to conduct themselves with respect and good sportsmanship will be warned once, and asked to leave the practice or event, if necessary.** This applies to parents, volunteers, family members, guests, etc.

As a participant in Emanuel County Project SAFE, I have read and understand the above rules and regulations and agree to abide by them. I have also read and understand the Georgia 4-H Code of Conduct. I agree to abide by all rules and regulations regarding the Project SAFE Program or I forfeit the right to participate in project activities with no refund of the registration fee.

Signature of 4-H'er

Date

I certify that my child and I have read and understand the above rules and regulations and the 4-H Code of Conduct. I understand that in order for my child to participate in Project SAFE activities, I should accompany them to every event. If my child fails to follow the rules, they will no longer be allowed to participate in the program and will forfeit the registration fees associated with participation. I hereby release Project SAFE, Georgia 4-H and any other entity connected to the Emanuel County 4-H Project SAFE activity from liability.

Signature of Parent

Date