

CROSSROADS OF THE WEST COUNCIL
SHOOTING SPORTS POLICY
GUIDELINE 2
INSTRUCTOR & RANGE SAFETY OFFICER

- _____ Provide instruction and supervise range operations for unit shooting activities ONLY WHEN unit leaders have fulfilled responsibilities at Guideline 1.
- _____ Follow the range SOP or use the Crossroads of the West Council Range SOP (Guidelines 8-11) if range has none. (May also use the SOP from Appendix 3 Of the current BSA Shooting Sports Manual)
- _____ Provide pre-firing safety orientation to shooters: either NRA *1st Steps* or the Approved BSA 30-minute safety briefing. This can be obtained at scouting.org
- _____ Ensure that youth shoot only the firearms permitted for their age. See paragraph G.
- _____ Coordinate level of shooting with unit leader and conduct program as outlined in *BSA Shooting Sports Manual* as shown at paragraph H of the policy.
- _____ Coordinate firing and activities with range manager for effective and safe range operations.
- _____ Ensure that ratio of instructors to shooters is at least:
- Shotgun--1 instructor per shooter
 - Rifle-----1 instructor per 8 shooters
 - Muzzle loading Rifle--1 instructor per shooter
 - Pistol----(Venturing BSA only)1 instructor per 2 shooters (1 per shooter-- level 2)
- _____ Ensure the ratio of Range Safety Officers to shooters is at least:
- Shotgun-- 1 RSO per 6 shooters
 - Rifle----- 1 RSO per 8 shooters
 - Muzzle loading Rifle--1 RSO per 8 shooters
 - Pistol----- 1 RSO per 3 shooters
- _____ Have completed BSA Youth Protection training in previous 2 years.
- _____ Recommended that NRA instructors and RSO's be 1st aid & CPR certified and have liability insurance.