

Shotgun Shooting Merit Badge Spring 2019 Course

The Pikes Peak Council, Boy Scouts of America, with the assistance of the council Shooting Sports Committee, offers this opportunity to work on the merit badge requirements, including range time.



<http://www.pikespeakbsa.org/shootingsports>

NRA Certified Shotgun Instructors and Shotgun Shooting Merit Badge Counselors
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Event	Location	Date	Time	Fees	Deadline
Shotgun Shooting Merit Badge	Council Activity Center on Friday; Pikes Peak Gun Club on Saturday.	Friday Apr 12 Saturday Apr 13	6 - 9 pm 9 am – 2 pm	Class = \$15 Range = \$6 per round of 25 clays plus cost of shells.	Apr 10 Limited to 10 Scouts, minimum of 4

- **NOTE:** This activity requires shooting qualification on a trap range. Scouts must be physically able to safely lift and track a target with a shotgun (7.5 lbs) through the shot and recoil process 25 times per round.
- **Course Description:** This activity is focused on completing the requirements for the BSA Shotgun Shooting Merit Badge. Instruction and qualification will follow Option A (Modern Shotshell Type). Scouts must bring a blue card. Worksheets will be provided.
- Qualification requires breaking at least 12 of 25 targets in two groups of 25 shots each. The two groups do not have to be shot consecutively but the 12 targets need to be shot in a single round.
- **Friday Apr 12th – 6:00-9:00 p.m.:** Conducted at the BSA Pikes Peak Council Center located at 985 West Fillmore Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80907. Presentations, discussion, and practical exercises will be focused on safety, shotgun knowledge, shooting programs, State laws, and background shooting fundamentals. Scouts should bring pencils, water, and a light wrapped snack if desired.
- **Saturday Apr 13th – 9:00-mid-afternoon:** Conducted at the Pikes Peak Gun Club (PPGC) located off Highway 94 east of Colorado Springs. The address is 450 Franceville Coalmine Rd, Colorado Springs, CO 80929. The focus will be on shooting qualification and gun cleaning. Attendees will need to bring water/drinks, a lunch, and money for shooting fees and ammunition. (The PPGC may have light snacks to buy but do not operate a restaurant.)
- The PPGC is allowing the Scouts to shoot at the membership rates = \$6.00 a round. Ammunition costs vary for the gauge of shotgun, plan on \$7.50 a box. That is \$13.50 per round. Scouts normally have time to shoot at least two rounds. Recommend the Scouts come with at least \$30.00 to cover range fees and ammo for two rounds.
- Several shotguns will be available from the instructors. The PPGC also has adult and youth shotguns for rent for \$5.00 for the day. Scouts may use their own or a family shotgun and can bring ammunition but the guns and ammunition must comply with PPGC range rules and limitations, and approved by the BSA Range Safety Officer at the range. Personal guns and ammo will be the responsibility of the Scout and his family. The \$6.00 range fee will still be required.
- **Attire:** Scouts will be handling shotguns at both sessions. They should NOT wear their regular Scout uniform. Recommend class B, T-shirt type clothes for the classroom and appropriate weather clothes for the range.
- Ear plugs and safety glasses will be provided at the range.
- **Questions:** Send questions to Jim Mendenhall (jmesct66@gmail.com).

Register online at <http://www.pikespeakbsa.org/> or in person at BSA Pikes Peak Council, 985 W. Fillmore St., Colorado Springs, CO 80907. PH (719) 634-1584



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