GREAT SALT LAKE COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

CUB SCOUT and WEBELOS BB GUN SHOOTING SPORTS

The following pages explain the different types of BB shooting programs we offer at Cub Scout Day Camps, Resident Camps, District, and Council lead events.
NOTE: *For Cub Scout Day Camps and Resident Camps only, refer to NCAP Standard #SQ-407, which can be found at: http://www.scouting.org/ncap.aspx*

BB Gun Community Event Shooting Program

Examples. A BB gun range set up at a Community event, County or State fair, a mall, etc. For a Council or District to use to promote "adventure" and recruiting youth to the BSA. These must be Council or District sponsored events **only-** Not a Pack, Den or "unit event".

Youth: Minimum age - Tiger Cubs through Webelos (Registered or a youth of age to join).

Equipment / Ammunition: Defined as a smoothbore spring-piston or air rifle propelling shot known as "BBs". The barrel velocity is to be 350 feet per second maximum.
Ammunition: BB's only.

Participant Safety. Eye protection is required for all individuals on the range.

Participant Training / Facility set up. Five minutes reviewing the NRA 3 Rules of Gun Safety. Guns are tethered to a table and are loaded by instructors. Youth just aim at targets and fire. Bench rest position only, large bull's-eye targets with a target carrier system, resetting metallic targets, balloons, and other fun, breakable targets.

Reference page 91 in the BSA National Shooting Sports Manual for Range Layout and design information. Example of a temporary safety enclosure could be the "Crossman Portable Airgun Range" – which can be found at .www.crossman.com/easy/ranges .

Range supervision and ratio. One BSA BB Gun Rangemaster **OR** one currently certified National Camping School Shooting Sports Director **OR** an NRA Certified Rifle Instructor for every 8 shooters **AND** 1 adult supervising each Cub Scout shooter while shooting. These additional adults may be a parent or legal guardian or other responsible adult. *Refer to page 1 for Day Camp and Resident Camp ratios.*

BB Gun Open Shooting Program for fun

Purpose. Introduce and recruit Cub Scouts and Webelos into shooting sports programs. These must be Council or District events – cannot be a Pack or unit event.

Examples. A day-at-the-range event (fun shoot), NRA Day event (contact the National Rifle Association for information on NRA Day), Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program, Cub-oree, or District or Council camp weekend shooting event, are examples. A BB gun open shooting experience could be held at a BSA facility or facility that has been approved

by the Council for District or Council level activities. Examples are facilities that have held day camp or resident camps for BSA summer camping programs.

Range. A BSA approved range. Reference page 91 in the BSA National Shooting Sports manual for Range Layout information and diagram.

Training. BSA BB gun briefing taught by a BSA Rangemaster, National Camping School Shooting Sports Director or an NRA Certified Rifle Instructor**.**

Course. Bench rest, prone, or standing. Targets could be paper, resetting metallic targets, balloons, and other fun, breakable targets. You can also use the Winchester/NRA Marksmanship Qualification Program.

Refer to the BSA National Shooting Sports Manual updates for these:

BB Gun District or Council Level Competitive Shooting Sports Program

District or Council Operated Program To Teach the Belt Loop or Pin or Challenging Pin Program

REVIEW SAFETY RULES WITH CUB SCOUTS

- 1. Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction.
- 2. Always keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot.
- 3. Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.

What should a Cub Scout do if he finds a gun in another place?

- STOP!
- DON'T TOUCH!
- LEAVE THE AREA!
- TELL AN ADULT!

Before using a gun:

- Always get permission from your parent or guardian.
- Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction!
- Always have an adult present when you handle a gun.
- Know how the gun works and how to use it.
- Always be sure of your target and what is beyond the target.
- Always wear eye protection.
- Never reuse BBs.

Always be aware of local laws regarding BB Guns and Firearms and follow the Laws.

National Shooting Sports Manual Website
http://scouting.org/sitecore/content/Home/OutdoorProgram/ShootingSports.aspx