

Griswold Scout Reservation

2022 Shotgun Merit Badge Worksheet

Complete prior to camp and bring to first day of class.

This is not a test; it will aid in successful completion of the Shotgun Merit Badge!

These will be verified during session.

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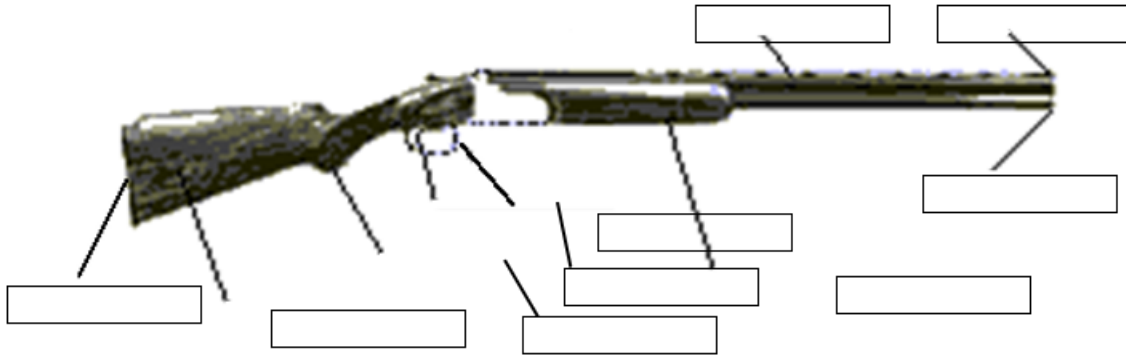
Req. 1

- 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. Explain 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. (1) Explain the main points of hunting laws in your state and give any special laws on the use of guns and ammunition.
- f. (2) List the kinds of wildlife that can be legally hunted in your state.
- g. Explain to your counselor the proper hygienic guidelines used in shooting.
- h. Identify and explain three shotgun sports. Identify places in your community where you could shoot these sports and explain how you can join or be a part of shooting sports activities.
- i. Give your counselor a list of sources that you could contact for information on firearms and their use.

Req. 2 - Shotgun Shooting

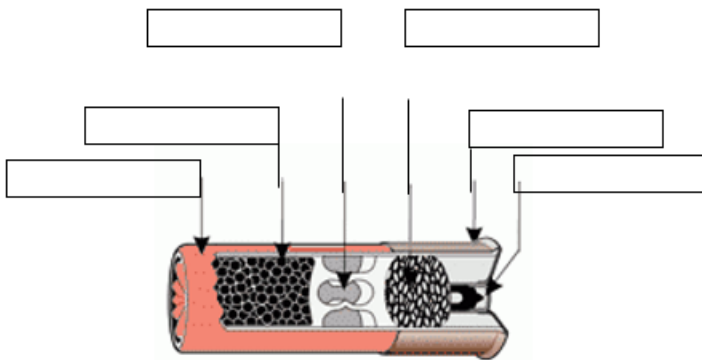
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a. Identify the principal parts of a shotgun, action types, and how they function.



b. Identify the rules for safely handling a shotgun.

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



d. Identify the various gauges of shotguns. Explain which one you would pick for use and why

e. Identify and explain the fundamentals of safely shooting a shotgun. Explain what a misfire, hangfire, and squib fire are, and explain the procedures to follow in response to each.

f. Identify and explain each rule for safely shooting a shotgun.

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- g. Demonstrate the knowledge, skills, and attitude necessary to safely shoot moving targets, using the fundamentals of shotgun shooting.

- h. Identify the materials needed to clean a shotgun

- i. Demonstrate how to clean a shotgun properly and safely.

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