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### Audio Visual Resources

The following educational materials in DVD format are available upon request to **certified instructors only**. Contact Dale Elshoff, 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator ([elshoff@msu.edu](mailto:elshoff@msu.edu)) for more information.

\*E = Elementary, A = Early Adolescent, Y = Older Youth, V = Adult & Teen Volunteer, P = Parents, S = 4-H Staffs

#### The 4-H Shooting Sports Program

This video looks at the various aspects of the program and its benefits to young and old alike. The program includes events of: hunting, archery, shotgun, rifle, black powder, and pistol.

Time: 10 minutes

Audience: A, E, Y, V, P, S\*

#### Aldo Leopold: A Prophet for All Seasons

A visually beautiful and revealing introduction to the idea of ecology and to the life and career of one of the giants of American conservation, Aldo Leopold. The video describes the progress of Leopold's thoughts from the concept of wildlife management to the deep personal reflection.

Time: 56 minutes

Audience: A, Y, V, P\*

#### Basic Rifle Shooting: A Better Way

Basic Instructions for teaching rifle shooting in a proven step-by-step method. Emphasis is placed on learning sight alignment, trigger control and sight picture from the bench position and the four shooting position.

Time: 19 minutes

Audience: Y, V\*

#### Basic Shotgun Shooting: A Better Way

Basic Instructions for teaching shotgun shooting in a proven step-by-step method. Emphasis is placed on eye dominance, eye barrel alignment, mounting the shotgun and pointing instead of aiming.

Time: 19 minutes

Audience: Y, V\*

#### Black Powder – White Smoke

This comprehensive video tape sheds light on muzzle loaders that have been a part of the American experience from colonial times to the present. It is meant to be well suited for both young and adult audiences. Topics in this video include history, powders and supplies, how to load and shoot a muzzle loader, safety when using and carrying a muzzle loader, regular cleaning and care, and coping with a misfire.

Time: 20 minutes

Audience: A, Y, V, P\*

#### Firearms Safety & the Hunter II; Shoot/Don't Shoot II; The Hunter's Path...choices in responsible hunting.

An excellent video for teaching awareness of gun and other firearms safety with some instructions on hunting and shooting. This video also introduces what to shoot and what not to shoot. There is some description of legal parameters in making a responsible choice for hunting. A great movie to start learning how to shoot. Also includes answers to questions such as: Can emotions influence hunting? or Is hunting a competitive sport?

Time: 54 minutes



Audience: A, Y, V\*

### **From Basic BB Gun to Successful Shotgun Shooting**

This video explains a step-by-step method of teaching instinctive shotgun shooting with a BB gun. Emphasis is placed on gun-ready and gun-mounted positions as well as eye-barrel alignment and pointing instead of aiming at moving targets.

Time: 17 minutes

Audience: A, Y, V\*

### **Hunter Education Program**

This video is prepared to introduce the hunter education program designed by Michigan's Department of Natural Resources. Gary Williams organizes this program and conducts classes once a year in the fall semester through MSU Extension.

Time: 5 minutes

Audience: S\*

### **John's Muzzle Loader Shooting**

An excellent teaching video for gun safety instructors. In addition to tips and techniques for accuracy, consistency and safety about black powder shooting, this video contains information about unloading a gun without shooting; casting lead balls; breath control and trigger squeeze; homemade cleaning solution; pistol, revolver and shotgun tips; flintlock ignition; muzzle loaders and shooting supplies.

Time: 38 minutes

Audience: Y, V\*

### **Kid Who Can't Miss**

A very comprehensive video designed to introduce the National Rifle Association's Shooting Program to children.

Time: 24 minutes

Audience: V\*

### **Learn Gun Safety with Eddie Eagle**

This excellent animated video, hosted by Jason Priestley, is an entertaining and effective way to teach children the important safety message that guns are not toys. The Eddie Eagle Gun Safety Program reaches over a million parents and children each year.

Time: 7 minutes

Audience: E, A, V, P, S\*

### **Leopold Education Project: Pheasants Forever**

Dedicated to the father of Wildlife ecology, Aldo Leopold, this video includes topics like conservation of land and wildlife, human abuse and spreading the awareness of the importance of wildlife through Leopold Education Project.

Time: 12 minutes

Audience: A, Y, V, P\*

### **Lethal Impact**

A learning video for growing kids which demonstrates the difference between shooting video games and real life handling of guns. There is also an emphasis on gun safety, types of guns, shooting ranges, rules of triggering and aiming. This video is designed to be used in conjunction with a gun safety course. It is not intended to constitute a gun safety lesson.

Time: 12 minutes

Audience: A, Y, V, P, S\*

### **On Targets for Fun**

Learn the fundamentals of archery from Olympic medalists, Jay Barrs and Denise Parker. Includes the following archery fundamentals: the draw, nock, set, pre-draw, anchor, aim, release, and follow-through.

Time: 25 minutes

Audience: A, Y, V\*

### **Right on Target**

This video highlights two world-class athletes, Justin Huish (Olympic Gold Medalist) and Denise Parker (Olympic Bronze Medalist) as they show how they got started and how virtually anyone—young or old—can have fun shooting archery. This video also includes ideas and demonstrations from special guests, Bo Jackson and three-time Super Bowl champion quarterback, Joe Montana.

Time: 14 minutes

Audience: A, Y, V, P, S\*

### **Today's Portable Treestands**

This video visually explains the proper and safest usage of today's variety of portable treestands. It explains the carrying and attachment of the stands, the use of the safety straps and proper climbing techniques utilizing the portable treestand and its accessories.

Time: 16 minutes  
Audience: A, Y, V, P\*

### **Wildlife Habitat and the Hunter: The Importance of Wildlife Habitat**

Explains the importance of wildlife habitat and the effects of habitat change. Shows how humans can live in harmony with wildlife. Combines animated characters with a variety of hunting scenes and wildlife footage.

Time: 25 minutes  
Audience: A, V, Y, P\*

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## **Other Learning Materials**

### **[Michigan Venison \(E0657\)](#)**

Learn the process of putting tender good-tasting venison on the dinner table, beginning with making a quick, clean kill.

( Available in PDF format from Michigan State University Extension.)

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## **Other Instructor Resources**

- [National Code of Ethics](#) (MS Word)
  - [Media Information](#) (MS Word)
  - [Risky Business](#) (Adobe Acrobat PDF)
  - [Safety Practices and Policies](#) (Adobe Acrobat PDF)
  - [Certification Application](#) (MS Word)
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## **Online Resources**

- [Amateur Trapshooting Association](#)  
Serving as the governing body for the sport of American style trapshooting, the ATA promotes and governs the sport throughout the world.
- [American Legion Junior Shooting Sports Program](#)  
Get involved in a sport where your talent can provide scholarships for future educational aspirations.
- [Civilian Marksmanship Program](#)  
Offers information about riflery camps, competitions, club information and resources
- [Michigan Hunter Education Program](#)  
Hunter education in Michigan has taught thousands of people safe hunting techniques, firearm handling and hunter ethics. Hunter safety is required if you were born after January 1, 1960 and you want to purchase any Michigan hunting license, or if you are planning an out-of-state hunting trip.
- [Michigan Youth Hunter Education Challenge](#)  
This is a program for young sportsmen and women, who have completed the Basic State Hunter Safety Course and desire to enhance their ethics, safety skills, talents, techniques and knowledge of hunting and shooting. It is designed for you to enjoy outdoor activities and is the ultimate program in mastering the hunting and shooting skills in archery, wildlife identification, shotgun, hunter safety, muzzleloading, orienteering, rifle and safety and legal issues.
- [National 4-H Shooting Sports](#)  
Learn about marksmanship, the safe and responsible use of firearms, the principles of hunting and archery, and much more. The activities of the program and the support of caring adult leaders provide young people with opportunities to develop life skills, self-worth and conservation ethics.
- [National Shooting Sports Foundation](#)  
Learn about NSSF programs and services, firearms industry issues and opportunities to hunt and shoot. As it says under our logo, the National Shooting Sports Foundation is "always shooting for more," so that today's sportsmen and those of future generations will be able to enjoy the great pastimes of hunting and shooting, as well as the fine equipment that enhances those experiences.
- [National Skeet Shooting Association and National Shooting Clays Association](#)  
Learn about these two organizations, meetings, awards and clubs in your area.
- [National Target Company](#)

Supplier of rifle, pistol and many more targets for your practicing needs.

- [National Wild Turkey Federation \(JAKES\)](#) and [Michigan Wild Turkey Federation](#)  
JAKES (R) events teach youth about the outdoors, hunting and conservation through hands-on activities, education, fellowship and family fun. Test your skills and knowledge in both indoor and outdoor learning stations including but not limited to sporting clays, shotgun patterning, black powder shooting, camping, hunting safety, archery, conservation and habitat work, turkey calling, primitive skills, fishing, and much more.
- [USA Shooting](#)  
Learn about the many youth programs available on the national and regional level.

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